

## Eco Impact Checklist

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<b>Title of report:</b> Introduction of a Streetwork Permit Scheme in Bristol				
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<b>Anticipated date of key decision.</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2019				
<b>Summary of proposals:</b>				
<p>Bristol has been advised by the DfT and Secretary of State for Transport to implement a Streetworks Permit Scheme to replace the current Streetworks Noticing System. This is essentially nothing more than changing the administrative process of how streetworks and roadworks are managed and coordinated.</p> <p>Currently Utility companies wishing to work on the highway will provide Bristol City Council with Notice of their intentions to carry out work and it is our role coordinate the works alongside other such Notices.</p> <p>The Permit Scheme will change this to Utilities having to apply for a Permit to work giving Bristol City Council greater control over the timing of such work with conditions that can also be applied as to any extra arrangements that must be in place such as specific traffic management arrangements.</p> <p>Legislation around how the physical works are conducted will not change so what is seen on street and the activity undertaken will remain the same.</p> <p>The DfT suggests that works durations will be reduced but as Bristol City Council already challenge works durations any further reduction will likely be very limited. Reductions will only be quantifiable once the scheme has been introduced and the first annual report produced.</p>				
Will the proposal impact on...	Yes/No	+ive or -ive	If Yes...	
			Briefly describe impact	Briefly describe Mitigation measures
Emission of Climate Changing Gases?	No			
Bristol's resilience to the effects of climate change?	No			
Consumption of non-renewable resources?	No			
Production, recycling or disposal of waste	No			
The appearance of the city?	No			

Pollution to land, water, or air?	Yes	+ive	Should the introduction of a Permit Scheme lead to reduced works durations it is possible that congestion around streetworks could be reduced leading to a reduction in air pollution from stationary traffic	
Wildlife and habitats?	No			
<b>Consulted with:</b>				
<b>Summary of impacts and Mitigation - <u>to go into the main Cabinet/ Council Report</u></b>				
<p>The significant impacts of this proposal are, the project is essentially nothing more than changing the administrative process of how streetworks and roadworks are managed and coordinated, and there may be a slight impact on air quality.</p> <p>The proposals include the following measures to mitigate the impacts – The scheme may reduce duration of works, thus reducing traffic jams and negative air quality impacts in the local area relating to this.</p> <p>The net effects of the proposals could have a slight positive effect on air quality.</p>				
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