

Impact Assessment - First Stage

1. Details of the initiative

Initiative description and summary: Hackney Carriage Stands Adoption
Service Area: Legal Regulatory Services
Directorate: Chief Executives

2. Does the initiative affect:

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

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			✓			The proposal to adopt hackney carriage (“taxi”) stands in accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, is simply replicating what is already in place under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. To the general public, there will appear to be no change to existing taxi stand provisions, but the adoption of taxi stands under the LG(MP) Act 1976, will allow better enforcement and regulation of their use.
Disability			✓			
Gender Reassignment			✓			
Marriage/Civil Partnership			✓			
Pregnancy/Maternity			✓			
Race			✓			
Religion/Belief			✓			

Sex			✓			
Sexual orientation			✓			

4. Does the initiative impact on:

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible		Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence used) / How might it impact?
People's opportunities to use the Welsh language		✓				The proposal is to adopt taxi stands, this does not impact upon the use of the Welsh Language.
Treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English		✓				The proposal is to adopt taxi stands, this does not impact upon the use of the Welsh Language.

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		✓				The proposal is to adopt taxi stands, this does not impact upon biodiversity.

To promote the resilience of ecosystems, i.e. supporting protection of the wider environment, such as air quality, flood alleviation, etc.		✓				The proposal is to adopt taxi stands, this does not impact upon the resilience of ecosystems.
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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	✓		Taxis play an important part in the night time economy and efficient and effective taxi stands are essential to promote public safety. By adopting taxi stands under the LG(MP)Act 1976, officers will have greater powers to regulate taxis using the stands and greater enforcement powers against those that unlawfully park and obstruct them.
Integration - how the initiative impacts upon our wellbeing objectives	✓		Taxis play an important part in the night time economy and efficient and effective taxi stands are essential to promote public safety. By adopting taxi stands under the LG(MP)Act 1976, officers will have greater powers to regulate taxis using the stands and greater enforcement powers against those that unlawfully park and obstruct them.
Involvement - how people have been involved in developing the initiative	✓		The Licensing Authority has informally engaged with the trade and there are statutory consultation requirements involved in adopting taxi stands.

Collaboration - how we have worked with other services/organisations to find shared sustainable solutions	✓		The Licensing Authority has worked with the highways department to identify the most suitable location for taxi stands.
Prevention - how the initiative will prevent problems occurring or getting worse	✓		By adopting taxi stands under the LG(MP)Act 1976, officers will have greater powers to enforce against unlawful parking and obstruction of the taxi stands. By working with the Police and Parking Enforcement, it is hoped that the taxi stands will effectively, offering those who use taxis in the daytime and night time a safe place to be picked up and dropped off.

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

A full impact assessment (second stage) is not required	✓
Reasons for this conclusion	
This report is to consider the adoption of taxi stands in accordance with the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976. It is proposed that taxi stands be appointed at the existing locations which already have traffic orders in place under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. This does not have a negative effect on any of the protected characteristics, welsh language, nor biodiversity.	

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