

Equality Impact Assessment

Preliminary assessment form 2018

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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
- How are going to mitigate or remove any potential negative impacts
- 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:

HR, legal and performance

Service, function: HR, Pay and Policy

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

Signing up to the Trade Union Congress (TUC) 'Dying to Work' Charter

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 TUC are encouraging organisations to publicly declare how an organisation will support an employee, who is diagnosed with a terminal illness. There are three main areas that the charter asks an organisation to review sickness absence pay and procedures, have an Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) available and provide training for both mangers and HR staff.

Both our policy and process are already in-line with the charter. However in some circumstances it is recognised that in some circumstances it is financially beneficial for an employee with a terminal illness who is in one of the three pension schemes identified to be dismissed under the reason of ill-health, rather than the financial benefits received through 'death in service' under the pension schemes. PCC already provides an EAP and provides training for managers.

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

This will publicly set clear expectations on how PCC will support its employees diagnosed with a terminal illness.

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		*	
Disability		*	
Race		*	
Sex		*	
Gender reassignment		*	
Sexual orientation		*	
Religion or belief		*	
Pregnancy and maternity		*	
Marriage & civil partnership		*	
Other excluded groups		*	

Note:Other excluded groups examples includes,Homeless, rough sleeper and unpaid carers. Many forms of exclusion are linked to financial disadvantage. How will this change affect people on low incomes, in financial crisis or living in areas of greater deprivation?

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

If there are any potential negative impacts on any of the protected characteristics, What have you put in place to mitigate or remove the negative impacts/barriers?

Q4 - Does, or could the policy, service, function, project or strategy help to promote equality for members of the equality groups? e.g. A new service has been created for people with a disability to help them gain employment this would mean that this helps promote equality for the protected characteristic of disability only.

Group	Yes	No	Unclear
Age	*		
Disability	*		
Race	*		
Sex	*		
Gender reassignment	*		
Sexual orientation	*		
Religion or belief	*		
Pregnancy or maternity	*		
Marriage & civil partnership	*		
Other excluded groups	*		

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?

Please add in the text boxes below what feedback / meetings you have attended for each specific protected characteristic

Group	Positive or negative feedback
Age	
Disability	
Race	
Sex	
Gender reassignment	
Sexual orientation	
Religion or belief	
Pregnancy and maternity	
Marriage & civil partnership	
Other excluded groups	

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

\star No

PCC staff-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:<u>equalities@portsmouthcc.gov.uk</u>

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Q7 - How have you come to this decision? Summarise your findings and conclusion below

The 'Dying to Work' Charter, wouldn't impact on any particular group as this charter focuses on the support for anyone with a terminal illness. The requirements of the charter are already in place such as the EAP and training.

Q8 - Who was involved in the EIA?

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PCC staff-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. Telephone: 023 9283 4789, Email: <u>equalities@portsmouthcc.gov.uk</u>

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