

Appendix D - Equality Impact Assessment

Equality Impact Assessment - process for services, policies, projects and strategies

1.	<p>Using information that you have gathered from service monitoring, surveys, consultation, and other sources such as anecdotal information fed back by members of staff, in your opinion, could your service/policy/strategy/decision (including decisions to cut or change a service or policy) disadvantage, or have a potentially disproportionately negative effect on, any of the following groups of people:</p> <p><i>People of different ages – including young and older people</i> <i>People with a disability;</i> <i>People of different races / ethnicities / nationalities;</i> <i>Men;</i> <i>Women;</i> <i>People of different religions/beliefs;</i> <i>People of different sexual orientations;</i> <i>People who are or have identified as transgender;</i> <i>People who are married or in a civil partnership;</i> <i>Women who are pregnant or on maternity leave or men whose partners are pregnant or on maternity leave;</i> <i>People living in areas of deprivation or who are financially disadvantaged.</i></p>	No
2.	<p>What sources of information have you used to come to this decision?</p>	<p>The masterplan seek to provide a policy framework to deliver sustainable development for all including affordable housing and infrastructure provision. Consultation feedback through the Local Plan has helped inform this understanding.</p>
3.	<p>How have you tried to involve people / groups in developing your service / policy / strategy or in making your decision (including decisions to cut or change a service or policy)?</p>	<p>Engagement relating to the allocation of the Yew Tree Farm site took place through the Local Plan consultation and examination. The Stakeholder Group has provided feedback to directly inform the options presented and public consultation has been factored in to earlier versions of the document and this version.</p>
4.	<p>Could your service / policy / strategy or decision (including decisions to cut or change a service or policy) help or hamper our ability to meet our duties under the Equality Act 2010? Duties are to:</p> <p><i>Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation;</i> <i>Advance equality of opportunity (removing or minimising disadvantage, meeting the needs of people); and</i> <i>Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not share it.</i></p>	<p>Could help as it will seek to provide a policy framework that will, amongst other things, deliver affordable housing and housing for elderly (minimising disadvantage).</p>
5.	<p>What actions will you take to address any issues raised in your answers above?</p>	N/A