







<p>Name of the Officer completing the evaluation Steve Lane</p> <p>Phone no: 07885 225972 E-mail: stvelane@monmouthshire.gov.uk</p>	<p>Please give a brief description of the aims of the proposal</p> <p>This report will allow obstructions in the Highway to be officially placed under a new policy and licencing regime. This will remove a degree of uncertainty about what a Citizen can expect.</p>
<p>Name of Service; MCC Highways Operations</p>	<p>Date Future Generations Evaluation 20/06/2016</p>


1. Does your proposal deliver any of the well-being goals below? Please explain the impact (positive and negative) you expect, together with suggestions of how to mitigate negative impacts or better contribute to the goal.

Well Being Goal	How does the proposal contribute to this goal? (positive and negative)	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
<p>A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs</p>	<p>The proposal will reduce street clutter and some of the risks associated with uncontrolled Commercial Obstructions on the Highway.</p>	
<p>A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)</p>		
<p>A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood</p>		

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<p>A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected</p>	<p>The new management procedure, this policy, will bring some certainty to the current situation, which is fragmented and does not encompass all aspects.</p> <p>Commercial Obstructions already exist, it is the proposal to formally agree / licence these Commercial Obstructions that will provided the positive impact</p> <p>Supporting retail in particular helps to sustain the prosperity of our town centres with all of the knock on benefits to employment and the sustainability of our towns as attractive places to visit and live in.</p>	<p>Reinvestment of some raised income into local signing, allowing Businesses to advertise away from their frontages or, provide business opportunities adjacent to them, but in a controlled manner will help provide a positive outcome</p>
<p>A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing</p>		
<p>A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation</p>		
<p>A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances</p>		

2. How has your proposal embedded and prioritised the sustainable governance principles in its development?

Sustainable Development Principle	How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle?	What has been done to better to meet this principle?
 <p>Long-term</p> <p>Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future</p>	<p>Ultimately bringing together existing guidance and policy into one place will simplify Consultation and fact finding with engagement of, Citizens, Business, other Authorities, CAIR, Legal, Planning, and front line Teams will ensure balance and a long term stable policy.</p>	
 <p>Collaboration</p> <p>Working together with other partners to deliver objectives</p>		
 <p>Involvement</p> <p>Involving those with an interest and seeking their views</p>	<p>There have been several rounds of consultation with many stakeholder groups as detailed in the report. These have enabled a proposal that seeks to balance the needs of a vibrant, prosperous Monmouthshire with the need to protect the highway user</p>	
 <p>Prevention</p> <p>Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse</p>	<p>Controlling the proliferation of uncontrolled obstructions will protect MCC and stakeholders, reducing risk and exposure to hazards and claims. The policy will provide a robust protocol that will ensure the following to prevent adverse outcomes</p> <p>Review of policy after year one and then as appropriate. Routine inspections to highlight hazards.</p> <p>Rigorous enforcement procedures in place that are communicated to all Staff involved in the process</p> <p>Clear / consistent guidance given to applicants</p>	

Sustainable Development Principle	How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle?	What has been done to better to meet this principle?
 <p data-bbox="147 341 315 379">Integration</p> <p data-bbox="331 213 517 400">Positively impacting on people, economy and environment and trying to benefit all three</p>	<p data-bbox="546 213 1310 363">The new regime reflects feedback from various stakeholders and seeks to balance the need for a vibrant Business Community with that of a clean safe environment for those using the Public Highway</p>	

3. Are your proposals going to affect any people or groups of people with protected characteristics? Please explain the impact, the evidence you have used and any action you are taking below.

Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Age			
Disability	The proposal will reduce street clutter and some of the risks associated with uncontrolled Commercial Obstructions on the Highway.	Positive feedback has been received to the proposal	People will be able to see, and understand, what can be expected in relation to an obstruction they may expect to encounter
Gender reassignment			
Marriage or civil partnership			
Race			
Religion or Belief			
Sex			
Sexual Orientation			
Welsh Language			

4. Council has agreed the need to consider the impact its decisions has on important responsibilities of Corporate Parenting and safeguarding. Are your proposals going to affect either of these responsibilities? For more information please see the guidance <http://hub/corporatedocs/Democratic%20Services/Safeguarding%20Guidance.docx> and for more on Monmouthshire's Corporate Parenting Strategy see <http://hub/corporatedocs/SitePages/Corporate%20Parenting%20Strategy.aspx>

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Safeguarding	No safeguarding or parenting implications are anticipated as a result of these proposals		
Corporate Parenting			

5. What evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?

Extensive consultation has taken place whilst arriving at the proposals,. This has been with local councils, chambers of commerce, and locally representatives of disabled groups (through CAIR). Individuals have also been invited to comment through a consultation process. Information about this has been provided within the policy documents, sent to local councils and brought to the attention of interested groups.

Clarity for the business and the citizen will be made. Clear licence stipulations, clearly displayed and rigorously enforced will ensure Citizens will experience a Highway with reduced clutter that will help fulfill MCC Duty to assert and protect the rights of the Public to the use and enjoyment of any Highway for which they are the Highway authority.

A need for Businesses to advertise is evident, they are doing so in an uncontrolled way at present. Business's were keen, during consultation to provide a way forward that provides clarity and consistency . the policy has taken into account their concern at the cost of such a scheme. These concerns have been adressed in this proposal.

The desire for a street scene clear of all obstruction was seen as a desire by Representatives of Disabled groups (CAIR), although a need for consistency and clarity was viewed as a more achievable aim

Evidence, from other Authorities, means we will be undertaking control, licencing and enforcement in a similar way. Fees and charges are also at or substantially below those made by many of the Authorities.

6. SUMMARY: As a result of completing this form, what are the main positive and negative impacts of your proposal, how have they informed/changed the development of the proposal so far and what will you be doing in future?

Clarity for the business and the citizen will be main achievement.

Safe guarding the Highway user, protecting them from hazards while protecting MCC from risk make this policy worth while

Guidance and Licencing will affect business flexibility and fees will affect their budgets, these have been mitigated by proposing single, one off, administration fee for A boards and low fees for other business use.

Investigation into charges made by other Authorities in this area have been made and the policy reflects the needs for Business to flourish

7. Actions. As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, if applicable.

What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible	Progress
Review Policy once accepted	Review after year one and then as required or when changes are required	Highways Operations Manager	

8. Monitoring: The impacts of this proposal will need to be monitored and reviewed. Please specify the date at which you will evaluate the impact, and where you will report the results of the review.

The impacts of this proposal will be evaluated on:

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