DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

Equality and Diversity Rapid Impact Assessment Tool

Part 1

Date of assessment 7/01/2010	Title of document being assessed- Report for Social Work and Health Committee Regarding Home Care Enablement
This is a new policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed YES X	This is an existing policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed? NO
2) Please give a brief description of the policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed.	Extend the enablement approach to the delivery of home care services to improve the level of independence for service users
3) What is the intended outcome of this policy, procedure, strategy or practice?	Enablement type service to be offered through Home Care provision to optimise independence of adult service users with disability, health problems and frailty due to older age.
4) Please list any existing documents which have been used to inform this Equality and Diversity Impact Assessment.	Committee Report No 529-2009 and Committee report 355-2010
5) Has any consultation, involvement or research with protected characteristic communities informed this assessment?	Current Enablement Service Provision has been evaluated and views of service users and carers taken into account.
6) Please give details of council officer involvement in this assessment.	Denise Morton Service Manager Older Peoples Services
7) Is there a need to collect further evidence on the impact of the proposed policy?	No.

Part 2 Which protected characteristics communities will be positively or negatively affected by this policy, procedure or strategy?

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

1) Have any positive impacts been	If yes please give further details
identified? (We must ensure at this stage that we are not achieving equality for one strand of equality at the expense of another)	It is anticipated that Enablement Service will help adult service users who have a disability or are debilitated due to age related conditions. These Service Users will be supported and encouraged to maintain/ regain their independent living skills and to gain new skills. The informal/family carers of the people using the service may benefit if the person they care for becomes more independent.
	There is an additional possible positive impact for those who are at socio-economic disadvantage as they may be assisted to (re)gain budgeting skills and could have fewer expenses than someone who is more dependent.
2) Have any negative impacts	If yes please give further details
been identified? (Based on direct knowledge, published research, community involvement, customer feedback etc)	None
3) What action is proposed to	Please give further details
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	Not needed
4) Is there a justification for	If yes please give further details
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)	not applicable
5) Has a 'Full' Equality Impact	If yes please give further details
Assessment been recommended?	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.	Through service user survey, staff surveys and Service User and staff feedback By collating statistical data about service use and outciomes.

Part 4

Name of Department or Partnership: Social Work Department

Type of Documen	t
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Human Resource Policy	
General Policy	
Strategy/Service	Х
Change Papers/Local Procedure	
Guidelines and Protocols	
Other	

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Date of next policy review:	Annual