EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EQIA): SCREENING FORM

Introduction to the EQIA screening process

A successful EQIA screening will look at 5 key areas:

1. Identify the Policy, Project, Service Reform or Budget Option to be assessed A clear definition of what is being screened and its aims

2. Gathering Evidence & Stakeholder Engagement

Collect data to evidence the type of barriers people face to accessing services (research, consultations, complaints and/or consult with equality groups)

3. Assessment & Differential Impacts

Reaching an informed decision on whether or not there is a differential impact on equality groups, and at what level

4. Outcomes, Action & Public Reporting

Develop an action plan to make changes where a negative impact has been assessed. Ensure that both the assessment outcomes and the actions taken to address negative impacts are publically reported

5. Monitoring, Evaluation & Review

Stating how you will monitor and evaluate the **Policy, Project, Service Reform or Budget Option** to ensure that you are continuing to achieve the expected outcomes for all groups.

1. IDENTIFY THE POLICY, PROJECT, SERVICE REFORM OR BUDGET OPTION:

a) Name of the Policy, Project, Service Reform or Budget Option to be screened

Carter Center (TCC) - Inform Women and Transform Lives Campaign to be launched 25.11.2024

- Raise awareness about Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) and young women's right of access to information,
- Reach young women (age 16-21) with information and messaging related to VAWG and the services that are available to them.
- Increase the number of young women accessing information, and seeking support sooner, thus demonstrating the value of information. The impact of a successful campaign will be that young women are more aware of, and able to transform their lives through increased knowledge and understanding and access to, information and services.

b) Reason for Change in Policy or Policy Development

To ensure that young women are more aware of, and able to transform their lives through increased knowledge and understanding and access to, information and services.

c) List main outcome focus and supporting activities of the Policy, Project, Service Reform or Budget Option

Our objective is to launch a comprehensive, awareness raising campaign targeting young women aged 16-21 in Glasgow, UK, to recognise the signs of VAWG and signpost them to support services. The campaign will primarily feature a short film aimed at educating and empowering young women about VAWG. The Call-to-Action (CTA) of the film will be to signpost viewers to 'ADA' the Glasgow City Council app that has guidance and information about VAWG services and support available.

This aligns with TCC 's own objectives for the project, and we have demonstrated below our proposed methodologies for achieving each of these objectives.

d) Name of officer completing assessment (signed and date)

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e)	Assessment Verified by (signed and date)

2. GATHERING EVIDENCE & STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

The best approach to find out if a policy, etc is likely to impact positively or negatively on equality groups is to look at existing research, previous consultation recommendations, studies or consult with representatives of those groups. You should list below any data, consultations (previous relevant or future planned), or any relevant research or analysis that supports the Policy, Project, Service Reform or Budget Option being undertaken.

Please name any research, data, consultation or studies referred to for this assessment:	Please state if this reference refers to one or more of the protected characteristics:	Do you intend to set up your own consultation? If so, please list the main issues that you wish to address if the consultation is planned; or if consultation has been completed, please note the outcome(s) of consultation.
Focus Groups -	Age 16-21 - Female	N/A

3. ASSESSMENT & DIFFERENTIAL IMPACTS

Use the table below to provide some **narrative** where you think the **Policy, Project, Service Reform or Budget Option** has either a positive impact (contributes to promoting equality or improving relations within an equality group) or a negative impact (could disadvantage them) and note the reason for the change in policy or the reason for policy development, based on the evidence you have collated.

Protected Characteristic	Specific Characteristics	Positive Impact (it could benefit an equality group)	Negative Impact – (it could disadvantage an equality group)	Socio Economic / Human Rights Impacts
SEX/ GENDER	Women	As above		
	Men			
	Transgender			
RACE*	White			
Further information on the breakdown below each of these	Mixed or Multiple Ethnic Groups	As above	As above	
headings, as per census, is available	Asian	As above	As above	
here. For example Asian	African	As above	As above	
includes Chinese, Pakistani and Indian	Caribbean or Black	As above	As above	
etc	Other Ethnic Group	As above	As above	
DISABILITY	Physical disability		As above	
A definition of disability under the Equality Act 2010 is	Sensory Impairment (sight, hearing,)	As above	As above	

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available <u>here.</u>	Mental Health		As above	
	Learning Disability	As above	As above	
LGBT	Lesbians	As above	As above	
	Gay Men	N/A	As above	
	Bisexual	As above	As above	
AGE	Older People (60 +)	N/A		
	Younger People (16-25)	As above - We currently do not have much information or data on this age group, with the hopes that social listening will allow us to understand this group better in order to provide better services and targeted campaigns		
	Children (0-16)	N/A	Not at this time	
MARRIAGE & CIVIL PARTNERSHIP	Women	As above	Not at this time	
	Men	N/A	Not at this time	
	Lesbians	As above	Not at this time	

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	Gay Men	N/A	Not at this time	
PREGNANCY & MATERNITY	Women	As above	Not at this time	
RELIGION & BELIEF**				
A list of religions used in the census is available here.	See note			

^{*} For reasons of brevity race is not an exhaustive list, and therefore please feel free to augment the list above where appropriate; to reflect the complexity of other racial identities.

^{**} There are too many faith groups to provide a list, therefore, please input the faith group e.g. Muslims, Buddhists, Jews, Christians, Hindus, etc. Consider the different faith groups individually when considering positive or negative impacts. A list of religions used in the census is available <a href="https://example.com/here-teleplace-tele

ummary of Protected Characteristics Most Impacted	
Summary of Socio Economic Impacts	
Summary of Human Rights Impacts	

4. OUTCOMES, ACTION & PUBLIC REPORTING

Screening Outcome	Yes /No Or / Not At This Stage
Was a significant level of negative impact arising from the project, policy or strategy identified?	Not at this stage.
Does the project, policy or strategy require to be amended to have a positive impact?	Not at this stage.
Does a Full Impact Assessment need to be undertaken?	Not at this stage.

	Actions: Next Steps (i.e. is there a strategic group that can monitor any future actions)		
Further Action Required/ Action To Be Undertaken	Lead Officer and/or Lead Strategic Group	Timescale for Resolution of Negative Impact (s) / Delivery of Positive Impact (s)	
Ongoing assessment until August 2025	Working Group VAWG – Carter Initiative		

Public Reporting

All completed EQIA Screenings are required to be publically available on the <u>Council EQIA Webpage</u> once they have been signed off by the relevant manager, and/or Strategic, Policy, or Operational Group. (See <u>EQIA Guidance</u>: Pgs. 11-12)

5. MONITORING OUTCOMES, EVALUATION & REVIEW

The Equalities Impact Assessment (EQIA) screening is not an end in itself but the start of a continuous monitoring and review process. The relevant Strategic, Policy, or Operational Group responsible for the delivery of the Policy, Project, Service Reform or Budget Option, is also responsible for monitoring and reviewing the EQIA Screening and any actions that may have been take to mitigate impacts.

Individual services are responsible for conducting the impact assessment for their area, staff from **Corporate Strategic Policy and Planning** will be available to provide support and guidance.

Legislation

Equality Act (2010) - the Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) Scotland Regulations 2012

The 2010 Act consolidated previous equalities legislation to protect people from discrimination on grounds of:

- race
- sex
- being a transsexual person (transsexuality is where someone has changed, is changing or has proposed changing their sex called 'gender reassignment' in law)
- sexual orientation (whether being lesbian, gay, bisexual or heterosexual)
- disability (or because of something connected with their disability)
- religion or belief
- having just had a baby or being pregnant
- being married or in a civil partnership, and
- age.

Further information: Equality Act Guidance

As noted the Equality Act 2010 simplifies the current laws and puts them all together in one piece of legislation. In addition the **Specific Duties (Scotland Regulations 2012)** require local authorities to do the following to enable better performance of the general equality duty:

- report progress on mainstreaming the general equality duty
- publish equality outcomes and report progress in meeting those
- impact assess new or revised policies and practices as well as making arrangements to review existing policies and practices gather, use and publish employee information
- publish gender pay gap information and an equal pay statement
- consider adding equality award criteria and contract conditions in public procurement exercises.

Further information: <u>Understanding Scottish Specific Public Sector Equality Duties</u>

Fairer Scotland Duty

Authorities should also consider Socio-Economic Impacts where appropriate. Further information: Fairer Scotland Duty Interim Guidance

Enforcement

Judicial review of an authority can be taken by any person, including the Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) or a group of people, with an interest, in respect of alleged failure to comply with the general equality duty. Only the EHRC can enforce the specific duties. A failure to comply with the specific duties may however be used as evidence of a failure to comply with the general duty.

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