

Equality Impact Assessment



Hampshire
County Council

Guidance for Residents for On-Street Electric Vehicle Charging in Hampshire

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Description of current service/policy

This is a new policy to support Hampshire residents without off-street parking conveniently charge their electric vehicles at home.

Geographical impact: All Hampshire

Description of proposed change

Currently there is no specific policy on residential on-street electric vehicles charging, with an existing general highway license process used. A new policy will reflect the anticipated increase in electric vehicle ownership by providing a more appropriate mechanism going forward.

Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? No

There is a preference for home charging for electric vehicles due in part to the added convenience and in part because residents can take advantage of the lowest domestic off-peak tariffs available.

As such it is felt that consultation on a process to reflect this preference is not necessary. The policy will provide simple and straightforward guidance to make it easier for residents to charge on-street outside their properties where appropriate, while existing highway powers will continue to provide enforcement powers where on-street charging is not appropriate.

| Statutory considerations | Impact | Mitigation |
|---|---------------|-------------------|
| Age: Neutral | | |
| Disability: Neutral | | |
| Sexual orientation: Neutral | | |
| Race: Neutral | | |
| Religion and belief: Neutral | | |
| Gender reassignment: Neutral | | |
| Gender: Neutral | | |
| Marriage and civil partnership: Neutral | | |

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| Pregnancy and maternity: Neutral | | |
| Other policy considerations | Impact | Mitigation |
| Poverty: Neutral | | |
| Rurality: Neutral | | |

Neutrality statement (if all considerations have a neutral impact)

The policy will make it easier for people without off-street parking to charge an electric vehicle. However, residents of multi-occupancy dwellings and/or in urban locations with controlled parking (regulations or designated bays away from property) will not generally be able to charge an electric vehicle on-street in the same way. These residents are not adversely affected by the policy, but are not provided with the same opportunity. Within this group will be lower income households.

Any other information