Equality Impact Assessment [version 2.9]

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☐ Yes



Title: Highways Maintenance Works - Additional Pothole Funding				
☐ Policy ☒ Strategy ☐ Function ☐ Service		⊠ New		
☐ Other [please state]		☐ Already exists / review ☐ Changing		
Directorate: Growth & Regeneration		Lead Officer name: Philip Davies		
Service Area: Transport / Highways Maintenance		Lead Officer role: Team Manager		
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 Equality and Inclusion Team 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.				
This EQIA is to accompany a Decision Pathway report which seeks approval to spend an additional £989,940 on existing highways maintenance priorities as described in the report. The government are investing an extra £200m into repairing roads (Pothole Fund). WECA has been allocated £2.8m of the investment. Bristol's allocation from this 2.8m is £989,940.				
1.2 Who will the proposal have the potential to affect?				
□ Bristol City Council workforce	☐ Service use	rs		
☐ Commissioned services	☐ City partner	City partners / Stakeholder organisations		
Additional comments:				
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 Equality and Inclusion Team.				
If 'Yes' complete the rest of this assessment, or if you plan to complete the assessment at a later stage please state this clearly here and request review by the Equality and Inclusion Team.				

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We have not identified any significant potential negative equality impact from the proposal. The work which will be carried out as a result of the additional funding, will be aimed at priority sites which are in poor repair and where potholes are forming. The work will rectify the defects, creating an improve carriageway surface which will be safer to drive on and reduce noise. The improvements will create a better surface for scooters, cyclists and pedestrians crossing the road. The work should benefit local communities and those who travel along those route.

Step 5: Review

The Equality and Inclusion Team need at least five working days to comment and feedback on your EqIA. EqIAs should only be marked as reviewed when they provide sufficient information for decision-makers on the equalities impact of the proposal. Please seek feedback and review from the <u>Equality and Inclusion Team</u> before requesting sign off from your Director¹.

Equality and Inclusion Team Review: Reviewed by Equality and Inclusion Team	Director Sign-Off:
Date: 18/4/2023	Date: 17 April 2023

¹ 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.