

<p>1. 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:  <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; 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>	<p>No.</p>
<p>2. What sources of information have you used to come to this decision?</p>	<p>West Lancashire Borough Council Open Space, Sport and Recreation Study 2009</p>
<p>3. 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>The document being reported on (Draft Open Space SPD) will, if approved by Cabinet, be subject to public consultation for six weeks. A wide range of different individuals and bodies will be contacted directly to advise about the consultation. In addition, the document will be publicised in the press and on the Council's website. People will be invited to submit their views on the content of, and proposals contained within, the document. These views will be taken into account in preparing the subsequent version of the document.</p>
<p>4. 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:-  <i>Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation;</i>  <i>Advance equality of opportunity (removing or minimising disadvantage, meeting the needs of people);</i>  <i>Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not share it.</i></p>	<p>The purpose of the Open Space SPD is to ensure the provision of good quality open space amongst new residential developments. One consequence of this should be to improve equality of opportunity for, for example, disabled people, to access open space. Thus this decision should, indirectly, help the Council's ability to meet its duties under the Equality Act 2010.</p>
<p>5. What actions will you take to address any issues raised in your answers above</p>	<p>(The relevant actions are referred to above.)</p>