

Equality Impact Assessment

Name of project/proposal	Revised Community Transport Operating Model
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Description of Service / Policy

In partnership with other funders, mainly district councils, the County Council has awarded contracts to provide a network of Dial-a-Ride and Call and Go services across Hampshire. Schemes provide some 120,710 individual passenger trips per annum. 2.3. The Council also provides annual funding of £284,494 (including £42,954 provided by other funding partners) to Minibus Group Hire Schemes in Hampshire.

Geographical impact* All Hampshire

Description of proposed change

A new operating model is proposed against which community transport services commissioned by the County Council could be provided in the future.

Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? Yes

An engagement process has taken place with key stakeholders which included community transport operators who provide contracted services to the County Council and district, parish and town councils who contribute towards the cost of these services. This has formed part of an on-going dialogue that the County Council has with these key stakeholders in relation to these community transport services.

Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

Statutory considerations

	Impact
Age	Neutral
Disability	Neutral
Sexual Orientation	Neutral
Race	Neutral
Religion and Belief	Neutral
Gender Reassignment	Neutral
Gender	Neutral
Marriage and civil partnership	Neutral

Pregnancy and Maternity Neutral

Other policy considerations

Poverty Neutral

Rurality Neutral

Neutrality Statement As the proposal will not amend existing arrangements for service users at this stage there should be no impact upon those with protected characteristics. This is because the proposed revised operating model for community transport is primarily concerned with how the County Council commissions community transport services in the future and not about the level of service which will be provided to end users. A user engagement process will take place with service users in the Fareham and Gosport areas and this will inform the design of tenders for the proposed procurement exercise for this area and future contract awards. Each element of the operating model which is being proposed will also be subject to its own impact assessment as it is designed and implemented

Additional Information