Pre-Screening Equality Impact Assessment

Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk



Name of policy/service/function	Residential Caravan Licensing (Consultation)				
Is this a new or existing policy/ service/function?	New / Existing				
Brief summary/description of the main aims of the policy/service/function being screened.	External consultation regarding amendments to the site licensing conditions for residential caravans sites.				
Please state if this policy/service is rigidly constrained by statutory obligations	Yes, caravan licensing is constrained by the Caravan Sites and Control of D4evelopment Act 1960 as amended by the Housing Act 2013.				
Question	Answer				
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?		Positive	Negative	Neutral	Unsure
	Age			Х	
	Disability			Х	
	Gender			Х	
Please tick the relevant box for each group.	Gender Re-assignment			Х	
	Marriage/civil partnership	rriage/civil partnership		X	
NB. Equality neutral means no negative impact on any group.	Pregnancy & maternity	Pregnancy & maternity X		Х	
	Race			Х	
	Religion or belief			Х	
	Sexual orientation			Х	
	Other (eg low income)			Х	

Question	Answer	Comments		
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?	Yes / No	Specific reference is made for travellers in respect their cultural needs and reflects planning policy.		
3. Could this policy/service be perceived as impacting on communities differently?	Yes / No	Yes but only whereas licensing is complimentary to planning permission and planning permission for traveller sites is as per Annex 1 'Planning Policy for Traveller Sites', National Planning Policy Framework.		
4. Is the policy/service specifically designed to tackle evidence of disadvantage or potential discrimination?	Yes / No			
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	Yes / No	Actions: This assessment relates to the consultation process only and the results will be considered fully in advance of amendments being proposed to Council for adoption.		
in the comments section		Actions agreed by EWG members		
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Please Note: If there are any positive or negative impacts identified in question 1, or there any 'yes' responses to questions 2 – 4 a full impact assessment will be required.