

Equality Impact Assessment Screening Form – 2017/8

Please ensure that you refer to the Screening Form Guidance while completing this form. If you would like further guidance please contact the Access to Services team (see guidance for details).

Section 1

Which service area and directorate are you from?

Service Area: Planning and City Regeneration

Directorate: Place

Q1(a) WHAT ARE YOU SCREENING FOR RELEVANCE?

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| Service/ Function <input type="checkbox"/> | Policy/ Procedure <input type="checkbox"/> | Project <input type="checkbox"/> | Strategy <input type="checkbox"/> | Plan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Proposal <input type="checkbox"/> |
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(b) Please name and describe here:

Name: Draft Gower AONB Design Guide, Review No 1, Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG).

Description: The draft SPG has been prepared in support of the Local Development Plan (LDP) to assist the determination of planning applications located within and outside but may impact upon, the Gower AONB.

The draft SPG is an update of the existing Gower AONB Design Guide which was adopted as SPG to the previous development plan, the Unitary Development Plan, in 2011. The Design Guide has therefore been updated to reflect national planning policy and guidance and policies contained within the adopted LDP.

The SPG is a draft for public consultation. Following public consultation, the document will be reviewed and amended where appropriate (in-line with Welsh Government planning guidance) before being presented to Planning Committee for approval to be adopted as planning guidance.

It should be noted that the SPG does not introduce new policy, it provides clarification and further guidance on the relevant policies set out in the LDP, which have been subject to EqlA and Examination by the Planning Inspectorate.

Q2(a) WHAT DOES Q1a RELATE TO?

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| Direct front line service delivery <input type="checkbox"/> (H) | Indirect front line service delivery <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (M) | Indirect back room service delivery <input type="checkbox"/> (L) |
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(b) DO YOUR CUSTOMERS/CLIENTS ACCESS THIS...?

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| Because they need to <input type="checkbox"/> (H) | Because they want to <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (M) | Because it is automatically provided to everyone in Swansea <input type="checkbox"/> (M) | On an internal basis i.e. Staff <input type="checkbox"/> (L) |
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Q3 WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL IMPACT ON THE FOLLOWING...

| | High Impact (H) | Medium Impact (M) | Low Impact (L) | Don't know (H) |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Children/young people (0-18) → | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Older people (50+) → | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Any other age group → | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Disability → | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Race (including refugees) → | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Asylum seekers → | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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| Gypsies & travellers | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Religion or (non-)belief | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Sex | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Sexual Orientation | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Gender reassignment | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Welsh Language | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Poverty/social exclusion | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Carers (inc. young carers) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Community cohesion | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Marriage & civil partnership | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Pregnancy and maternity | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Q4 WHAT ENGAGEMENT / CONSULTATION / CO-PRODUCTIVE APPROACHES WILL YOU UNDERTAKE?

Please provide details below – either of your planned activities or your reasons for not undertaking engagement

The draft SPG document will be subject to a 6 week period of consultation, which is an integral part of the process towards adoption as a formal planning guidance to inform decisions (as set out by Welsh Government planning guidance for preparing SPG). It is anticipated that the consultation will be carried out during April and June 2020.

The consultation will enable Councillors, the public, stakeholders and other interested parties to make their views and contribute to the final version of the guidance. The aim is to ensure that there is a broad consensus of support for its objectives. It will be important to emphasise during the consultation that the SPG document cannot, under planning legislation, introduce new policy but is instead an opportunity to augment what is already in the adopted LDP policies.

The public and stakeholder consultation process will make use of a variety of consultation methods to raise awareness and maximise the involvement of the community, including:

- articles in the local media;
- a public drop-in consultation afternoon/evening at the Civic Centre for the public and stakeholders to attend (where Officers will be available to explain the draft document and invite feedback);
- targeted email consultation of local planning agents and specific organisations related to the Gower AONB;
- All information will be readily available at the Civic Centre and Killay, Pennard and Oystermouth libraries.
- The consultation will be hosted on a Council web page where consultation forms were available for those who wished to comment.

All comments received will be recorded, evaluated and, where appropriate, fed into the revised final version of the SPG document. A full detailed schedule of representations will be published.

A report setting out any amendments made to the SPG resulting from the public consultation will be presented to Members, at which time Members will be asked to approve the final version as adopted SPG.

Q5(a) HOW VISIBLE IS THIS INITIATIVE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC?

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| High visibility <input type="checkbox"/> (H) | Medium visibility <input type="checkbox"/> (M) | Low visibility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (L) |
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**(b) WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL RISK TO THE COUNCIL'S REPUTATION?
(Consider the following impacts – legal, financial, political, media, public perception etc...)**

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| High risk <input type="checkbox"/> (H) | Medium risk <input type="checkbox"/> (M) | Low risk <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (L) |
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Q6 Will this initiative have an impact (however minor) on any other Council service?

Yes No **If yes, please provide details below**

Q7 HOW DID YOU SCORE?
Please tick the relevant box

MOSTLY H and/or M → HIGH PRIORITY → **EIA to be completed**
Please go to Section 2

MOSTLY L → LOW PRIORITY / NOT RELEVANT → **Do not complete EIA**
Please go to Q8 followed by Section 2

Q8 If you determine that this initiative is not relevant for an EIA report, you must provide a full explanation here. Please ensure that you cover all of the relevant protected groups.

An Equality Impact Assessment Screening has been undertaken and it has identified low impacts. The draft SPG seeks to support LDP policies by providing detailed information for planning officers and developers on the assessment of planning applications located within, and on the edge of, the Gower AONB. This will ensure clear, consistent and transparent decision making. The LDP policies have already been subject to EqIA and are based on a comprehensive, and up to date evidence base, which have been found sound by the Planning Inspectorate.

This draft SPG will be subject to a 6 week public consultation period, in which key stakeholders and the public will have the opportunity to comment on the contents of the draft document. Following public consultation, the document will be reviewed and amended where appropriate (in-line with Welsh Government planning guidance) before being presented to Planning Committee for approval to be adopted as planning guidance. Public consultation and engagement is a central element of producing planning guidance.

Section 2

NB: Please email this completed form to the Access to Services Team for agreement before obtaining approval from your Head of Service. Head of Service approval is only required via email – no electronic signatures or paper copies are needed.

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| Screening completed by: | |
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| Job title: | Senior Planning Officer |
| Date: | 21/1/2020 |
| Approval by Head of Service: | |
| Name: | Phil Holmes |
| Position: | Head of Service |
| Date: | |