

### Equality Impact/Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment Form

# Step1 Name of Proposal

Budget savings LDS 1 – Legal and Democratic Services reduction in supplies and services budget - Savings identified from Digital Reprographics Unit (DRU) running costs

### Step 2

Is this only a **screening** Equality Impact Assessment Yes **(A)** If Yes, please choose from the following options **all** reasons why a full EIA/FSD is not required:

(i)It does not impact on people Yes

(ii)It is a percentage increase in fees which has no differential impact on protected characteristics n/a

(iii)It is for information only n/a

(iv)It is reflective e.g. of budget spend over a financial year Yes

(v)It is technical n/a

If you have answered yes to any of points above, please go to **Step 16**, and sign off the Assessment.

**(B)** If you have answered No to the above, please indicate the following:

Is this a full Equality Impact Assessment

Yes/No
Is this a Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment

Yes/No

If you have answered Yes to either or both of the above, continue with Step 3.

If your proposal is a <u>strategy</u> please ensure you complete Step 13 which is the Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment.

### Step 3

(i)Lead Directorate/Service:

(ii)Are there any <b>relevant</b> sta describe.	atutory req	uirements affect	ing this	proposal?	If so, pl	ease
(iii)What is the aim of the prop	osal? Pleas	se give full details	<b>3</b> .			
(iv)Is it a new proposal?	Yes/No	Please indicate	OR			
Is it a review of e.g. an existing procedure or function? Yes		iving, report, stra ease indicate	tegy, po	licy, service	e review,	
Step 4: Which people does	your propo	osal involve or h	nave co	nsequence	es for?	
Please indicate all which apply	<b>y</b> :					
Employees	Yes/No					
Job Applicants	Yes/No					
Service users	Yes/No					
Members of the public	Yes/No					
Step 5: List the evidence/da to data sources, information could include:						
Internal data (e.g. customer s complaints).	satisfaction	surveys; equality	monitor	ing data; c	ustomer	
Internal consultation (e.g. wi	ith staff, trad	de unions and ar	y other	services af	fected).	
<b>External data</b> (e.g. Census, erresearch, available statistics)	quality repo	rts, equality evid	ence find	der, perforn	nance rep	orts,

<b>External consultation</b> (e.g. partner organisations, national organisations, community groups, other councils.
Other (general information as appropriate).
Step 6: Evidence Gaps.
Are there any gaps in the equality information you currently hold?  Yes/No
If yes, please state what they are, and what measures you will take to obtain the evidence you need.
Step 7: Are there potential differential impacts on protected characteristic groups? Please complete for each group, including details of the potential impact on those affected. Please remember to take into account any particular impact resulting from Covid-19.
Please state if there is a potentially positive, negative, neutral or unknown impact for each group. Please state the reason(s) why.
Age
<u>Impact</u>
Disability
<u>Impact</u>
Gender reassignment
<u>Impact</u>
Marriage and Civil Partnership
<u>Impact</u>
Pregnancy/Maternity
<u>Impact</u>

Race - (includes Gypsy Travellers)
<u>Impact</u>
Religion or Belief
<u>Impact</u>
Sex
<u>Impact</u>
Sexual orientation
<u>Impact</u>
Step 8: Consultation with any of the groups potentially affected
If you have consulted with any group potentially affected, please give details of how this was done and what the results were.
If you have not consulted with any group potentially affected, how have you ensured that
you can make an informed decision about mitigating action of any negative impact (Step 9)?
Step 9: What mitigating steps will be taken to remove or reduce potentially negative impacts?
Step 10: If a potentially negative impact has been identified, please state below the justification.
Step 11: In what way does this proposal contribute to any or all of the public sector equality duty to: eliminate unlawful discrimination; advance equality of opportunity; and foster good relations between people of different protected characteristics?

## Step 12: Is there any action which could be taken to advance equalities in relation to this proposal?

### **Step 13: FAIRER SCOTLAND DUTY**

This step is only applicable to **strategies** which are key, high level decisions. If your proposal is **not** a strategy, please leave this Step blank, and go to Step 14.

Links to data sources, information etc which you may find useful are in the Guidance.

Step 13(A) What evidence do you have about any socio-economic disadvantage/inequalities of outcome in relation to this strategic issue?

Step 13(B) Please state if there are any gaps in socio-economic evidence for this strategy and how you will take measures to gather the evidence you need.

Step 13(C) Are there any potential impacts this strategy may have specifically on the undernoted groupings? Please remember to take into account any particular impact resulting from Covid-19.

Please state if there is a potentially positive, negative, neutral or unknown impact for each grouping.

**Low and/or No Wealth** (e.g. those with enough money to meet basic living costs and pay bills but have no savings to deal with any unexpected spends and no provision for the future.

#### **Impact**

**Material Deprivation** (i.e. those unable to access basic goods and services e.g. repair/replace broken electrical goods, warm home, leisure and hobbies).

### **Impact**

**Area Deprivation** (i.e. where people live (e.g. rural areas), or where they work (e.g. accessibility of transport).

### <u>Impact</u>

<b>Socio-economic Background</b> i.e. social class including parents' education, people's employment and income.
<u>Impact</u>
Other – please indicate
Step 13(D) Please state below if there are measures which could be taken to reduce socio-economic disadvantage/inequalities of outcome.
Step 14: What arrangements will be put in place to monitor and review the Equality Impact/Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment?
Step 15: Where will this Equality Impact/Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment be published?
Step 16: Sign off and Authorisation. Please state name, post, and date for each:
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NB. There are several worked examples of separate EIA and FSD Assessments in the Guidance which may be of use to you.