



Equality Impact Assessment

Preliminary assessment form v5 / 2013

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The preliminary impact assessment is a quick and easy screening process. It should:

- identify those policies, projects, services, functions or strategies which require a full EIA by looking at:
 - negative, positive or no impact on any of the equality groups
 - opportunity to promote equality for the equality groups
 - data / feedback
- prioritise if and when a full EIA should be completed
- justify reasons for why a full EIA is not going to be completed

Directorate:

Director of HR, legal and performance

**Function e.g. HR,
IS, carers:**

HR

Title of policy, service, function, project or strategy (new or old) :

Apprenticeship Levy Project Plan

Type of policy, service, function, project or strategy:

- Existing
- New / proposed
- Changed

Q1 - What is the aim of your policy, service, function, project or strategy?

The apprenticeship levy is being introduced in April 2017 and will require all employers with a pay bill of more than £3 million to pay into the levy at a rate of 0.5%. PCC's Apprenticeship Levy Project Plan sets out our response for using our apprenticeship levy allocation. Essentially the project aims to:

Consider apprenticeships for all vacant posts at pay band 5

Convert existing employees to an apprenticeship where a clear opportunity to develop skills has been identified

Q2 - Who is this policy, service, function, project or strategy going to benefit or have a detrimental effect on and how?

Apprenticeships are at the centre of the Government's drive to give people of all ages the skills that employers need to grow and compete. It aims to make apprenticeships as accessible as possible to all people from all backgrounds. Apprenticeships are real jobs with training (Equality Analysis: Apprenticeship funding policy from May 2017 - Department for Education publication)

The Department for Education has undertaken an Equality Analysis on the Apprenticeship Levy policy and it has not identified any negative impacts on the groups with protected characteristics.

The reforms aim to support social justice and opportunities for people to undertake quality apprenticeships by providing extra funding support for younger learners, those with learning difficulties and disabilities, care leavers, apprentices from the most disadvantaged areas and those undertaking frameworks in science and engineering subjects.

Q3 - Thinking about each group below, does, or could the policy, service, function, project or strategy have a negative impact on members of the equality groups below?

Group	Negative	Positive / no impact	Unclear
Age	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Race	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transgender	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sexual orientation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Religion or belief	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pregnancy and maternity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other excluded groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If the answer is "negative" or "unclear" consider doing a full EIA

Q4 - Does, or could the policy, service, function, project or strategy help to promote equality for members of the equality groups?

Group	Yes	No	Unclear
Age	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Disability	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Race	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Gender	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Sexual orientation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Religion or belief	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Pregnancy or maternity	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other excluded groups	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If the answer is "no" or "unclear" consider doing a full EIA

Q5 - Do you have any feedback data from the equality groups that influences, affects or shapes this policy, service, function, project or strategy?

Group	Yes	No	Unclear
Age	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Disability	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Race	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Gender	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sexual orientation	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Religion or belief	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pregnancy and maternity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other excluded groups	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If the answer is "no" or "unclear" consider doing a full EIA

Q6 - Using the assessments in questions 3, 4 and 5 should a full assessment be carried out on this policy, service, function or strategy?

yes No

Q7 - How have you come to this decision?

The Department of Education have undertaken an Equality Analysis on the funding policy and PCC is subject to the policy. No adverse impacts have been identified on groups with protected characteristics. The aim of the policy is to encourage employers to offer real jobs and qualifications particularly to groups that have been disadvantaged.

If you have to complete a full EIA please contact the Equalities and diversity team if you require help
 Tel: 023 9283 4789 or email:equalities@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

Q8 - Who was involved in the EIA?

Jon Bell
 Roland Bryant

This EIA has been approved by:

Contact number:

Date:

Please email a copy of your completed EIA to the Equality and diversity team. We will contact you with any comments or queries about your preliminary EIA.

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