Appendix 1 Equality Impact Assessment - process for services, policies, projects and strategies

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: People of different ages – including young and older people People with a disability; People of different races/ethnicities/ nationalities; Men; Women; People of different religions/beliefs; People of different sexual orientations; People who are or have identified as transgender; People who are married or in a civil partnership; Women who are pregnant or on maternity leave or men whose partners are pregnant or on maternity leave; People living in areas of deprivation or who are financially disadvantaged.	No. The matters contained in this report are largely of a technical nature, but would apply equally to all licensed operations.
2.	What sources of information have you used to come to this decision?	Legislation requires that all relevant operations are subject to the licensing process dictated by the Gambling Act 2005.
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)?	Details of the amended draft policy contained in this report will be published in a local newspaper, on the Council's website and at the Licensing reception at Robert Hodge Centre. The responses to this consultation will be the subject of future reports.
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:-	The recommendations contained in this report apply only to licensed operations under the Gambling Act 2005, which apply equally to all such operations.
	Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation;	
	Advance equality of opportunity (removing or minimising disadvantage, meeting the needs of people);	
	Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not share it.	
5.	What actions will you take to address any issues raised in your answers above?	Details of the amended draft policy contained in this report will be published in a local newspaper, on the Council's website and at the Licensing reception at Robert Hodge Centre. The responses to this consultation will be the subject of future reports.