

APPENDIX 6

Impact Assessment - First Stage

1. Details of the initiative

Initiative description and summary: To assess and evaluate an application to register a public footpath over the railway footbridge between Footpath No.20 and the A4109 in Seven Sisters
Service Area: Legal Services
Directorate: Finance and Corporate Services

2. Does the initiative affect:

	Yes	No
Service users	x	
Staff		x
Wider community	x	
Internal administrative process only	x	

3. Does the initiative impact on people because of their:

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible	Don't Know	Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence)/How might it impact?

Age		x				The effect of the proposed registration of the footbridge as a public footpath would be to ensure the public have the right to use a convenient short cut.
Disability		x				The proposed registration of the footbridge would be to give long term assurance to the general public that the bridge will continue to provide a useful amenity and short cut. However it has no impact on this protected characteristic.
Gender Reassignment		x				The proposed registration of the footbridge would be to give long term assurance to the general public that the bridge will continue to provide a useful amenity and short cut. However it has no impact on this protected characteristic.
Marriage/Civil Partnership		x				The proposed registration of the footbridge would be to give long term assurance to the general public that the bridge will continue to provide a useful amenity and short cut. However it has no impact on this protected characteristic.
Pregnancy/Maternity		x				The proposed registration of the footbridge would be to give long term assurance to the general public that the bridge will continue to provide a useful amenity and short cut. However it has no impact on this protected characteristic.

Race		x				The proposed registration of the footbridge would be to give long term assurance to the general public that the bridge will continue to provide a useful amenity and short cut. However it has no impact on this protected characteristic.
Religion/Belief		x				The proposed registration of the footbridge would be to give long term assurance to the general public that the bridge will continue to provide a useful amenity and short cut. However it has no impact on this protected characteristic.
Sex		x				The proposed registration of the footbridge would be to give long term assurance to the general public that the bridge will continue to provide a useful amenity and short cut. However it has no impact on this protected characteristic.
Sexual orientation		x				The proposed registration of the footbridge would be to give long term assurance to the general public that the bridge will continue to provide a useful amenity and short cut. However it has no impact on this protected characteristic.

4. Does the initiative impact on:

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible	Don't know	Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence used) / How might it impact?
People's opportunities to use the Welsh language		x				The proposal does not affect the ability for using the Welsh Language as it relates to access rights
Treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English		x				The proposal does not affect the ability for using the Welsh Language as it relates to access rights

5. Does the initiative impact on biodiversity:

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible	Don't know	Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence) / How might it impact?
To maintain and enhance biodiversity		x				The proposal has no affect on biodiversity given it is concerned with recognising existing access rights
To promote the resilience of ecosystems, i.e. supporting protection of the wider environment, such as air quality, flood alleviation, etc.		x				The proposal has no affect on biodiversity given it is concerned with recognising existing access rights

6. Does the initiative embrace the sustainable development principle (5 ways of working):

	Yes	No	Details
Long term - how the initiative supports the long term well-being of people	x		The initiative supports the long term wellbeing of people by ensuring that modification orders are correctly introduced and implemented only when they can be justified and that resources are appropriately used in the provision of legal services to the Council and therefore the wider community.
Integration - how the initiative impacts upon our wellbeing objectives	x		The initiative will further allow the focusing of existing human and financial resources upon the 3 wellbeing objectives by ensuring that modification orders are correctly introduced and implemented only when they can be justified and that resources are appropriately used in assessing and evaluating them.
Involvement - how people have been involved in developing the initiative	x		The initiative builds upon the consultation and evidence gathering with all the stakeholders concerned, before coming to a recommendation.
Collaboration - how we have worked with other services/organisations to find shared sustainable solutions	x		This Authority has ensured all those who have an interest in this initiative have been given an opportunity to provide their views and any evidence they considered relevant.
Prevention - how the initiative will prevent problems occurring or getting worse	x		This initiative will reconcile the question over whether such access rights exist for the public.

7. Declaration - based on above assessment (tick as appropriate):

A full impact assessment (second stage) is not required	
Reasons for this conclusion	
<p>Based upon the above assessment a second stage impact assessment is not required as the initiative does not negatively impact on any of the protected characteristics, or the Welsh Language , or biodiversity and embraces the sustainable development principle. The report is giving effect to the consequences of such long use of this footbridge so that the public may continue to enjoy their right to use the bridge.</p>	

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