

## Appendix 2: Equality Impact Assessment

1. Which group (s) of people has been identified as being disadvantaged by your proposals? What are the equality impacts?

No groups have been identified as being disadvantaged by this proposal. The initiative recommended focuses on better meeting the needs of vulnerable homeless households through ensuring access to suitable and affordable private rented accommodation in the Oxford locality.

2. In brief, what changes are you planning to make to your current or proposed new or changed policy, strategy, procedure, project or service to minimise or eliminate the adverse equality impacts?

*Please provide further details of the proposed actions, timetable for making the changes and the person(s) responsible for making the changes on the resultant action plan*

Persons approaching the authority as homelessness, or at risk of homelessness, will continue to be assisted under legislation, guidance, relevant case law, and best practice. Appropriate assessments will be undertaken for persons and their households that are eligible for assistance and where the authority has reason to believe they are homeless and in priority need. Consideration as to protected characteristics of customers will be considered within this process, and action taken to provide the most appropriate advice and assistance to that customers circumstances and needs.

3. Please provide details of whom you will consult on the proposed changes and if you do not plan to consult, please provide the rationale behind that decision.

Please note that you are required to involve disabled people in decisions that impact on them

No groups have been identified as being disadvantaged by this proposal, and it is expected to have a positive impact on many vulnerable homeless households.

4. Can the adverse impacts you identified during the initial screening be justified without making any adjustments to the existing or new policy, strategy, procedure, project or service?

Please set out the basis on which you justify making no adjustments

No adverse impacts, relating to protected characteristics, have been identified.

5. You are legally required to monitor and review the proposed changes after implementation to check they work as planned and to screen for unexpected equality impacts.

Please provide details of how you will monitor/evaluate or review your proposals and when the review will take place

This initiative will be monitored on a regular basis. Any agreements will be monitored at least quarterly, and nominations will be reviewed monthly through operational monitoring and management arrangements.

Lead officer responsible for signing off the EqIA: Dave Scholes, Housing Strategy & Needs Manager. Date: November 2016

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