

Equality Impact Assessment (EIA)

Preliminary assessment form

The preliminary impact assessment is a quick and easy screening process. It should:

- identify those policies, projects, services, functions or strategies which require a full EIA by looking at:
 - ◆ negative, positive or no impact on any of the equality groups
 - ◆ opportunity to promote equality for the equality groups
 - ◆ data / feedback
- prioritise if and when a full EIA should be completed
- justify reasons for why a full EIA is not going to be completed

Service Area:

Business Improvement

Title of policy, function or service:

Equality and Diversity Policy

Type of policy, function or service:

Existing:

New/proposed

Changed

Q1 - What is the aim of your policy or new service?

This policy aims to ensure that no-one receives less favourable treatment because of race, nationality, language, religion or belief, gender, sexual orientation, disability (both mental and physical), domestic circumstances, illness, age, employment, status, trans status, career status, pregnancy or maternity or marital status/ civil partnership.

The policy will also be used to address discrimination through perception and association.

Q2 - Who is the policy or service going to benefit?

This policy applies to the organisation, its employees, partners, tenants and leaseholders and to any external organisation supported or engaged by the organisation.

The policy addresses our statutory responsibilities, our commitment to provide equality of opportunity and access and our vision for an organisational culture where diversity is viewed positively.

Q3 - Thinking about each group below, does, or could the policy, project, service have a negative impact on members of the equality groups below?

Group	Yes Negative	No Positive/ No impact	Unclear
Age	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disability	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ethnic Origin	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transgender	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
Religion/ Belief	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sexual Orientation	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marital Status/ Civil Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pregnancy and Maternity	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other socially excluded groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>

If the answer is “yes” or “Unclear” consider doing a full EIA

Q4 - Does, or could, the policy, project or service help to promote equality for members of the equality groups

Group	Yes	No	Unclear
Age	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disability	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ethnic Origin	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transgender	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Religion/ Belief	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sexual Orientation	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marital Status/ Civil Partnership	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pregnancy and Maternity	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other socially excluded groups	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If the answer is “no” or “Unclear” consider doing a full EIA

Q5 - Do you have any feedback data from the equality groups that influences, affects or shapes this policy, project or service?

Group	Yes	No	Unclear
Age	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disability	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ethnic Origin	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transgender	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Religion/ Belief	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sexual Orientation	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marital Status/ Civil Partnership	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pregnancy and Maternity	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other socially excluded groups	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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If the answer is “No-” or “Unclear”, no-one knows or opinion is divided consider doing a full EIA

Q6 - Using the assessments in questions 3, 4 and 5 should a full assessment be carried out on this policy, project or service?

Yes		No	✓
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If you have to complete a full EIA use the easy to follow toolkit and form on the Wire

Q7 - How have you come to this decision?

This policy defines how SHP will ensure that no person is discriminated against and that equality of opportunity is provided for all, therefore an Equality Impact Assessment is not required

Q8 - What is your priority for doing the full EIA?

High	Medium	Low

Q9 - Who was involved in the EIA, and how?

The Equality Impact Assessment was conducted by the Corporate Projects Officer. As part of a rolling programme this policy will be reviewed by an EIA assessing group (once training is completed)

This EIA has been approved by:

Business Improvement

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Please send a copy of your completed EIA to the Business Improvement Team. We will contact you with any comments or queries about your preliminary EIA.