

EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

SCREENING DOCUMENT

Name of Proposal

POLICY FOR MANAGING UNAUTHORISED
ENCAMPMENTS OF GYPSY TRAVELLERS IN ANGUS

Lead Department/Service

COMMUNITIES DIRECTORATE

What is the aim of the proposal?

The policy aims to detail the councils multi agency approach and actions to be taken in the event of an unauthorised Gypsy Traveller encampment in Angus

Is this a new or a review of an existing policy, procedure, function or report?

New policy and statement.

Screening Process

1. Has the proposal already been assessed for its impact on age; disability; gender; gender re-assignment; pregnancy/maternity; marriage and civil partnership; race; religion and belief; and sexual orientation? **If yes, go to 1 a. If no, go to 1 b.**

1 a. Unless there have been significant changes, no further action is required. **Please add your name, position and date below at 3.**

1 b. Does the proposal involve or have consequences for the people the council serves or employs? **If yes, go to 2. If no, go to 1 c.**

1 c. Please state why not

The proposal is not relevant and no further action is required. Sign and date below at 3.

2. Is the proposal relevant to one or more of the protected characteristics? **If yes, go to 2 a. If no, go to 2 b.**

2 a. Proceed to Step 1 of the Full Equality Impact Assessment on page 2.

2 b. Please state why not

The proposal not relevant and no further action is required. Add your name, position and date below at 3.

3. Name:

Position:

Date:

FULL EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Step 1

Are there any statutory legal requirements affecting this proposal? If so please describe.

Equalities Act 2010
Human Rights Act 1998
Act of Sederunt (Summary Cause Rules) 2002 (Action for Removing)

Step 2

What data/research is available to assess the likely impact of the proposal?

Consultation (Sep/Oct 2015) - no negative responses arising from this consultation.
Scottish Executive Guidelines for Managing Unauthorised Camping by Gypsies/Travellers in Scotland.

Step 3

Is there any reason to believe the proposal could affect people differently due to their protected characteristic ie age; disability; gender; gender re-assignment; pregnancy/maternity; marriage and civil partnership; race; religion and belief; and sexual orientation? Please **place a cross** in each box that applies, and give details alongside.

Age	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Disability	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Gender	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Gender Re-assignment	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Pregnancy/maternity	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Marriage and civil Partnership	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Race	X	Gypsies/Travellers have ethnic minority status
_____		_____
Religion and belief	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Sexual orientation	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

Step 4

Is there evidence to suggest that any part of the proposal could unlawfully discriminate against people? If so, how?

NO

Step 5

Can the proposal be seen to favour one section of the community

Yes No X

or deny opportunities to another?

Yes No X

If yes, please give details.

Step 6

Does the proposal advance or restrict equality?

Yes No

If yes, give details

The policy is designed to achieve a balanced, fair and equal response regarding unauthorised encamping for both the settled and travelling communities.

Step 7

Are there any other actions which could have been taken to enhance equality of opportunity?

If so please state

Step 8

Based on the work you have done, rate the level of relevance being allocated to this proposal.

High Medium Low Unknown

Step 9

If during **Steps 3 - 6** there has been an adverse impact identified, consider whether this can be justified.

Yes No

If yes please give details.

If no, consider alternative ways of delivering the proposal to minimise negative impact or eliminate unlawful discrimination. Give details of the changes to be made to the proposal.

Step 10

Do you need to carry out a further impact assessment?

Yes No

If yes, what actions do you need to take?

Step 11

Make arrangements to monitor and review the impact assessment.

This EIA will be reviewed after one year along with the policy.

Reviews will also take place when there are significant changes to legislation/policy at a national level.

Step 12

Publish impact assessment.

Where will the Equality Impact Assessment be published?

The EIA will be published alongside the committee report referring to the Policy and Procedure for Managing Unauthorised Encampments of Gypsies/Travellers in Angus.

Please state your name, position and date, and forward this pro forma either to your designated Equality Impact Assessment Co-ordinator, or if it refers to a committee report, it should be forwarded with the report to committee services.

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