

Appendix B

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| Name of item being assessed: | Revised Statement of Community Involvement |
| Version and release date of item (if applicable): | N/A |
| Owner of item being assessed: | Bryan Lyttle |
| Name of assessor: | Bryan Lyttle/Paula Amorelli |
| Date of assessment: | 28 August 2014 |

1. What are the main aims of the item? (What does the item try to achieve?)

To demonstrate how the Council will involve the whole community in the preparation of planning policy documents and in the consideration of planning applications.

2. What are the results of your research?

Note which groups may be affected by the item. Consider how they may be affected and what sources of information have been used to determine this. (Please demonstrate consideration of all strands – Age, Disability, Gender Reassignment, Marriage and Civil Partnership, Pregnancy and Maternity, Race, Religion or Belief, Sex and Sexual Orientation.)

| Group Affected | What might be the effect? | Information to support this |
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| Gypsy and Travellers | <p>The SCI sets out the policy for involving the community including difficult to reach groups such as gypsy and travellers.</p> <p>These groups can be disenfranchised from the planning process. Through the measures outlined in the SCI, engagement with these groups can help to provide some reassurance.</p> | Appendix C to the report (Revised Statement of Community Involvement) |
| Elderly, young mothers and parents with children. | <p>These groups can be particularly concerned with the health aspects to new waste facilities.</p> <p>Through the measures outlined in the SCI, engagement with these groups can help to provide some reassurance.</p> | Appendix C to the report (Revised Statement of Community Involvement) |
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Further comments relating to the item:

No negative effects.

The Revised SCI is based on the fundamental principles of inclusiveness and equality for all. It acknowledges that people suffer from exclusion and can be hard to reach for

a variety of reasons. In addition, it acknowledges that although some types of people or groups may be small in actual numbers, they could be disproportionately affected by planning policies and decisions. The SCI does not set out in detail how every 'hard to reach group' will be engaged in the planning process as the exact nature of the Council's consultation will vary and will depend on the nature of the document being produced and the stage the organisation is at in the preparation of that document. As each planning document is produced it is taken to Planning Policy Task Group who confirm that the consultation processes proposed are appropriate for that particular item.

3. What actions will be taken to address any negative effects?

| Action | Owner | By When | Outcome |
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4. What was the final outcome and why was this agreed?

(Was the item adjusted, rewritten or unchanged? Refer to page 15 of *Meeting the Equality Duty in Policy and Decision Making* for more information.)

N/A

5. What arrangements have you put in place to monitor the impact of this decision?

N/A

6. What date is the Equality Impact Assessment due for Review?

N/A

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