Equality Impact Analysis Screening Tool

Section 1: Introduction

Name of proposal

For the purpose of this document, 'proposal' refers to a policy, function, strategy or project

Markets & Street Trading Fees

Service area and Directorate responsible

Parking, mobility and market services, Public Realm, Communities Directorate

Name of completing officer

Damian Patchell – Markets & Street Trading Manager
Head of Service

Damian Patchell – Markets & Street Trading Manager; Michael Darby – Head of parking, mobility and markets

The Equality Act 2010 places a 'General Duty' on all public bodies to have 'due regard' to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited under the Act
- Advance equality of opportunity between those with 'protected characteristics' and those without them
- Foster good relations between those with 'protected characteristics' and those without them

This Equality Impact Analysis provides evidence for meeting the Council's commitment to equality and the responsibilities outlined above. For more information about the Council's commitment to equality, please visit the Council's website.

Section 2: Summary of proposal being screened

Describe the proposal including the relevance of proposal to the general equality duties and protected characteristics under the Equality Act 2010

Fees and charges are reviewed annually as part of the financial and business planning process. This ensures that they are set at the appropriate level for the prevailing economic circumstances and represent good practice in terms of the Council's aim to provide value for money.

The proposal is to increase Street Trading Fee's by approximately 3.1%, below the established 9% when the fees were calculated. The lower increase supports the Mayor's commitment to boost business, and specifically to support markets.

The council does not hold information on market traders by protected characteristic.

The proposal is to increase fees by the same proportion for all street and market traders across all markets in the borough.

There is no direct or indirect disproportionate impact of these proposals to market traders based on any protected characteristics.

Section 3: Equality Impact Analysis screening

Is there a risk that the policy, proposal or activity being screened disproportionately adversely impacts (directly or indirectly) on any of the groups of people listed below? Please consider the impact on overall communities, residents, service users and Council employees. This should include people of different:	Yes	No	Comments
Sex		\boxtimes	
■ Age		\boxtimes	
■ Race		\boxtimes	
 Religion or Philosophical belief 		\boxtimes	
Sexual Orientation		\boxtimes	
 Gender re-assignment status 		\boxtimes	
People who have a Disability		\boxtimes	

(physical, learning difficulties, mental health and medical conditions)		
 Marriage and Civil Partnerships status 	\boxtimes	
 People who are Pregnant and on Maternity 	\boxtimes	
People who have Care Experience	\boxtimes	
You should also consider:	\boxtimes	
Parents and Carers		
Socio-economic status		
 People with different Gender Identities e.g. Gender fluid, Non-binary etc. 		
■ Other		

If you have answered **Yes** to one or more of the groups of people listed above, **a full Equality Impact Analysis is required.** The only exception to this is if you can 'justify' the discrimination (Section 4).

Section 4: Justifying discrimination

Are all risks of inequalities identified capable of being justified because there is a:	
(i) Genuine Reason for implementation	
(ii) The activity represents a <i>Proportionate Means</i> of achieving a <i>Legitimate Council Aim</i>	
(iii) There is a Genuine Occupational Requirement for the council to implement this activity	

Section 5: Conclusion

Before answering the next question, please note that there are generally only two reasons a full Equality Impact Analysis is not required. These are:

• The proposal is likely to have **no or minimal impact** on the groups listed in section three of this document.

Conclusion details

Based on your screening does a full Equality Impact Analysis need to be performed?

Yes	No
	\boxtimes

If you have answered **YES** to this question, please complete a full Equality Impact Analysis for the proposal

If you have answered **NO** to this question, please detail your reasons in the 'Comments' box below

Comments