

Bristol City Council Equality Impact Relevance Check



This tool will identify the equalities relevance of a proposal, and establish whether a full Equality Impact Assessment will be required. Please read the guidance prior to completing this relevance check.

What is the proposal?	
Name of proposal	Pothole Fund - Bristol allocation
Please outline the proposal.	<p>The Pothole Action Fund was announced in the Government's Budget 2015 and, with subsequent funding, totals £296 million. The Government asserts that this fund is enough to repair on average over 5 million potholes or to stop them forming in the first place. This funding is allocated by formula, and shared by local highway authorities in England, outside London, between 2016/17 and 2020/21.</p> <p>During the 2020/21 financial year, The government announced a further injection of funding of £500m of which Bristol's allocated amount stands at £2.64m and it was recently confirmed as such by WECA.</p> <p>Proposed approach is to use the lifecycle asset modelling and asset management approach for highways assets enabling the expansion of repairs to carriageways, footways programs including drainage repairs to combat the causes to the creation of the potholes. The approach will use the data the team gain from condition surveys to prioritise the areas across the city. The condition survey's use a RAG rating and the funding will be targeted to those areas highlighted as Red in the survey. This will included expanding the footway sealing program, expansion of the surfacing program 2020/21, repair areas identified as fundamentally defective in condition surveys and undertake more gully repairs including a crucial carrier drain on Newfoundland way. The funding enables the authority to undertake urgent repairs required to concrete roads in streets in the authorities residential estates.</p>
What savings will this proposal achieve?	NA

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Could your proposal impact citizens with protected characteristics? (This includes service users and the wider community)	
Please outline where there may be significant opportunities or positive impacts, and for whom.	
The repairing of Bristol’s potholes would have an equally positive impact on all the protected characteristics.	
Please outline where there may be significant negative impacts, and for whom.	
There are no perceived negative impacts of this proposal	

Could your proposal impact staff with protected characteristics? (i.e. reduction in posts, changes to working hours or locations, changes in pay)	
Please outline where there may be significant opportunities or positive impacts, and for whom.	
There are no perceived positive impacts on the protected characteristics other than improved access for all.	
Please outline where there may be negative impacts, and for whom.	
There are no perceived negative impacts of this proposal	

Is a full Equality Impact Assessment required?	
Does the proposal have the potential to impact on people with protected characteristics in the following ways: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • access to or participation in a service, • levels of representation in our workforce, or • reducing quality of life (i.e. health, education, standard of living) ? 	
Please indicate yes or no. If the answer is yes then a full impact assessment must be carried out. If the answer is no, please provide a justification.	No, this proposal will not have a specific impact on the protected characteristics.
Service Director sign-off and date: Patsy Mellor – Director of Management of Place 04/08/2020	Equalities Officer sign-off and date: <i>Reviewed by Equality and Inclusion Team</i> <i>6/8/2020</i>