



Appendix 2 – Diversity Impact Assessment

Service Area: Environmental Development	Section: Pubic Health	Key person responsible for the assessment: G. Eagle	Date of Assessment: 08.06.10	
Is this assessment in the Corporate Equality Impact assessment Timetable for 2008-11?			Yes	<u>No</u>
Name of the Policy to be assessed: Dog Control Orders			Is this a new or existing policy	New
1. Briefly describe the aims, objectives and purpose of the policy	The aim of dog control orders is to have greater control on dogs in public spaces through tighter controls of dog fouling, dogs on lead by direction and banning dogs from play areas.			
2. Are there any associated objectives of the policy, please explain				

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3. Who is intended to benefit from the policy and in what way	<p>The general public are the main beneficiary of the policy. There should be an improvement in the environment through the reduction of dog fouling on the streets and in the parks.</p> <p>There should be a reduction in the risk of out of control dogs by giving officers the power to require dogs to be put on leads and also an increased sense of confidence and freedom for children and their parents in play areas through the exclusion of dogs from these areas.</p>		
4. What outcomes are wanted from this policy? Reduce the amount of dog fouling in the city Minimise the risk to the public by increasing the control over out of control dogs in public places Increased satisfaction with play areas through the exclusion of dogs from these areas.			
5. What factors/forces could contribute/detract from the outcomes?	<p>Staffing resource will have a direct effect on the amount of enforcement. Thames Valley Police PCSO's will be authorised to enforce dog control orders and will increase the amount of enforcement resource available.</p> <p>Dog Control Orders have been successfully implemented in many local authorities across the country.</p>		
6. Who are the key people in relation to the policy?	General Public (both dog owners and non-dog owners) City Council Staff tasked with enforcement of the dog control orders (Environmental Development, Parks & Leisure, Community Safety)	7. Who implements the policy and who is responsible for the policy?	Graham Eagle Ian Wright
8. Could the policy have a differential impact on racial groups?	Y	<u>NO</u>	It is not anticipated that there will be any differential impact on racial groups.
What existing evidence (either presumed or otherwise) do you have for this?		The orders are planned to be implemented across the entire city boundary and therefore not targeting any particular areas or the communities therein. Enforcement will be taken in line with the Council's enforcement policy. It is anticipated that any unperceived issues will be raised during the consultation process.	
9. Could the policy have a differential impact on people due to their gender?	Y	<u>NO</u>	It is not anticipated that there will be any differential impact on people due to their gender.

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<p>10. Could the policy have a differential impact on people due to their disability?</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p><u>NO</u></p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any differential impact on people due to their disability.</p>
<p>What existing evidence (either presumed or otherwise) do you have for this?</p>	<p>Dog Control Orders provide exceptions in particular cases for registered blind people, and for deaf people and for other people with disabilities who make use of trained assistance dogs</p>		
<p>11. Could the policy have a differential impact on people due to their sexual orientation?</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p><u>NO</u></p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any differential impact on people due to their sexual orientation.</p>
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<p>12. Could the policy have a differential impact on people due to their age?</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p><u>NO</u></p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any differential impact on people due to their age.</p>
<p>What existing evidence (either presumed or otherwise) do you have for this?</p>	<p>The orders are planned to be implemented across the entire city boundary and therefore not targeting any particular areas or the communities therein. Enforcement will be taken in line with the Council's enforcement policy. It is anticipated that any unperceived issues will be raised during the consultation process.</p>		
<p>13. Could the policy have a differential impact on people due to their religious belief?</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p><u>NO</u></p>	<p>It is not anticipated that there will be any differential impact on people due to their religious belief.</p>
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14. Could the negative impact identified in 8-13 create the potential for the policy to discriminate against certain groups?	Y	<u>NO</u>	No negative impacts have been identified in 8-13.					
15. Can this adverse impact be justified on the grounds of promoting equality of opportunity for one group? Or any other reason	Y	<u>NO</u>	No negative impacts have been identified in 8-13.					
16. Should the policy proceed to a partial impact assessment	Y	<u>NO</u>	If Yes, is there enough evidence to proceed to a full EIA	Y	N			
			Date on which Partial or Full impact assessment to be completed by					
17. Are there implications for the Service Plans?	Y	<u>NO</u>	18. Date the Service Plan will be updated	N/A	19. Date copy sent to Equalities Officer in Policy, Performance and Communication	N/A		
20. Date reported to Equalities Board:		N/A	Date to Scrutiny and EB	N/A	21. Date published	N/A		

NO

Signed (completing officer) _____

Signed (Lead Officer) _____

Please list the team members and service areas that were involved in this process:

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