

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.

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1. Title: Hawksworth Wood Primary School

Is this a:

Strategy / Policy

Service / Function

Other

If other, please specify

To expand Hawksworth Wood Primary School from a capacity of 210 to 420 pupils and permanently increase the admission limit in Reception from 30 to 60 pupils from September 2017.

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

To expand Hawksworth Wood Primary School from a capacity of 210 to 420 pupils and permanently increase the admission limit in Reception from 30 to 60 pupils from September 2017.

This will involve physically expanding the school.

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. Also those areas that impact on or relate to equality: tackling poverty and improving health and well-being.

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?	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">• Eliminating unlawful discrimination, victimisation and harassment• Advancing equality of opportunity• Fostering good relations		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.

Please provide specific details for all three areas below (use the prompts for guidance).

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

(think about the scope of the proposal, who is likely to be affected, equality related information, gaps in information and plans to address, consultation and engagement activities (taken place or planned) with those likely to be affected)

The proposal is to increase the number of places at Hawksworth Wood Primary School. Local demographics were analysed when considering school places in the area, along with parental preference trends and projections, and it was concluded that additional capacity is required. The types of schools in the area were also considered, to ensure we adhere to our legal duty of offering parents choice and diversity.

We consulted those affected on this proposal from 29 February 2016 to 25 March 2016, including parents and carers of pupils at local primary schools, governors and staff at the school, nearby schools, the diocese, Councillors, MPs and local residents. The majority of those who responded (52 out of 61 responses) supported the proposal to increase the admission limit of the school.

- **Key findings**

(think about any potential positive and negative impact on different equality characteristics, potential to promote strong and positive relationships between groups, potential to bring groups/communities into increased contact with each other, perception that the proposal could benefit one group at the expense of another)

Age – a further 210 places will be created in the Kirkstall area for primary children from September 2017 onwards. If the proposal is agreed, the school will grow from Reception upwards over a period of 7 years.

Disability –Any new accommodation would meet DDA guidelines.

Positive impact on ensuring we promote choice and diversity.

- **Actions**

(think about how you will promote positive impact and remove/ reduce negative impact)

If the proposal is taken forward, the extra places will be made available in reception from September 2017, parents will therefore have the option of applying for these places or choosing alternative schools.

During the consultation period, all views and responses were considered equally.

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
Date to complete your impact assessment	n/a
Lead person for your impact assessment (Include name and job title)	n/a

6. Governance, ownership and approval		
Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening		
Name	Job title	Date
Richard Amos	Sufficiency & Participation Manager	1 April 2016
Date screening completed		1 April 2016

7. Publishing	
<p>Though all key decisions are required to give due regard to equality the council only publishes those related to Executive Board, Full Council, Key Delegated Decisions or a Significant Operational Decision.</p> <p>A copy of this equality screening should be attached as an appendix to the decision making report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governance Services will publish those relating to Executive Board and Full Council. • The appropriate directorate will publish those relating to Delegated Decisions and Significant Operational Decisions. • A copy of all other equality screenings that are not to be published should be sent to equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk for record. <p>Complete the appropriate section below with the date the report and attached screening was sent:</p>	
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