

Cyngor Sir Powys County Council Impact Assessment (IA)



The integrated approach to support effective decision making

This Impact Assessment (IA) toolkit incorporating Welsh Language, Equalities, Well-being of Future Generations Act, Sustainable Development Principles, Communication and Engagement, Safeguarding, Corporate Parenting, Community Cohesion and Risk Management supporting effective decision making and ensuring compliance with respective legislation. Please read the accompanying guidance before completing the form.

Service Area	HTR	Head of Service	Nigel Brinn	Strategic Director	Paul Griffiths	Portfolio Holder	Liam Fitzpatrick
Policy / Change Objective / Budget Saving	Introduce charging in public car parks that are currently free to use.						
Outline Summary	The Medium Term Financial Strategy 2015-18 placed a requirement to introduce permit charging on identified Council owned parking areas where parking is currently free. This was not achieved during 2015-16 and has thus been rolled forward to 2016-17. Cabinet on the 20 December 2016 approved the making of a Traffic Order following consultations to introduce charges within 9 car parks. However following the elections in May 2017 and the formation of a new Cabinet an alternative financial review of the proposal was undertaken. This revision is therefore to propose not implementing the previous Cabinet's decision and not introduce the charges at this time.						

1. Version Control (services should consider the impact assessment early in the development process and continually evaluate)

Version	Author	Job Title	Date
1	Tony Caine	Traffic and Travel Manager	30/08/2017

2. How does your policy / change objective / budget saving impact on the council's strategic vision?

Council Priority	How does the policy / change objective impact on this priority?	Inherent Judgement <small>Please select from drop down box below</small>	What will be done to better contribute to positive or mitigate any negative impacts?	Residual Judgement <small>Please select from drop down box below</small>	Source of Outline Evidence to support judgement
Services delivered for less	This would maintain existing arrangements	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Supporting people in the community	Residents and visitors using the Identified car parks would continue to utilise them for free	Good		Choose an item.	

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Developing the economy	Whilst charging could potentially lead to reduction in the number of visitors maintain their free status would not have any impact upon existing situation.	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Learning	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	

3. How does your policy / change objective / budget saving impact on the Welsh Assembly's well-being goals?

Well-being Goal	How does the policy / change objective contribute to this goal?	Inherent Judgement Please select from drop down box below What will be done to better contribute to positive or mitigate any negative impacts?	Residual Judgement Please select from drop down box below Source of Outline Evidence to support judgement
A prosperous Wales: An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.	Whilst introducing charges could potentially result in some users considering more sustainable modes of transport and encourage active travel for short journeys as opposed to making the journey by car, maintain their free status may have a negative impact upon this. However since charges would impact greater on those of low income and may affect people's choice in entering employment within the affected towns maintaining them as free car parks would not impact upon this.	Neutral	Choose an item.
A resilient Wales: A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example climate change).	No impact	Neutral	Choose an item.
A healthier Wales: A society in which people's physical and mental well-being is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood.	Introducing charges may result in some users considering more sustainable modes of transport and encourage active travel for short journeys as opposed to making the journey by car. This may therefore support the objectives of the Active Travel [Wales] Act 2013 to encourage people to leave their cars behind and walk/cycle where suitable to do so. Abandoning the charges will therefore have no change upon this goal over existing arrangements.	Neutral	Choose an item.

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A Wales of cohesive communities: Attractive, viable, safe and well-connected Communities.	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
A globally responsible Wales: A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being.	Introducing charges may result in some users considering more sustainable modes of transport and encourage active travel for short journeys as opposed to making the journey by car. This could have assisted in reducing carbon emissions reducing our carbon footprint. Reversing the decision to charge will maintain existing levels of usage and thus CO2 emissions would remain the same	Neutral		Choose an item.	
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving recreation.					
<i>Opportunities for persons to use the Welsh language</i>	Signage and P+D machines would be bilingual allowing users to use Welsh. Abandoning the charges will remove this ability since the signs/machine will not be installed.	Poor		Choose an item.	
<i>Treating the Welsh language no less favourable than the English language</i>	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
<i>Opportunities to promote the Welsh language</i>	Signage and P+D machines would be bilingual thus promoting the language. Abandoning the charges will remove this ability since the signs/machine will not be installed.	Poor		Choose an item.	
<i>Welsh Language impact on staff</i>	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
<i>People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation.</i>	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
A more equal Wales: A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances (including their socio economic background and circumstances).					

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Age	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Disability	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Gender reassignment	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Marriage or civil partnership	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Race	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Religion or belief	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Sex	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Sexual Orientation	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Pregnancy and Maternity	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	

4. How does your policy / change objective / budget saving impact on the council's other key guiding principles?

Principle	How does the policy / change objective impact on this principle?	Inherent Judgement Please select from drop down box below	What will be done to better contribute to positive or mitigate any negative impacts?	Residual Judgement (after mitigation) Please select from drop down box below	Source of Outline Evidence to support judgement
Sustainable Development Principle (5 ways of working)					
Long Term: <i>The importance of balancing short-term needs with the need to safeguard the ability to also meet long-term needs.</i>	Abandoning the charges may affect the ability to keep the facility fully maintained to a high standard. It will also remove control within the car park limiting how it is utilised.	Poor		Choose an item.	

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Collaboration: Acting in collaboration with any other person (or different parts of the body itself) that could help the body to meet its well-being objectives.	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Involvement (including Communication and Engagement): The importance of involving people with an interest in achieving the well-being goals, and ensuring that those people reflect the diversity of the area which the body serves.	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Prevention: How acting to prevent problems occurring or getting worse may help public bodies meet their objectives.	The introduction of charges may have increased inconsiderate or illegal parking within the surrounding area and thus have an increased call for enforcement by the Police to take action for obstruction or dangerous parking. Displaced vehicles may have migrated on street in residential areas reducing availability for those residents and their visitors. Abandoning the charges will not see this occurring.	Good		Choose an item.	
Integration: Considering how the public body's well-being objectives may impact upon each of the well-being goals, on their other objectives, or on the objectives of other public bodies.	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	

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Preventing Poverty: Prevention, including helping people into work and mitigating the impact of poverty.	The charging may have impacted greater on those of low income and may affect people's choice in entering employment within the affected towns. Abandoning the charges will mean this will not occur	Good	Annual or seasonal permits are available for use in all long stay car parks. These offer substantial discounts to regular users over the daily charges. Additionally residents within a qualifying zone will be able to purchase cheaper residents permits at £65 equating to £1.25 per week.	Neutral	
Safeguarding: Preventing and responding to abuse and neglect of children, young people and adults with health and social care needs who can't protect themselves.	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Corporate Parenting: Enabling our looked after children to fulfil their potential.	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	
Impact on PCC Workforce	No impact	Neutral		Choose an item.	

5. Achievability of Policy / Change Objective / Budget Saving?

Impact on Service / Council	Risk to delivery of Policy / Change Objective / Budget Saving	Inherent Risk
Low	Low	Low

6. What are the risks to service delivery or the council following implementation of this Policy / Change Objective / Budget Saving?

Description of risks
Reduced income and not achieving savings identified in the MTFS

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Judgement (to be included in service risk register)		
Very High Risk	High Risk	Medium Risk
		Low Risk
Mitigating Actions		LOW RISK
		Residual Risk (after mitigation)
Does the Policy / Change Objective / Budget Saving have potential to impact on another service area?		
Potentially, the savings identified within the MTFs will not be met or contributed to. However income predictions show income is exceeding the target and therefore should meet this requirement already from within the service.		

7. Overall Summary and Judgement of this Impact Assessment?

Outline Assessment (to be inserted in cabinet report)	Cabinet Report Reference:
Whilst the reversal of the decision to implement charges may have some positive and negative aspects it is essentially maintaining the current situation and therefore has no overall impact.	

8. Is there additional evidence to support the Impact Assessment (IA)?

What additional evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?
none

9. On-going monitoring arrangements?

What arrangements will be put in place to monitor the impact over time?
Monitor car park income
Please state when this Impact Assessment will be reviewed.
12 months after implementation of the decision.

10. Sign Off

Position	Date
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Service Manager:	Tony Caine		26/09/2017
Head of Service:	Nigel Brinn		20/10/2017
Strategic Director:	Paul Griffiths		25/10/2017
Portfolio Holder:	Liam Fitzpatrick		3/11/2017

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