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 or has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an impact assessment.

Directorate: City Development	Service area: Asset Management and Regeneration
Lead person: Lee Arnell	Contact number:

1. Title: City Centre Mana	ged Workspace	
Is this a:		
x Strategy / Policy	Service / Function	Other
If other, please specify		

2.	Please provide a	brief description	of what you are screening	g
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This report screens the recommendations contained within the June 27th report on managed workspace in Leeds City Centre.

3. Relevance to equality, diversity, cohesion and integration

All the council's strategies and policies, service and functions affect service users, employees or the wider community – city wide or more local. These will also have a greater or 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	х	
equality characteristics?		
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns about the	х	
policy or proposal?		
Could the proposal affect how our services, commissioning or		х
procurement activities are organised, provided, located and by		
whom?		
Could the proposal affect our workforce or employment		Х
practices?		
Does the proposal involve or will it have an impact on	х	
 Eliminating unlawful discrimination, victimisation and 		
harassment		
 Advancing equality of opportunity 		
 Fostering good relations 		

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 recommendations have been informed by the Inclusive Growth Strategy and have considered ensuring an inclusive city centre economy. All equality characteristics were considered in forming this report, including on inclusive and access. There has been engagement with users of Aire Street and the recommendations drew on consultation from South Bank, Leeds and the inclusive growth strategy.

• 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)

Works to the Engine House will make it compliant with equality legislation. The proposals may impact on current users of Aire Street – which has a high proportion of female led businesses – and new start up businesses. The proposals could offer more opportunity for start up businesses

Actions

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

Further consultation and engagement with users on Aire Street to understand impacts

Further work to define precise opportunities and constraints for new businesses across the city centre.

Further equality screening to take place at the next Executive bOARD

 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:

 Date to complete your impact assessment

 Lead person for your impact assessment (Include name and job title)

6. Governance, ownership and approval Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening		
Name	Job title	Date
Adam Brannen	Head of Regeneration	18 th June 2018
Date screening completed		
		16 th June 2018

7. Publishing

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**.

A copy of this equality screening should be attached as an appendix to the decision making report:

- 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 <u>equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk</u> for record.

Complete the appropriate section below with the date the report and attached screening was sent:

For Executive Board or Full Council – sent to Governance Services	Date sent:18 June 2018
For Delegated Decisions or Significant Operational Decisions – sent to appropriate Directorate	Date sent:
All other decisions – sent to equalityteam@leeds.gov.uk	Date sent: