# **Equality Impact Assessment** [version 2.10]



Title: GR015 Highways and CAZ Funding	
□ Budget Proposal	☑ New □ Already exists / review □ Changing
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Service Area: Traffic and Highways	Lead Officer role: Acting Head of Service for Traffic and
Maintenance	Highways Maintenance

## Step 1: What do we want to do?

The purpose of an Equality Impact Assessment is to assist decision makers in understanding the impact of proposals as part of their duties under the Equality Act 2010. Detailed guidance to support completion can be found here Equality Impact Assessments (EqIA) (sharepoint.com).

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 <u>Equality and Inclusion Team</u> early for advice and feedback.

## 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.

#### **Budget context**

Every year, the council must agree an annual budget which balances the money we spend with the money we are expecting to receive. Councils across the country are facing financial challenges and based on our current forecasts, we face a funding gap over the next five years (to 2027/28) of up to £87.6 million dependent on the severity of factors such as rising costs of fuel, energy and inflation. This is in addition to the £34.3 million of savings and efficiencies proposals for 2022-2027 outlined in the 2022/23 budget.

The Council has defined statutory responsibilities, but deliver against a far broader agenda, providing universal services benefiting the whole community, and targeted services aimed at individuals, communities with particular needs, and businesses – administered by our workforce, city partners, stakeholder organisations and commissioned services.

To address these challenges we must look again across all of our services to find where we can do things differently to reduce costs, be more efficient in how we do things and, in some cases, stop doing some things entirely.

### **This Proposal**

To use income from CAZ to fund highways maintenance repairs as per the charging order for the CAZ project. Therefore there is no expected effect on the service delivery to users of the highway as the funding will be replaced at a budget level.

1.2 Who will the proposal have the potential to affect?						
☐ Bristol City Counci	l workforce	☐ Service use	rs	☐ The wider community		
☐ Commissioned services ☐ City partners / Stakeholder organisations						
Additional comments: No one such be affected by this proposal						
1.3 Will the propos	sal have an equ	uality impact?	_			
☐ Yes	⊠ No	[please select]				
Could the proposal affections change e.g. quality of life			-	tion in a service, or does it have the potential to .?		
If 'No' explain why you a and Inclusion Team.	re sure there will	be no equality imp	act, ther	n skip steps 2-4 and request review by Equality		
If 'Yes' complete the rest this clearly here and req				te the assessment at a later stage please state am.		
We have not identified a replacement of funding.	nny equality impa	ct from the proposa	al. There	is no impact to service delivery as this is a full		
Step 5: Review						
should only be marked a	is reviewed when Please seek feedb	they provide suffic	ient info	omment and feedback on your EqIA. EqIAs remation for decision-makers on the equalities quality and Inclusion Team before requesting		
Equality and Inclusion Team Review:  Reviewed by Equality and Inclusion Team		Director Sign-Off:				
Date: 16/12/2022	Date: 16/12/2022		16/12/2022			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Review by the Equality and Inclusion Team confirms there is sufficient analysis for decision makers to consider the likely equality impacts at this stage. This is not an endorsement or approval of the proposal.