Equality and Children's Rights Integrated Screening Form

The public sector equality duty requires that we demonstrate that we are making decisions in a fair, transparent and accountable way. The Council must show that it has considered the needs and rights of people with protected characteristics. In addition, where decisions affect young people, we must consider the 'Rights of the Child', under the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).

The duty requires that the Council assesses the 'equality impact' of proposals thoroughly before any decisions are taken. This should be proportionate to the decision that is being made. In addition, we must also ensure we are not impacting negatively on Human Rights or socio-economic status under the Fairer Scotland Duty.*

This form should assist in assessing whether a more detailed Equality and Children's Rights impact assessment is required.

A. Proposal					
Title	Procurement Savings				
Budget reference	SP/COM/24/03				
number and heading if					
appropriate (or N/A).*					
Amount (£) of saving if appropriate (or N/A)	£135,963				
Service	Education				
Lead Officer	Carolyn Hope				
Others Involved					
Date Completed	08/02/2024				
1. What are the main a	ims of the proposal?				
To reduce the spend on	commodities.				
2. What data, research or other evidence was used for this screening?					
Historical spend and itemised lists from suppliers.					
3. Screening questions					
		Yes	No		
Does the proposal affect service users, employees or the wider			X		
community and specifically to services that are known to being					
important to particular protected groups?					
Does the proposal have any relevance for Human and/or x					
Children's Rights? (please see guidance)					
Is it a major proposal, significantly affecting how services are x					
delivered or how other organisations operate?					
Does it relate to an area where there are known inequalities or has			X		
significant potential for reducing inequalities or improving outcomes?					

A. Proposal					
4. What is the impact of the (budget) proposal on equality groups?					
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Protected Group	Positive Impact	Negative Impact	Neutral Impact	Comments	
Age (young**/older			X		
people)					
Disability			X		
(Physical &					
learning)					
Gender Re-			X		
assignment					
Pregnancy &			X		
Maternity					
Race & ethnic			X		
origin					
Religion or belief			X		
Sex			Х		
Sexual Orientation			Х		
Care Experienced			Х		
Other (Poverty,			X		
homelessness,					
rural, carers, part-					
time workers, etc)					
Fairer Scotland			Х		
Duty					
Human Rights			X		
5. The Fairer Scotl	and Duty	– (reducing	g the soci	o-economic impact of our policies,	
strategies and b	udget deci	sions)			
Does the proposal have any negative (or potential) positive impacts that					
need to be expl	ored in m	ore detail'	? (please	provide brief summary).	
No					
6. Island Proofing	- Are the	re any spec	cial consid	derations for the Island	
Communities wi					
No					
7. Have any cross	-cuttina ir	npact bee	n identifi	ed from other Council Services	
				n or accumulated effects of	
multiple propos					
No					
	pact has t	peen ident	ified how	will you modify it?	
8. If a negative impact has been identified how will you modify it? N/A					
		ltation on	the (bud	act) proposed with any protected	
9. Has there been any consultation on the (budget) proposal with any protected					
characteristic groups or other services or partner organisations?					
No					
10. What are the monitoring and review arrangements?					
Spend and impact of new products will be monitored.					
11. What are the recommendations and further action resulting from this Equality Screening? (please explain)					
	Full Equality Assessment (or) - N/A				

A. Proposal			
Full Equality Assessment and Children's	N/A		
Rights Impact required.			

B. Outcome of the Proposal	
Screening Only (Please Explain)	No impact on specific groups
Full Assessment Required	No

Authorisation

Policy Lead/Manager: Carolyn Hope

Date: 08/02/2024

Head of Service: Executive Director – Audrey Sutton

Date: 12/02/2024

*If relating to a Budget proposal, the Full ECRIA should be attached to Committee Report and published on the Council's external website Equality pages **If a potential impact is identified for people under the age of 18, the CRIA screening questions in Appendix 1 should be answered

Appendix 1 – Children's Rights Impact Screening Form

1. What aspects of the Policy/measure will affect children and young people?

(The articles of the UNCRC and the wellbeing indicators under the Children and Young People (Scotland) 2014 apply to all people under the age of 18, including non-citizen and undocumented children and young people). More information can be found – (Appendix 1 of the full form) (Children & Young People's Commissioner Scotland) None.

2. What Likely Impact (direct or indirect) will the policy have on children and young people – considering any positive, negative or neutral impacts.

(**Direct** impact, where changes directly impact the young person, e.g., education, child protection etc or **Indirect** Impact, where although not directly aimed at young people, will still have an impact, e.g., welfare reforms, parental leave, housing supply etc). None.

3. Are there particular groups of young people who are more likely to be affected than others?

('Children' can refer to individuals, groups or children in general, and can also be related to the range of characteristics under the Equality Act – disability, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation. It also includes those that are eligible for special protection, including pre-school children, children in hospitals, rural areas, looked after children, victims of abuse, young people who offend, child asylum seekers, children living in poverty)

No.