DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

Equality and Diversity Rapid Impact Assessment Tool

<u>Part 1</u>

Date of assessment 01/09/2010	Title of document being assessed Social Work Service Plan 2010-2012
This is a new policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed (If yes please tick box) X	This is an existing policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed? (If yes please tick box)
2) Please give a brief description of the policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed.	Departmental Service Plan as per Corporate requirements
3) What is the intended outcome of this policy, procedure, strategy or practice?	Improving outcomes for service users and carers within a framework of Best Value.
4) Please list any existing documents which have been used to inform this Equality and Diversity Impact Assessment.	Service User and Carer Survey Report 2010
5) Has any consultation, involvement or research with protected characteristic communities informed this assessment? If yes please give details.	A survey of service users and carers has been referred to and is used to inform some performance measures
6) Please give details of council officer involvement in this assessment. (E.g. names of officers consulted, dates of meetings etc)	Ray Wilson, Joyce Barclay Strategy and Performance Service
7) Is there a need to collect further evidence or to involve or consult protected characteristics communities on the impact of the proposed policy?	Nothing noted at present
(Example: if the impact on a community is not known what will you do to gather the information needed and when will you do this?)	

Part 2

Which protected characteristics communities will be positively or negatively affected by this policy, procedure or strategy?

NB Please place an X in the box which best describes the "overall" impact. It is possible for an assessment to identify that a positive policy can have some negative impacts and visa versa. When this is the case please identify both positive and negative impacts in Part 3 of this form.

If the impact on a protected characteristic communities are not known please state how you will gather evidence of any potential negative impacts in box Part 1 section 7 above.

	Positively	Negatively	No Impact	Not Known
Ethnic Minority Communities including Gypsies and Travellers	X			
Gender	Х			
Gender Reassignment	Х			
Religion or Belief	Х			
People with a disability	X			
Age	X			
Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual	X			
Socio-economic	X			
Pregnancy & Maternity	X			
Other (please state)				

Part 3

1) Have any positive impacts been identified? (We must ensure at this stage that we are not achieving equality for one strand of equality at the expense of another)	The strategic direction of this plan is about personalisation of services and improving outcomes, particularly for older people, children and people affected by disability. It is also anticipated it will have an impact on health and socioeconomic improvement
2) Have any negative impacts been identified? (Based on direct knowledge, published research, community involvement, customer feedback etc. If unsure seek advice from your departmental Equality Champion.)	None identified at present
3) What action is proposed to overcome any negative impacts? E.g. involving community groups in the development or delivery of the policy or practice, providing information in community languages etc. see Good Practice on DCC equalities web page	The plan is subject to annual review and any negative impacts that are emerging will be reported in the review along with proposals for further research or change.
4) Is there a justification for continuing with this policy even if it cannot be amended or changed to end or reduce inequality without compromising its intended outcome? (If the policy that shows actual or potential unlawful discrimination you must stop and seek legal advice)	If yes please give further details N/A
5) Has a 'Full' Equality Impact Assessment been recommended? (If the policy is a major one or is likely to have a major impact on protected characteristics communities a Full Equality Impact Assessment may be required) Seek advice from your departmental Equality Champion.	No
6) How will the policy be monitored? (How will you know it is doing what it is intended to do? e.g. data collection, customer survey etc.	Annually by Council Committee

Part 4

Name of Department or Partnership: Social Work

Type of Document	
Human Resource Policy	
General Policy	
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Strategy/Service X

Change Papers/Local Procedure

Guidelines and Protocols

Other

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