# EQIA Submission – ID Number Section A

#### **EQIA Title**

Kent Street and Malling Road Junction Improvements

#### **Responsible Officer**

Sebastian Bures - GT TRA

## Type of Activity

**Service Change** 

No

**Service Redesign** 

No

Project/Programme

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**Commissioning/Procurement** 

No

Strategy/Policy

No

**Details of other Service Activity** 

No

## **Accountability and Responsibility**

#### **Directorate**

**Growth Environment and Transport** 

**Responsible Service** 

Road Safety and Active Travel Group

**Responsible Head of Service** 

Tim Read - GT TRA

**Responsible Director** 

Haroona Chughtai - GT TRA

#### **Aims and Objectives**

Background: The junction has very poor visibility for vehicles wishing to turn out onto the A228 Malling Road. The existing carriageway width makes it very tight when large vehicles pass each other, any incidents on this route can cause a high-level of disruption to the surrounding road network.

Aim: The scheme aims to improve vehicle turning movements in and out of Kent Street, and provide pedestrian and cycling facilities crossing and running along Malling Road

The proposals promote access by all users and abilities.

## Section B – Evidence

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

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

Yes

Is there national evidence/data that you can use?

Yes

Have you consulted with stakeholders?

Yes

Who have you involved, consulted and engaged with?

- Local KCC Member
- Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council
- Businesses in the immediate vicinity
- Mereworth Parish Council
- Kings Hill Parish Council
- Residents in the immediate vicinity
- Residents from the wider surrounding area, including Kings Hill and Mereworth
- Road users, including haulage companies
- Statutory highway consultees
- Tregothnan Estate (owner of adjacent private land)

## Has there been a previous Equality Analysis (EQIA) in the last 3 years?

Yes

#### Do you have evidence that can help you understand the potential impact of your activity?

Yes

## Section C - Impact

#### Who may be impacted by the activity?

#### **Service Users/clients**

Service users/clients

Staff

Staff/Volunteers

#### **Residents/Communities/Citizens**

Residents/communities/citizens

## Are there any positive impacts for all or any of the protected groups as a result of the activity that you are doing?

Yes

#### **Details of Positive Impacts**

Enhanced access for pushchair and wheelchairs by installing a new crossing point. Upgrades to also include a wider footway and cycleway to enhance access for users.

Young and less confident cyclists will also be catered for by provision of additional facilities not currently available.

New crossing points will have tactile paving to aid visually impaired people.

Traffic signal control will aid road users who are less confident at the junction.

## **Negative impacts and Mitigating Actions**

19. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Age

## Are there negative impacts for age?

Yes

#### **Details of negative impacts for Age**

Implementation of traffic signals will cause delay to traffic travelling along the A288 Malling Road. Many users of public transport are older and this could negatively impact these users.

#### **Mitigating Actions for Age**

Delays are likely to impact a few minutes at most. Side roads will be vehicular activated control to reduce red timings on main route. Unable to fully mitigate delays however improved pedestrian crossings and access will allow for better access to walking and wheeling users at the junction along this route.

#### Responsible Officer for Mitigating Actions - Age

Sebastian Bures

## 20. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Disability

#### Are there negative impacts for Disability?

No. Note: If Question 20a is "No", Questions 20b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval

#### **Details of Negative Impacts for Disability**

Not Completed

#### Mitigating actions for Disability

Not Completed

## **Responsible Officer for Disability**

Not Completed

#### 21. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Sex

#### Are there negative impacts for Sex

No. Note: If Question 21a is "No", Questions 21b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval

## **Details of negative impacts for Sex**

**Not Completed** 

## Mitigating actions for Sex

Not Completed

#### **Responsible Officer for Sex**

Not Completed

#### 22. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Gender identity/transgender

## Are there negative impacts for Gender identity/transgender

No. Note: If Question 22a is "No", Questions 22b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval

#### Negative impacts for Gender identity/transgender

Not Completed

#### Mitigating actions for Gender identity/transgender

Not Completed

## Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Gender identity/transgender

Not Completed

#### 23. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Race

#### Are there negative impacts for Race

No. Note: If Question 23a is "No", Questions 23b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval

#### **Negative impacts for Race**

Not Completed

#### Mitigating actions for Race

Not Completed

## **Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Race**

Not Completed

#### 24. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Religion and belief

#### Are there negative impacts for Religion and belief

No. Note: If Question 24a is "No", Questions 24b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval

#### **Negative impacts for Religion and belief**

Not Completed

#### Mitigating actions for Religion and belief

Not Completed

## Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Religion and Belief

**Not Completed** 

#### 25. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Sexual Orientation

#### Are there negative impacts for Sexual Orientation

No. Note: If Question 25a is "No", Questions 25b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval

## **Negative impacts for Sexual Orientation**

Not Completed

#### **Mitigating actions for Sexual Orientation**

Not Completed

#### **Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Sexual Orientation**

Not Completed

#### 26. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Pregnancy and Maternity

## Are there negative impacts for Pregnancy and Maternity

Yes - Add details of the negative impacts and mitigations.

#### **Negative impacts for Pregnancy and Maternity**

Implementation of traffic signals will cause delay to traffic travelling along the A288 Malling Road. This could affect journey times and impact on pregnancy emergency care.

#### Mitigating actions for Pregnancy and Maternity

Delays are likely to impact a few minutes at most. Side roads will be Vehicular activated control to reduce red timings on main route. Unable to fully mitigate delays fully however improved pedestrian crossings and access will allow for better access to walking and wheeling users at the junction along this route.

## Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Pregnancy and Maternity

Sebastian Bures

## 27. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Marriage and Civil Partnerships

## Are there negative impacts for Marriage and Civil Partnerships

No. Note: If Question 27a is "No", Questions 27b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval

#### **Negative impacts for Marriage and Civil Partnerships**

Not Completed

## Mitigating actions for Marriage and Civil Partnerships

Not Completed

## **Responsible Officer for Marriage and Civil Partnerships**

Not Completed

#### 28. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Carer's responsibilities

#### Are there negative impacts for Carer's responsibilities

No. Note: If Question 28a is "No", Questions 28b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval

#### **Negative impacts for Carer's responsibilities**

Not Completed

#### Mitigating actions for Carer's responsibilities

Not Completed

## **Responsible Officer for Carer's responsibilities**

**Not Completed**