# **DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL**

## **Equality and Diversity Rapid Impact Assessment Tool**

# <u>Part 1</u>

Date of assessment 13 September 2010	Title of document being assessed Winter Maintenance Review and Policy and Level of Service 2010/11
1) This is a new policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed (If yes please tick box)	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.	Provision of Winter Maintenance services for 2010/2011.
3) What is the intended outcome of this policy, procedure, strategy or practice?	The Council will fulfil its statutory obligations in relation to the city's public roads to prevent snow and ice endangering the safe passage of pedestrians and vehicles. The policy also makes provision for winter services on other Council owned roads and footpaths to be delivered as conditions require and available resources allow.
4) Please list any existing documents which have been used to inform this Equality and Diversity Impact Assessment.	Roads (Scotland) Act 1984
5) Has any consultation, involvement or research with protected characteristic communities informed this assessment? If yes please give details.	No
Please give details of council officer involvement in this assessment.     (E.g. names of officers consulted, dates of meetings etc)	None
7) Is there a need to collect further evidence or to involve or consult protected characteristics communities on the impact of the proposed policy?	No
(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				
Gender			$\boxtimes$	
Gender Reassignment			$\boxtimes$	
Religion or Belief			$\boxtimes$	
People with a disability				
Age				
Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual			$\boxtimes$	
Socio-economic				
Pregnancy & Maternity				
Other (please state)				

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1) Have any positive impacts been identified? (We must ensure at this stage that we are not achieving equality for one strand of equality	Yes  The policy contained in the report seeks to provide the most extensive winter services possible given the available
at the expense of another)	resources.  Prioritisation of carriageways and footways for treatment means that main bus routes and access to the main medical centres will be the first to receive treatment.  Ensuring public transport flows freely will allow citizens access to work and therefore have a positive socioeconomic impact while ensuring that the main medical facilities can be accessed will benefit those in need of these services.
	Details are given of additional resources to be deployed in severe conditions to clear the private paths of the elderly or disabled.
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.)	No
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	N/A
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)	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.	Review of the level of requests for assistance during the period of the winter service.

#### Part 4

### Name of Department or Partnership: City Development Department

Type of Document

Human Resource Policy	
General Policy	
Strategy/Service	$\boxtimes$
Change Papers/Local Procedure	
Guidelines and Protocols	
Other	

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Date of next policy review: September 2011