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	<i>(Please note: the word 'policy' is used as shorthand for strategy policy function or financial decision)</i>		
Policy Title	Frontiers of the Roman Empire (Antonine Wall) World Heritage Site Supplementary Guidance		
	The aim, objective, purpose and intended outcome of policy		
	The Frontiers of the Roman Empire (Antonine Wall) World Heritage Site Supplementary Guidance will: - explain the significance of the Antonine Wall and its status as a World Heritage Site; - encourage early and effective consultation with Councils and Historic Environment Scotland; - outline the approach and procedure for assessing development affecting the World Heritage Site; - set out the criteria which will be applied in determining planning applications for development along the line of, and within the setting and vicinity of the World Heritage Site; - guide decisions on planning appeals and enforcement		
	Service/Partners/Stakeholders/service users involved in the development and/or implementation of policy.		
	This draft guidance has been prepared in conjunction with the other four local authorities on the Antonine Wall, and Historic Environment Scotland. A range of Council services, but mostly the Development Management Team, and some external stakeholders and key agencies, and the wider community, will contribute through the consultation process and implementation of the guidance.		
Does the proposals involve the procurement of any goods or services?		Yes	
If yes please confirm that you have contacted our procurement services to discuss your requirements.		No	
SCREENING			
<i>You must indicate if there is any relevance to the four areas</i>			
Duty to eliminate discrimination (E), advance equal opportunities (A) or foster good relations (F)		Yes	
Relevance to Human Rights (HR)		Yes	
Relevance to Health Impacts (H)		Yes	
Relevance to Social Economic Impacts (SE)		Yes	
Who will be affected by this policy?			
The guidance will have relevance to all people who live, work and visit here, those who own land, property and businesses as well as those who would wish to invest in the area, but especially those who live within, or wish to invest or develop within, or close to, the Antonine Wall World Heritage Site and Buffer Area			
Who will be/has been involved in the consultation process?			
The Draft Supplementary Guidance is going forward to committee for approval to consult.			

Consultation will follow thereafter.

Please outline any particular need/barriers which equality groups may have in relation to this policy list evidence you are using to support this and whether there is any negative impact on particular groups.

	Needs	Evidence	Impact
Age	Boosting participation of under-represented groups is an aim of the Councils 2021-2025 Equality Outcomes, younger people are often under represented	Data is not currently available for these groups in relation to this policy	The widespread benefits are expected to be positive across these groups however data is not available as to whether this will be evenly positive. . No aspect of this advice disadvantages other groups.
Cross Cutting	The Council is committed to it's Community Empowerment Strategy therefore it is important that strong joint work across the Council and partners supports this.	Evidence suggests (for Example the Scottish Social Attitudes Survey) shows that the more contact different groups have with each other, the less likely people are to hold negative attitudes about other groups.	Inclusive projects which bring different groups together provide and opportunities to foster good relations and strengthen social cohesion.
Disability	Boosting participation of under-represented groups is an aim of the Councils 2021-2025 Equality Outcomes	Adults with a long-term illness or disability are less likely to visit the outdoors. Source: Scottish Household Survey 2017 (Last updated: September 2018) Sick or disabled adults more likely to use bus. Source: Transport and Travel in Scotland 2019 (Last updated: September 2020)	This policy seeks to protect important heritage assets, which will have widespread benefits across the age bands, it has the potential to have greater positive impact on people with a disability who currently are less likely to access outdoor space for recreation, by promoting measures which ensure that open spaces are accessible and safe. In particular the policy includes measures to ensure that new play areas include accessible

			play equipment. This policy does not disadvantage any groups.
Social & Economic Impact	As this is important strategic work the guidance should reflect the needs of Fairer Scotland Duty and the Statutory Guidance to assessing impact in this area	<p>Adults living in the most deprived areas less likely to visit the outdoors In 2019, 43% of adults in the 20% most deprived areas of Scotland visited the outdoors at least once a week, compared to 66% of adults in the 20% least deprived areas.</p> <p>Source: Scottish Household Survey 2019 (Last updated: September 2020)</p> <p>People from households with lower incomes are more likely to take the bus, and less likely to take the train than those on higher incomes.</p> <p>Source: Transport and Travel in Scotland 2019 (Last updated: September 2020)</p>	Proposals to better protect important heritage assets will benefit people of all economic and social statuses. However there is potential for the impact to be more positive for people living in the most deprived neighbourhoods as these groups have reported using outdoor space for recreation less than others.
Sex	It is important that out door spaces are perceived as safe and inclusive	<p>Men and women equally likely to visit the outdoors.</p> <p>Source: Scottish Household Survey 2019 (Last updated: September 2020) A slightly higher proportion of men walk almost every day. 24% of men walked as a means of transport on 6-7 days in the last week in 2019, compared to 20% of women. A higher proportion of men cycle. 7% of men had cycled at least once as a</p>	With regards to access to the outdoors and heritage sites, the benefits will be evenly split between women and men, as these groups access outdoor space with comparable frequencies.

		<p>means of transport in the last week, compared to 3% of women. Source: Transport and Travel in Scotland 2019 (Last updated: September 2020)</p> <p>Women use bus more frequently</p> <p>Women use the bus slightly more than men. 40% of women had used the bus in the last month in 2017 compared to 37% of men. There is little difference in train use by gender. 30% of women and 29% of men had used the train within the past month. Women are less likely to have access to car and rely more heavily on public transport</p> <p>Source: Transport and Travel in Scotland 2019 (Last updated: September 2020)</p>	
Gender Reassign	Access to safe public spaces is important.	Those who have changed or are changing gender may suffer from greater isolation.	The widespread benefits are expected to be positive across these groups however data is not available as to whether this will be evenly positive.
Health	It is important that communities of place and experience have an opportunity to influence the process, and that physical and mental health considerations are taken into account	Research shows that the way places function, look and feel can influence our health and wellbeing.....Improving the quality of places and the opportunities we have access to can help to tackle	Improving the protection of the World Heritage Site the main ambition of this policy and it is intended to have benefits for education, culture, health and wellbeing.

		inequalities.” Placestandard.scot	
Human Rights	The Council must act in accordance with the requirements of the European Convention on Human Rights	The policy may place limits on the use of property for some land owners.	Any limit on the use of property is based on consideration of the potential impact on the fabric and setting of the World Heritage Site, as well as the general interest of the wider community.
Marriage & Civil Partnership	Cross cuts with sex in some aspects	Data is not currently available for these groups in relation to this policy..	Unlikely to have a differential impact outside those linked to sex
Pregnancy & Maternity	Public spaces need to be accessible for people looking after children and using push chairs etc.	Data is not currently available for these groups in relation to this policy	The widespread benefits are expected to be positive across these groups however data is not available as to whether this will be evenly positive. . No aspect of this advice disadvantages other groups.
Race	Boosting participation of under-represented groups is an aim of the Councils 2021-2025 Equality Outcomes; BME groups are often under represented	The ethnic groups most likely to have access to a car or van at the time of the 2011 Census were White: Other British and Pakistani (both 83% of households). The figure for the overall population was 77%. African households, at 47%, were least likely to have access to a car. Source: Analysis of Equality Results from the 2011 Census: Part 2 (Published: March 2015)	The benefits of this policy may particularly benefit groups without access to a car, this is not evenly distributed by race, however all groups will benefit from this policy and none will be disadvantaged.
Religion and Belief	There is some cross cutting of religion and ethnicity in terms of considerations	Data is not currently available for these groups in relation to this policy	The widespread benefits are expected to be positive across these groups however

			data is not available as to whether this will be evenly positive.
Sexual Orientation	LGB people are often under represented in similar processes so it is important that views are gathered inclusively	Little difference in visits to the outdoors between LGB and straight people. Source: Scottish Household Survey 2017 (Last updated: September 2018)	The benefits of proposals to improve access to high quality open space will be evenly distributed in relation to sexual orientation.

Actions

Policy has a negative impact on an equality group, but is still to be implemented, please provide justification for this.

n/a

Will the impact of the policy be monitored and reported on an ongoing bases?

The implementation will be monitored annually through the Housing Land Audit, the Planning Performance Framework and the Antonine Wall Protection Group

Q7 What is your recommendation for this policy?

Introduce

Please provide a meaningful summary of how you have reached the recommendation

The policy has a range of potential positive impacts both in of an opportunity for community empowerment and engaging with under represented groups, and in the eventual final shape of places; no groups with the protected characteristics are disadvantaged by these impacts. No negative impacts are identified. The guidance will inform future impact assessments of planning proposals.