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Policy details

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Directorate	PCC Culture Leisure and Regulatory Services
Service	Regulatory service - Portsmouth Port Health Authority
Title of policy, service, function	Portsmouth Port Health Authority at the Portsmouth International Port
Type of policy, service, function	Changed
What is the aim of your policy, service, function, project or strategy?	To explore options in respect to a fully funded fit for purpose Portsmouth Port Health Authority (PPHA) function based at the Portsmouth International Port's (PIP) Border Control Post (BCP) in order to meet the deadline for implementation by His Majesty's Government's (HMG) of the 2023 Border Target Operating Model (BTOM).
Has any consultation been undertaken for this proposal?	no

Equality & diversity - will it have any positive/negative impacts on the protected characteristics?

This section is not applicable to my	
policy	

Crime - Will it make our city safer?

Please expand on the impact your policy/proposal will have, and how you propose to mitigate any negative impacts?	Illegally imported foods impact consumer safety and have a detrimental financial effect on business that comply with the law. With effective border controls in place this will ensure safe and compliant goods enter through the Portsmouth International Port, providing protection to the consumers and businesses within the Portsmouth area and beyond.
How are you going to measure/check the impact of your proposal?	Monitoring of enforcement action. Auditing and reporting to Government agencies including DEFRA, FSA.

Housing - will it provide good quality homes?

This section is not applicable to my	
policy	

Health - will this help promote healthy, safe and independent living?

Please expand on the impact your policy/proposal will have, and how you propose to mitigate any negative impacts?	The controls at the border control post are required to protect the biosecurity of goods entering the Country. These controls will keep the UK safe by defending against plant and animal diseases from abroad, protecting the farming industry and food supply chains. Border controls safeguard the food that we eat and protect the health of the population and animals across the UK. There is always a risk of disease entering the Country at the border. If the checks in place are not adequate or ineffective then this risk is increased.
How are you going to measure/check the impact of your proposal?	Internal monitoring. Auditing and reporting to Central Government Agencies including DEFRA, FSA.

Income deprivation and poverty - will it consider income deprivation and reduce poverty?

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Carbon emissions - will it reduce carbon emissions?

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Energy use - will it reduce energy use?

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Climate change mitigation and flooding - will it proactively mitigate against a changing climate and flooding?

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Natural environment - will it ensure public spaces are greener, more sustainable and well-maintained?

Please expand on the	The biosecurity risks of imported food and animal feed
impact your	into the UK are of great concern. The potential impacts
policy/proposal will	on human and animal health and the associated financial
have, and how you	implications of the steps required to control outbreaks
propose to mitigate	are massive.
any negative	The importance of these controls has been reinforced in
impacts?	recent times, with issues such as avian influenza, foot
	and mouth disease and concerns in respect to African
	swine fever.

How are you going to
measure/check the
impact of your
proposal?

With effective border controls in place the risks are controlled and reduced. The risk assessments of particular risks are determined by central Government departments including DEFRA, FSA, UKHSA.

Air quality - will it improve air quality?

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Transport - will it make transport more sustainable and safer for the whole community?

Please expand on the impact your policy/proposal will have, and how you propose to mitigate any negative impacts?	The Portsmouth International Port relies on the smooth flow of vehicle traffic from the Ferries and onto their onward journey. With the introduction of SPS checks of the food imports from the EU the process will need to be integrated into the ports systems. If a fully functioning Port Health Authority is not in place and a limited service offered, this is likely to lead to delays of the goods vehicles and hold ups in the traffic flow.
How are you going to measure/check the impact of your proposal?	N/A

Waste management - will it increase recycling and reduce the production of waste?

Culture and heritage - will it promote, protect and enhance our culture and heritage?

This section is not applicable to my policy	
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Employment and opportunities - will it promote the development of a skilled workforce?

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Economy - will it encourage businesses to invest in the city, support sustainable growth and regeneration?

Please expand on the impact your policy/proposal will have, and how you propose to mitigate any negative impacts?	The Government Border control strategy requires that certain checks are carried out for imports of food and feed products into the UK. if an appropriate Border Control Post facility is not provided at the port then these goods would not be permitted to enter at that location. The importers of goods using the Portsmouth International Port (PIP) would need to shift their supply route to another route (UK port with a BCP). This would have a major impact on the business and revenue of the PIP. This would likely then further impact employment at the port and reduce the revenue the Council receives which supports other vital services. On a national level disease outbreaks can have extensive economic impact. The cost to the UK food producing industry in terms of disease control, animal culling and reputational damage are huge. With ineffective border controls there would be increased risks and possible liability concerns.
How are you going to measure/check the impact of your proposal?	Auditing via central Government Agencies such As DEFRA, FSA.

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Involvement

Who was involved in the Integrated impact assessment?	Richard Lee, Steve Bell, John Skinner.
Name of the person completing this form	John Skinner
Date of completion	2023-11-06