

# Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration Screening



As a public authority we need to ensure that all our strategies, policies, service and functions, both current and proposed have given proper consideration to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.

A **screening** process can help judge relevance and provides a record of both the **process** and **decision**. Screening should be a short, sharp exercise that determines relevance for all new and revised strategies, policies, services and functions.

Completed at the earliest opportunity it will help to determine:

- the relevance of proposals and decisions to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.
- whether or not equality, diversity, cohesion and integration is being/has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an impact assessment.

<b>Directorate:</b> City Development	<b>Service area:</b> Housing Growth Team
<b>Lead person:</b> Sarah May	<b>Contact number:</b> 3787710

1. Title: **Right to Buy Replacement Funding: Investment to support the delivery of new supply Affordable Housing**

Is this a:

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Strategy / Policy

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Service / Function

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Other

**If other, please specify:** Authority to spend Right to Buy Replacement Funding

## 2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening

Approval of Right to Buy Replacement Funding towards development of new supply rented housing delivered by a range of Affordable Housing Providers.

## 3. Relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration

All the council's strategies/policies, services/functions affect service users, employees or the wider community – city wide or more local. These will also have a greater/lesser relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration.

The following questions will help you to identify how relevant your proposals are.

When considering these questions think about age, carers, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation and any other relevant characteristics (for example socio-economic status, social class, income, unemployment, residential location or family background and education or skills levels).

Questions	Yes	No
Is there an existing or likely differential impact for the different equality characteristics?	X	
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns about the policy or proposal? <i>(please see comments under Action section below)</i>		X
Could the proposal affect how our services, commissioning or procurement activities are organised, provided, located and by whom?		X
Could the proposal affect our workforce or employment practices?		X
Does the proposal involve or will it have an impact on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eliminating unlawful discrimination, victimisation and harassment</li> <li>Advancing equality of opportunity</li> <li>Fostering good relations</li> </ul>		X

If you have answered **no** to the questions above please complete **sections 6 and 7**

If you have answered **yes** to any of the above and;

- Believe you have already considered the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration within your proposal please go to **section 4**.
- Are not already considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration within your proposal please go to **section 5**.

#### 4. Considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration

If you can demonstrate you have considered how your proposals impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration you have carried out an impact assessment.

- **How have you considered equality, diversity, cohesion and integration?**

The focus of the report is the delivery of new affordable housing, supported through Right to Buy Replacement Funding, which has a beneficial impact for a range of equality groups.

The report outlines a range of schemes which provides new supply affordable housing which meets identified need.

- **Key findings**

The activity outlined within the report has a positive impact on the socio-economic, age, disability and carers equality indicators, through the provision of high quality, new supply affordable housing.

- **Actions**

Governance is provided by the Director and Executive Member Lead Boards and Steering Groups, who will continue to monitor progress. Programme managers will be

looking for measurable positive impacts for socio-economic equality groups.
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**5. If you are **not** already considering the impact on equality, diversity, cohesion and integration you **will need to carry out an impact assessment**.**

Date to scope and plan your impact assessment:	n/a
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Date to complete your impact assessment	n/a
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Lead person for your impact assessment (Include name and job title)	n/a
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**6. Governance, ownership and approval**

Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening

Name	Job title	Date
Sarah May	Principal Regeneration Officer	August 2018

**7. Publishing**

This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given. If you are not carrying out an independent impact assessment the screening document will need to be published.

If this screening relates to a **Key Delegated Decision, Executive Board, full Council** or a **Significant Operational Decision** a copy should be emailed to Corporate Governance and will be published along with the relevant report.

A copy of **all other** screening's should be sent to [equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk). For record keeping purposes it will be kept on file (but not published).

<b>Date screening completed</b>	August 2018
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If relates to a Key Decision - <b>date sent to Corporate Governance</b>	
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Any other decision – <b>date sent to Equality Team</b> <b>(<a href="mailto:equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk">equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk</a>)</b>	
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