

## EQIA Submission – ID Number

### Section A

**EQIA Title**

Kent County Council Vehicle Parking Standards

**Responsible Officer**

David Joyner - GT TRA

**Approved by (Note: approval of this EqIA must be completed within the EqIA App)**

Tim Read - GT TRA

### Type of Activity

**Service Change**

No

**Service Redesign**

No

**Project/Programme**

No

**Commissioning/Procurement**

No

**Strategy/Policy**

Strategy/Policy

**Details of other Service Activity**

No

### Accountability and Responsibility

**Directorate**

Growth Environment and Transport

**Responsible Service**

Highways & Transportation

**Responsible Head of Service**

Tim Read - GT TRA

**Responsible Director**

Haroona Chughtai - GT TRA

### Aims and Objectives

The currently adopted Kent County Council Vehicle Parking Standards are outdated. These standards are used as guidance and in recommendations on planning application consultation responses issued by KCC as local highway authority. A new policy document has been developed based on surveys, data, best practice and Government policy changes and is recommended for adoption.

The aim of the standards is to get the right number of parking spaces and layout of parking provision in new developments to the benefit of the residents and users and in accordance with Government policies.

The outcome of adoption of the updated Vehicle Parking Standards is expected to have a positive impact in terms of equalities as the proposals promote access by all users of vehicles and particularly for disabled drivers and disabled cyclists who will benefit from more generous provision.

### Section B – Evidence

**Do you have data related to the protected groups of the people impacted by this activity?**

Yes

**It is possible to get the data in a timely and cost effective way?**

Yes
<b>Is there national evidence/data that you can use?</b>
Yes
<b>Have you consulted with stakeholders?</b>
Yes
<b>Who have you involved, consulted and engaged with?</b>
The updated Vehicle Parking Standards were informed by reviews of user surveys undertaken at development sites over a several years.
The intention to update the standards was reported to the Kent Planning Officers Group.
The Vehicle Parking Standards were included within the consultation process for the Kent Design Guide which was available on-line during 2023.
<b>Has there been a previous Equality Analysis (EQIA) in the last 3 years?</b>
No
<b>Do you have evidence that can help you understand the potential impact of your activity?</b>
Yes
<b>Section C – Impact</b>
<b>Who may be impacted by the activity?</b>
<b>Service Users/clients</b>
No
<b>Staff</b>
No
<b>Residents/Communities/Citizens</b>
Residents/communities/citizens
<b>Are there any positive impacts for all or any of the protected groups as a result of the activity that you are doing?</b>
Yes
<b>Details of Positive Impacts</b>
The aim of the standards is to get the right number of parking spaces and layout of parking provision in new developments to the benefit of the residents and users and in accordance with Government policies.
Parking for all types of vehicle are considered seeking a balance between the need to provide an appropriate parking provision, to ensure the safe operation of the public highway and to encourage travel by sustainable modes which tend to have a higher proportion of users with protected characteristics such the young for cycling, the young, females and the old for public transport.
Disabled drivers and disabled cyclists will benefit from more generous provision included in revised layout plans within the document.
<b>Negative impacts and Mitigating Actions</b>
<b>19. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Age</b>
<b>Are there negative impacts for age?</b>
No
<b>Details of negative impacts for Age</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Mitigating Actions for Age</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Responsible Officer for Mitigating Actions – Age</b>
Not Applicable
<b>20. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Disability</b>

<b>Are there negative impacts for Disability?</b>
No
<b>Details of Negative Impacts for Disability</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Mitigating actions for Disability</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Responsible Officer for Disability</b>
Not Applicable
<b>21. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Sex</b>
<b>Are there negative impacts for Sex</b>
No
<b>Details of negative impacts for Sex</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Mitigating actions for Sex</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Responsible Officer for Sex</b>
Not Applicable
<b>22. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Gender identity/transgender</b>
<b>Are there negative impacts for Gender identity/transgender</b>
No
<b>Negative impacts for Gender identity/transgender</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Mitigating actions for Gender identity/transgender</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Gender identity/transgender</b>
Not Applicable
<b>23. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Race</b>
<b>Are there negative impacts for Race</b>
No
<b>Negative impacts for Race</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Mitigating actions for Race</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Race</b>
Not Applicable
<b>24. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Religion and belief</b>
<b>Are there negative impacts for Religion and belief</b>
No
<b>Negative impacts for Religion and belief</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Mitigating actions for Religion and belief</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Religion and Belief</b>
Not Applicable
<b>25. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Sexual Orientation</b>
<b>Are there negative impacts for Sexual Orientation</b>
No
<b>Negative impacts for Sexual Orientation</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Mitigating actions for Sexual Orientation</b>

Not Applicable
<b>Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Sexual Orientation</b>
Not Applicable
<b>26. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Pregnancy and Maternity</b>
<b>Are there negative impacts for Pregnancy and Maternity</b>
No
<b>Negative impacts for Pregnancy and Maternity</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Mitigating actions for Pregnancy and Maternity</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Pregnancy and Maternity</b>
Not Applicable
<b>27. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Marriage and Civil Partnerships</b>
<b>Are there negative impacts for Marriage and Civil Partnerships</b>
No
<b>Negative impacts for Marriage and Civil Partnerships</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Mitigating actions for Marriage and Civil Partnerships</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Responsible Officer for Marriage and Civil Partnerships</b>
Not Applicable
<b>28. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Carer's responsibilities</b>
<b>Are there negative impacts for Carer's responsibilities</b>
No
<b>Negative impacts for Carer's responsibilities</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Mitigating actions for Carer's responsibilities</b>
Not Applicable
<b>Responsible Officer for Carer's responsibilities</b>
Not Applicable