

EQIA Submission – ID Number

Section A

EQIA Title

Kent Street and Malling Road Junction Improvements

Responsible Officer

Sebastian Bures - GT TRA

Type of Activity

Service Change

No

Service Redesign

No

Project/Programme

Project/Programme

Commissioning/Procurement

No

Strategy/Policy

No

Details of other Service Activity

No

Accountability and Responsibility

Directorate

Growth Environment and Transport

Responsible Service

Road Safety and Active Travel Group

Responsible Head of Service

Tim Read - GT TRA

Responsible Director

Haroona Chughtai - GT TRA

Aims and Objectives

Background: The junction has very poor visibility for vehicles wishing to turn out onto the A228 Malling Road. The existing carriageway width makes it very tight when large vehicles pass each other, any incidents on this route can cause a high-level of disruption to the surrounding road network.

Aim: The scheme aims to improve vehicle turning movements in and out of Kent Street, and provide pedestrian and cycling facilities crossing and running along Malling Road

The proposals promote access by all users and abilities.

Section B – Evidence

Do you have data related to the protected groups of the people impacted by this activity?

Yes

It is possible to get the data in a timely and cost effective way?

Yes

Is there national evidence/data that you can use?

Yes

Have you consulted with stakeholders?

Yes

Who have you involved, consulted and engaged with?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local KCC Member • Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council • Businesses in the immediate vicinity • Mereworth Parish Council • Kings Hill Parish Council • Residents in the immediate vicinity • Residents from the wider surrounding area, including Kings Hill and Mereworth • Road users, including haulage companies • Statutory highway consultees • Tregothnan Estate (owner of adjacent private land)
Has there been a previous Equality Analysis (EQIA) in the last 3 years?
Yes
Do you have evidence that can help you understand the potential impact of your activity?
Yes
Section C – Impact
Who may be impacted by the activity?
Service Users/clients Service users/clients
Staff Staff/Volunteers
Residents/Communities/Citizens Residents/communities/citizens
Are there any positive impacts for all or any of the protected groups as a result of the activity that you are doing?
Yes
Details of Positive Impacts
Enhanced access for pushchair and wheelchairs by installing a new crossing point. Upgrades to also include a wider footway and cycleway to enhance access for users. Young and less confident cyclists will also be catered for by provision of additional facilities not currently available. New crossing points will have tactile paving to aid visually impaired people. Traffic signal control will aid road users who are less confident at the junction.
Negative impacts and Mitigating Actions
19. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Age
Are there negative impacts for age?
Yes
Details of negative impacts for Age
Implementation of traffic signals will cause delay to traffic travelling along the A288 Malling Road. Many users of public transport are older and this could negatively impact these users.
Mitigating Actions for Age
Delays are likely to impact a few minutes at most. Side roads will be vehicular activated control to reduce red timings on main route. Unable to fully mitigate delays however improved pedestrian crossings and access will allow for better access to walking and wheeling users at the junction along this route.
Responsible Officer for Mitigating Actions – Age
Sebastian Bures
20. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Disability
Are there negative impacts for Disability?

No. Note: If Question 20a is "No", Questions 20b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval
Details of Negative Impacts for Disability
Not Completed
Mitigating actions for Disability
Not Completed
Responsible Officer for Disability
Not Completed
21. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Sex
Are there negative impacts for Sex
No. Note: If Question 21a is "No", Questions 21b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval
Details of negative impacts for Sex
Not Completed
Mitigating actions for Sex
Not Completed
Responsible Officer for Sex
Not Completed
22. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Gender identity/transgender
Are there negative impacts for Gender identity/transgender
No. Note: If Question 22a is "No", Questions 22b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval
Negative impacts for Gender identity/transgender
Not Completed
Mitigating actions for Gender identity/transgender
Not Completed
Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Gender identity/transgender
Not Completed
23. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Race
Are there negative impacts for Race
No. Note: If Question 23a is "No", Questions 23b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval
Negative impacts for Race
Not Completed
Mitigating actions for Race
Not Completed
Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Race
Not Completed
24. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Religion and belief
Are there negative impacts for Religion and belief
No. Note: If Question 24a is "No", Questions 24b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval
Negative impacts for Religion and belief
Not Completed
Mitigating actions for Religion and belief
Not Completed
Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Religion and Belief
Not Completed
25. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Sexual Orientation
Are there negative impacts for Sexual Orientation

No. Note: If Question 25a is "No", Questions 25b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval
Negative impacts for Sexual Orientation
Not Completed
Mitigating actions for Sexual Orientation
Not Completed
Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Sexual Orientation
Not Completed
26. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Pregnancy and Maternity
Are there negative impacts for Pregnancy and Maternity
Yes - Add details of the negative impacts and mitigations.
Negative impacts for Pregnancy and Maternity
Implementation of traffic signals will cause delay to traffic travelling along the A288 Malling Road. This could affect journey times and impact on pregnancy emergency care.
Mitigating actions for Pregnancy and Maternity
Delays are likely to impact a few minutes at most. Side roads will be Vehicular activated control to reduce red timings on main route. Unable to fully mitigate delays fully however improved pedestrian crossings and access will allow for better access to walking and wheeling users at the junction along this route.
Responsible Officer for mitigating actions for Pregnancy and Maternity
Sebastian Bures
27. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Marriage and Civil Partnerships
Are there negative impacts for Marriage and Civil Partnerships
No. Note: If Question 27a is "No", Questions 27b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval
Negative impacts for Marriage and Civil Partnerships
Not Completed
Mitigating actions for Marriage and Civil Partnerships
Not Completed
Responsible Officer for Marriage and Civil Partnerships
Not Completed
28. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Carer's responsibilities
Are there negative impacts for Carer's responsibilities
No. Note: If Question 28a is "No", Questions 28b,c,d will state "Not Applicable" when submission goes for approval
Negative impacts for Carer's responsibilities
Not Completed
Mitigating actions for Carer's responsibilities
Not Completed
Responsible Officer for Carer's responsibilities
Not Completed