Equality Impact Assessment



Assessment Of: Teignbridge Lottery Small Grants Scheme	
\Box Policy \Box Strategy \Box Function \Box Service	
□ Other:	Already exists / review
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Service Area: Community Safety	Job Role: Community Safety and
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Step 1: What do we want to do?

This assessment should be started at the beginning of the process by someone with a good knowledge of the proposal and service area, and sufficient influence over the proposal. It is good practice to take a team approach to completing the equality impact assessment. Please contact the Policy Officer early for advice.

1.1 What are the aims and objectives/purpose of this proposal?

Briefly explain the purpose of the proposal and why it is needed. Describe who it is aimed at and the intended aims / outcomes. Where known also summarise the key actions you plan to undertake. Please use <u>plain English</u>, avoiding jargon and acronyms. Equality Impact Assessments are viewed by a wide range of people including decision-makers and the wider public.

The proposal seeks to redistribute monies collected into the central fund of the Teignbridge Lottery through a small grants scheme. This will add support to the voluntary sector across the District.

1.2 Who will the proposal have the potential to affect?

□ Service users	□ The wider community	🗆 Teignbridge workforce
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1.3 Will the proposal have an equality impact?

Could the proposal affect access levels of representation or participation in a service, or does it have the potential to change e.g. quality of life: health, education, or standard of living etc.?

If 'No' explain why you are sure there will be no equality impact, then skip steps 2-4 and request review by your manager.

If 'Yes' complete the rest of this assessment.

 \boxtimes Yes \square No [please select]

Yes, the focus of the fund will be to support where there is an impact as a result of the cost-ofliving crisis. This therefore has the potential to positively impact on the quality of life of our residents. There is also the potential for projects to positively impact on groups of the community with protective characteristics

Step 2: What information do we have?

2.1 What data or evidence is there which tells us who is, or could be affected?

Please use this section to demonstrate an understanding of who could be affected by the proposal. Include general population data where appropriate, and information about people who will be affected with particular reference to protected and other relevant characteristics (listed in 2.2).

Use one row for each evidence source and say which characteristic(s) it relates to. You can include a mix of qualitative and quantitative data - from national research, local data or previous consultations and engagement activities.

Outline whether there are any over or under representation of equality groups within your service - don't forget to benchmark to local population where appropriate.

For workforce / management of change proposals you will need to look at the diversity of the affected team(s) using available evidence such as the employee profile data. Identify any under/over-representation compared with Teignbridge's economically active citizens for age, disability, ethnicity, gender, religion/belief and sexual orientation.

Data / Evidence Source	Summary of what this tells us
[Include a reference where known]	
Applications can be sought from the 78	This tells us that there is a spread of Lottery
organisations who are registered beneficiaries	beneficiaries across our District.
of the Teignbridge Lottery, the majority of	
these are mapped.	
The impact of the cost of living crisis is evident	One example of the information shows that
in Power BI Dashboard that has been created	we have 17 lower super output areas in the
	category of most at risk of food insecurity
Additional comments:	

2.2 Do you currently monitor relevant activity by the following protected characteristics? no

	🗆 Disability	🗆 Gender Reassignment
□ Marriage and Civil Partnership	Pregnancy/Maternity	\Box Race
\Box Religion or Belief	\Box Sex	\Box Sexual Orientation

2.3 Are there any gaps in the evidence base?

Where there are gaps in the evidence, or you don't have enough information about some equality groups, include an equality action to find out in section 4.2 below. This doesn't mean that you can't complete the assessment without the information, but you need to follow up the action and if necessary, review the assessment later. If you are unable to fill in the gaps please state this clearly with a justification.

For workforce related proposals all relevant information on characteristics may need to be sought from HR (e.g. pregnancy/maternity). For smaller teams diversity data may be redacted. A high proportion of not known/not disclosed may require action to address and identify the information needed.

More information will be available once the successful grants have been approved.

2.4 How have you involved communities and groups that could be affected?

You will nearly always need to involve and consult with internal and external stakeholders during your assessment. The extent of the engagement will depend on the nature of the proposal or change. This should usually include individuals and groups representing different relevant protected characteristics. Please include details of any completed engagement and consultation and how representative this has been of Teignbridge's diverse communities.

Include the main findings of any engagement and consultation in Section 2.1 above.

If you are managing a workforce change process or restructure please refer to HR for advice on how to consult and engage with employees. Relevant stakeholders for engagement about workforce changes may include e.g. staff-led groups, trades unions as well as affected staff.

We have discussed the proposals throughout with the Teignbridge Council for Voluntary Service

2.5 How will engagement with stakeholders continue?

Explain how you will continue to engage with stakeholders throughout the course of planning and delivery. Please describe where more engagement and consultation is required and set out how you intend to undertake it. Include any targeted work to seek the views of under-represented groups. If you do not intend to undertake it, please set out your justification. You can ask the Consultation Officer for help in targeting particular groups.

We will continue to engage with Teignbridge CVS and the successful recipients of the small grants.

Step 3: Who might the proposal impact?

Analysis of impacts must be rigorous. Please demonstrate your analysis of any impacts of the proposal in this section, referring to evidence you have gathered above and the characteristics protected by the Equality Act 2010. Also include details of existing issues for particular groups that you are aware of and are seeking to address or mitigate through this proposal.

3.1 Does the proposal have any potentially adverse impacts on people on the basis of their protected or other relevant characteristics?

Consider sub-categories (different kinds of disability, ethnic background etc.) and how people with combined characteristics (e.g. young women) might have particular needs or experience particular kinds of disadvantage.

Where mitigations indicate a follow-on action, include this in the 'Action Plan' Section 4.2 below.

GENERAL COMMENTS (highlight any potential issues that might impact all or many groups)

PROTECTED CHARACTERISTICS

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Age: Young People	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes No Neutral
Potential impacts:	If a project that would be of specific benefit to young people was successful this would have a positive impact
Mitigations:	
Age: Older People	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes 🗆 No 🗆 Neutral 🗆
Potential impacts:	It is likely that this will be a positive benefit as a number of beneficiaries of the lottery support older people in our community and if successful with a grant there would be further positive impact
Mitigations:	
Disability	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes 🗆 No 🗆 Neutral 🗆
Potential impacts:	If a project that would be of specific benefit to those with a disability was successful this would have a positive impact
Mitigations:	
Sex	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes 🗆 No 🗆 Neutral 🗆
Potential impacts:	Will depend if any successful applications have this protective characteristic as a focus
Mitigations:	
Sexual orientation	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes 🗆 No 🗆 Neutral 🗆
Potential impacts:	Will depend if any successful applications have this protective characteristic as a focu
Mitigations:	
Pregnancy / Maternity	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes 🗆 No 🗆 Neutral 🗆
Potential impacts:	Neutral
Mitigations:	
Gender reassignment	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes 🗆 No 🗆 Neutral 🗆
Potential impacts:	Will depend if any successful applications have this protective characteristic as a focus
Mitigations:	
Race	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes 🗆 No 🗆 Neutral 🗆
Potential impacts:	Will depend if any successful applications have this protective characteristic as a focus
Mitigations:	
Religion or Belief	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes 🗆 No 🗆 Neutral 🗆
Potential impacts:	Neutral
Mitigations:	
Marriage & civil partnership	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes 🗆 No 🗆 Neutral 🗆
Potential impacts:	Neutral
Mitigations:	

OTHER RELEVANT CHARACTERISTICS

Socio-Economic (deprivation)	Does your analysis indicate a disproportionate impact? Yes \square No \square Neutral \square
Potential impacts:	This will definitely have a positive impact with applicants being asked to develop work that specifically focusses on those impacted by the cost-of- living crisis

Mitigations:	There will be a scoring matirx which will highlight the potential impact of the scheme proposed
Other group(s) Please add additional rows below to detail the impact for other relevant groups as appropriate e.g. Asylums and Refugees; Rural/Urban Communities, Homelessness, Digital Exclusion, Access To Transport	
Potential impacts:	
Mitigations:	

3.2 Does the proposal create any benefits for people on the basis of their protected or other relevant characteristics?

Outline any potential benefits of the proposal and how they can be maximised. Identify how the proposal will support our <u>Public Sector Equality Duty</u> to:

- ✓ Eliminate unlawful discrimination for a protected group
- Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who don't
- ✓ Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who don't

This opportunity for those in the Voluntary sector has the potential to advance equality of opportunity by improving access to services and facilities for those in our community with protective characteristics and also the potential to foster good relations. The extent to which this is achieved will depend on the applications submitted.

Step 4: Impact

4.1 How has the equality impact assessment informed or changed the proposal?

What are the main conclusions of this assessment? Use this section to provide an overview of your findings. This content should be used as a summary in reports, where this full assessment is included as an appendix.

If you have identified any significant negative impacts which cannot be mitigated, provide a justification showing how the proposal is proportionate, necessary and appropriate despite this.

Summary of significant negative impacts and how they can be mitigated or justified:

Summary of positive impacts / opportunities to promote the Public Sector Equality Duty:

4.2 Action Plan

Use this section to set out any actions you have identified to improve data, mitigate issues, or maximise opportunities etc. If an action is to meet the needs of a particular protected group please specify this.

Improvement / action required	Responsible Officer	Timescale

4.3 How will the impact of your proposal and actions be measured?

How will you know if have been successful? Once the activity has been implemented this equality impact assessment should be periodically reviewed to make sure your changes have been effective and your approach is still appropriate. Include the timescale for review in your action plan above.

A report will be submitted to Overview and Scrutiny on the outcomes

4.4 Is there an opportunity to promote positive attitudes and good relations between different groups and communities?

Yes through the promotion of any beneficiaries successful project delivery through the Teignbridge Communcations team and social media

Step 5: Review & Sign-Off

ElAs should only be marked as reviewed when they provide sufficient information for decision-makers on the equalities impact of the proposal. Please seek review and feedback from management before requesting it to be signed off. All working drafts of ElAs and final signed-off ElAs should be saved in G:\GLOBAL\ElA Once signed-off please add the details to the 'ElA Register' of all council ElAs saved in the same directory.

Reviewed by Service Manager: Yes Rebecca Hewitt	Strategic Leadership Team Sign-Off:
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