

# Equality Impact Assessment Form

## 1. Persons responsible for this assessment:

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<b>Directorate: Environment</b>	<b>Date of Assessment: 24/12/2010</b>

## 2. Name of the policy, service, strategy, procedure or function:

<b>Is this new or an existing one? Revised (please delete as appropriate)</b> Gloucestershire's Local Transport Plan 2011-2026. (LTP3) Will replace existing Local Transport Plan which runs from 2006 – 2011 (LTP2).
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## 3. Briefly describe its aims and objectives

Providing a safe and sustainable transport network within Gloucestershire. To achieve this we are proposing four main themes that we aim to deliver:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A greener, healthier Gloucestershire</li><li>• Sustainable economic growth</li><li>• A safer secure transport system</li><li>• Good access to services</li></ul>
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## 4. Who is intended to benefit from it and in what way?

All those who live and work in Gloucestershire by providing a safe and sustainable transport system to enable them to access the services and travel to the destinations they need to, whilst not putting a disproportionate burden on the council tax payer or adversely affecting the environment or peoples health.
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## 5. What outcomes are expected?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A greener, healthier Gloucestershire</li><li>• Sustainable economic growth</li><li>• A safer secure transport system</li><li>• Good access to services</li></ul>
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**6. Have you consulted on this policy, service, strategy, procedure or function?**

Yes

**Details of consultation**

First stage of consultation to obtain peoples views on transport was held between November 2009 and February 2010.

The second stage of consultation was held between July and October 2010. This was full public and stakeholder consultation.

**7. What evidence has been used for this assessment: eg Research, previous consultations, MAIDEN?**

Transport Studies including:-

- Central Severn Vale Transport Study
- Gloucester and Cheltenham Connectivity (DaSTS) Study

Responses to the consultation.

Government Guidance on Best Practice on a number of transport issues and themes.

**8. Could a particular group be affected differently in either a negative or positive way?**

Please evidence that you have used the Consultation toolkit and planning template <http://staffnet/index.cfm?articleid=5203>

	Negative	Positive	Neutral	Evidence
<b>Age</b>		*	*	Proposals to simplify the bus fares system to provide consistency throughout the county on when child fares will be charges  The County will be taking over the Concessionary fares system from the District Councils in April 2011. Consultation is currently being held on the new scheme, which will be conformed in February 2011.  A review of supported Public Transport services is currently being undertaken. It is unclear what effect this will have.
<b>Disability</b>			*	People with disabilities may be more dependent on public transport, community transport and taxi services. LTP3 mentions the need to review the provision of these services, especially in rural areas, with provision of good quality, frequent bus services on main routes, supported by community transport and taxi services in rural areas. This is intended to maintain or improve

			*	access to services.  LTP3 does not propose any changes in terms of access to transport vehicles. Any detailed changes as a result of specific operational service reviews will be subject to an EIA by GCC and the transport operators.
<b>Gender</b>			*	There is no specific reference to gender in the draft LTP3. It is not foreseen that any of the proposed policies will have negative or positive impacts on gender.
<b>Race including Gypsy &amp; Traveller</b>			*	There is no specific reference to race in the draft LTP3. It is not foreseen that any of the proposed policies will have negative or positive impacts.
<b>Religion or Belief</b>			*	There is no specific reference to race in the draft LTP3. It is not foreseen that any of the proposed policies will have negative or positive impacts.
<b>Sexual Orientation</b>			*	There is no specific reference to sexual orientation in the draft LTP3. It is not foreseen that any of the proposed policies will have negative or positive impacts..
<b>Transgender</b>			*	There is no specific reference to transgender in the draft LTP3. It is not foreseen that any of the proposed policies will have negative or positive impacts..
<b>Other groups: eg Rural Isolation, Long term unemployed, Deprivation Health Inequality</b>			*	People in these other group categories may be more dependent on public transport, community transport and taxi services. LTP3 mentions the need to review the provision of these services, especially in rural areas, with provision of good quality, frequent bus services on main routes, supported by community transport and taxi services in rural areas. This is intended to maintain or improve access to services.  Any specific changes that take place to individual service provision will be subject to an EIA specific to those changes.
<b>Community Cohesion</b>	<p><b>Describe how the proposed activity, policy, strategy, service, procedure or function will contribute to Community Cohesion.</b></p> <p><b>You will need to consider;</b></p> <p><b>Is there equality between those who will and won't benefit from the proposal?</b></p> <p><b>Are there strong relationships between groups and communities in the area affected and will the proposed action promote positive relationships?</b></p> <p><b>Does the proposal bring groups / communities into increased contact with each other</b></p>			<p>By maintaining a good road network and providing the means for people to access services and travel to employment opportunities this does provide the opportunity for contact between groups and communities.</p>

9. If you have identified a negative impact in question 8, what actions have you undertaken or do you plan to undertake to lessen or negate this impact?

Please indicate whether these actions will be carried forward into level 2 or level 3 business plans.

Action(s):	How will this action be Monitored/Evaluated	When will policy / service / strategy / procedure / function be reviewed?	Carried to Level 2?	Carried to Level 3?
			Y/N	Y/N

**Declaration**

We are satisfied that an Impact Assessment has been carried out on this policy, service, strategy, procedure or function \* (delete those which do not apply) and where a negative impact has been identified, actions have been developed to lessen or negate this impact.

We understand that the Equality Impact Assessment is required by the County Council and that we take responsibility for the completion and quality of this assessment

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Date: 24/12/2010

Role: Transport Planning Manager

Countersigned by Head of Service



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Date: 4<sup>th</sup> January 2010

Date for Review: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011

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