



**Pre-Screening Equality Impact Assessment**

Name of policy/service/function	Finance
Is this a new or existing policy/ service/function?	New
Brief summary/description of the main aims of the policy/service/function being screened. Please state if this policy/service rigidly constrained by statutory obligations	Establishment of a business rates pool with NCC and other Norfolk district councils.

Question	Answer				
	Positive	Negative	Neutral	Unsure	
<p><b>1. Is there any reason to believe that the policy/service/function could have a specific impact on people from one or more of the following groups according to their different protected characteristic, for example, because they have particular needs, experiences, issues or priorities or in terms of ability to access the service?</b></p> <p>Please tick the relevant box for each group.</p> <p>NB. Equality neutral means no negative impact on any group.</p>	Age				
	Disability				
	Gender				
	Gender Re-assignment				
	Marriage/civil partnership				
	Pregnancy & maternity				
	Race				
	Religion or belief				
	Sexual orientation				
	Other (eg low income)				

Question	Answer	Comments
<b>2. Is the proposed policy/service likely to affect relations between certain equality communities or to damage relations between the equality communities and the Council, for example because it is seen as favouring a particular community or denying opportunities to another?</b>	No	
<b>3. Could this policy/service be perceived as impacting on communities differently?</b>	No	
<b>4. Is the policy/service specifically designed to tackle evidence of disadvantage or potential discrimination?</b>	No	
<p><b>5. Are any impacts identified above minor and if so, can these be eliminated or reduced by minor actions? If yes, please agree actions with a member of the Corporate Equalities Working Group and list agreed actions in the comments section</b></p>	N/A	<b>Actions:</b>
		<b>Actions agreed by EWG member:</b> .....

<b>Assessment completed by:</b> Name <b>Ray Harding</b>	
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**Date 30 08 13**