Equality and Human Right Impact Assessment: The Form



EHRIA

Aberdeen City Council

Please use this form to any new or revised **policy**, **strategy**, **plan**, **procedure**, **report or business case – referred to as "proposal"**.

If No impact assessment is required, please complete section 7&8 of the form providing the evidence to support your decision.

1:Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment- Essential Information		
Name of Proposal:	Date of Assessment:	
Free School Meals (FSM)	04/05/19	
Service: Education	Directorate: IC&FS	
Committee Name or delegated power reference (Where appropriate):	Date of Committee (Where appropriate):	
Education Operational Delivery Committee	16 th May 2019	
Who does this proposal affect? Please Tick ✓	Employees * Job Applicants	
2: Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment- Pre-screening		
If No impact assessment is required, please complete section 7&8 of the form providing the evidence to support this decision		

3: Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment			
a- What are the aims and intended effects of this proposal?	To raise revenue to the Council through the Scottish government's PEF initiative to improve attainment, reduce the poverty related attainment gap and realise the ambitions of the LOIP. To provide free meals during the school holidays to pupils in receipt of/eligible for free school meals		
b- What equality data is available in relation to this proposal? (Please see guidance notes)	A national gap in attainment between those living in SIMD 1&2 compared to those living in SIMD 9 &10.		
c- List the outcomes from any consultation that relate to equalities and/or human rights issues e.g. with employees, service users, Unions or members of the public that has taken place in relation to the proposal.			
d- Financial Assessment	Costs (£) Cost neutral to ACC		
If applicable, state any relevant cost implications or savings expected from the proposal.	Implementation cost £		

	Projected Savings £				
e- How does this proposal contribute to the public sector equality duty: to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation; advance equality of opportunity; and foster good relations?					
The proposal may impact on how effectively we close the poverty related attainment gap.					
f- How does this proposal link to the Council's Equality Outcomes?					
The proposal has the potential to advance equality of opportunity by:					
 removing or minimising disadvantage caused by poverty 					

4: Equality Impact Assessment – Test

What impact will implementing this proposal have on employees, service users or other people who share characteristics protected by *The Equality Act 2010* ?

Protected Characteristic:	Neutral Impact: Please √	Positive Impact: Please √	Negative Impact: Please $$	Evidence of impact and if applicable, justification where a 'Genuine Determining Reason'* exists *(see completion terminology)
Age (People of all ages)	\bigvee			The Pupil Equity Fund aims to improve the outcomes of some of the most vulnerable who are eligible for free school meals.
Disability (Mental, Physical, Sensory and Carers of Disabled people)		V		Schools are guided to look at the needs of individuals and identify any barriers to their achievement. This approach has the potential to significantly and positively impact on a number of individuals as support will be tailored to
Gender Reassignment		\checkmark		their very individual needs.
Marital Status (Marriage and Civil Partnerships)	\checkmark			The most significant and overarching aim is to address the poverty related attainment gap.
Pregnancy and Maternity	\checkmark			
Race (All Racial Groups including Gypsy/Travellers)	\checkmark			
Religion or Belief or Non- belief	\checkmark			

Sex (Women and men)	\checkmark	
Sexual Orientation (Heterosexual, Lesbian, Gay And Bisexual)	\checkmark	
Other (e.g: Poverty)	√	

Does this proposal have the potential to impact on an individual's Human Rights? Evidence of impact and , if applicable, justification where the impact is proportionate

Article	Evidence
Article 2 of protocol 1: Right to education	
Yes No	
Article 3: Right not to be subjected to torture, inhumane or degrading treatment or punishment	
Yes No	

Article 6	: Right to a fair and public hearing	
Yes	Νο	
Article 8 correspo	: Right to respect for private and family life, home and ondence	
Yes	Νο	
Article 1	0: Freedom of expression	
Yes	Νο	
Article 1	4: Right not to be subject to discrimination	
Yes	Νο	
Other ar	ticle not listed above, please state:	

7- EHRIA Summary and Action Planning					
Report Title	Free School meals				
Assessment not required	The Committee Report outlines the Council's approach to increasing the number of pupil claiming free school meal entitlement thereby increasing PEF funding to the city and addressing the poverty related attainment gap with the long term impact of improving attainment.				
	The report further outlines the Council's approach to providing meals outwith school term time to pupils who are entitled to free school meals.				
	All actions being proposed have the potential to improve the longer term outcomes of individual citizens and will strengthen our approach to understanding how vulnerable groups perform in our current system to inform next steps.				
A	29 th March 2018				
Assessment completed			Completion		

8: Sign off		
Completed by (Names and Services) :	Caroline Johnstone (Integrated Children's and Family Services)	
Signed off by (Head of Service) :	Eleanor Sheppard, Chief Education Officer	
Only sections 7 and 8 will be attached to the committee report The full EHRIA will be published on Aberdeen City Council's website under <u>http://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/xeq_EHRIA_Search.asp</u> Please send an electronic format of the full EHRIA without signature to <u>SHoward@aberdeencity.gov.uk</u>		