Pre-Screening Equality Impact Assessment

Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk

Name of policy/service/function	Business Continuity Management Policy Statement and Strategy				
Is this a new or existing policy/ service/function?	Existing				
Brief summary/description of the main aims of the policy/service/function being screened. Please state if this policy/service is rigidly constrained by statutory obligations	To help to fulfil the Council's statutory responsibilities as a Category 1 responder under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004. The CCA places a duty on Category 1 responders to develop and maintain plans to ensure that if an emergency occurred, the authority is able to continue to perform its critical activities and key services. Although it is a statutory requirement to have plans in place, how the Council chooses to formulate them is not rigidly controlled.				
Question	Answer	1 1	1		
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			✓	
	Disability			✓	
	Gender			✓	
Please tick the relevant box for each group.	Gender Re-assignment		✓		
	Marriage/civil partnership	urtnership ✓			
NB. Equality neutral means no negative impact on any group.	Pregnancy & maternity			✓	
	Race			✓	
	Religion or belief			✓	
	Sexual orientation			✓	
	Other (eg low income)			✓	

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?	No		
3. Could this policy/service be perceived as impacting on communities differently?	No		
4. Is the policy/service specifically designed to tackle evidence of disadvantage or potential discrimination?	No		
5. Are any impacts identified above minor and if so, can these be eliminated or reduced by minor actions?	No	Actions:	
If yes, please agree actions with a member of the Corporate Equalities Working Group and list agreed actions in the comments section			
		Actions agreed by EWG member:	
Assessment completed by:			
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Date	5 th August 2015		

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.