

**Tameside & Glossop Strategic Commission  
Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) Form**

<b>Subject / Title</b>	Consultation on Introducing a Public Space protection Order in Ashton-under-Lyne Town Centre	
<b>Team</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Directorate</b>
Community Safety	Community Safety & Homelessness	Place
<b>Start Date</b>		<b>Completion Date</b>
1 November 2022		1 November 2025
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<b>Contract / Commissioning Manager</b>	John Gregory, Head of community Safety & Homelessness	
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John Gregory	Head of Service	Community Safety

**PART 1 – INITIAL SCREENING**

*An Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) is required for all formal decisions that involve changes to service delivery and/or provision. Note: all other changes – whether a formal decision or not – require consideration for an EIA.*

*The Initial screening is a quick and easy process which aims to identify:*

- *those projects, proposals and service or contract changes which require a full EIA by looking at the potential impact on, or relevance to, any of the equality groups*
- *prioritise if and when a full EIA should be completed*
- *explain and record the reasons why it is deemed a full EIA is not required*

*A full EIA should always be undertaken if the project, proposal and service / contract change is likely to have an impact upon, or relevance to, people with a protected characteristic. This should be undertaken irrespective of whether the impact or relevancy is major or minor, or on a large or small group of people. If the initial screening concludes a full EIA is not required, please fully explain the reasons for this at 1e and ensure this form is signed off by the relevant Contract / Commissioning Manager and the Assistant Director / Director.*

<b>1a.</b>	<b>What is the project, proposal or service / contract change?</b>	To consult the public on a proposal to introduce a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO)
<b>1b.</b>	<b>What are the main aims of the project, proposal or service / contract change?</b>	To gather views from the public on a proposal to introduce a PSPO in Ashton town centre, designed to help tackle anti-social behaviour

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**1c. Will the project, proposal or service / contract change have either a direct or indirect impact on, or relevance to, any groups of people with protected equality characteristics?**

**Where there is a direct or indirect impact on, or relevance to, a group of people with protected equality characteristics as a result of the project, proposal or service / contract change please explain why and how that group of people will be affected.**

Protected Characteristic	Direct Impact /Relevance	Indirect Impact / Relevance	Little / No Impact/Relevance	Explanation
Age			X	
Disability			X	
Ethnicity			X	
Sex			X	
Religion or Belief			X	
Sexual Orientation			X	
Gender Reassignment			X	
Pregnancy & Maternity			X	
Marriage & Civil Partnership			X	

**Other protected groups determined locally by Tameside and Glossop Strategic Commission?**

Group (please state)	Direct Impact/Relevance	Indirect Impact/Relevance	Little / No Impact/Relevance	Explanation
Mental Health		X		The proposed order prohibits certain activities which could adversely effect those people who are currently choosing to sleep rough in the borough. There is a risk that these people may not be able to express their views through the consultation process
Carers			X	
Military Veterans			X	
Breast Feeding			X	

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<p><b>Are there any other groups who you feel may be impacted by the project, proposal or service/contract change or which it may have relevance to?</b></p> <p><i>(e.g. vulnerable residents, isolated residents, those who are homeless)</i></p>				
Group (please state)	Direct Impact/Relevance	Indirect Impact/Relevance	Little / No Impact/Relevance	Explanation
Low or no income groups		<b>X</b>		Individuals who choose to sleep rough in the borough may not be able to express their views through the public consultation

*“Low or no income groups” should be included as a key consideration when assessing the impact of your project, proposal, policy or service/contract change.*

*Wherever a direct or indirect impact or relevance has been identified you should consider undertaking a full EIA or be able to adequately explain your reasoning for not doing so. Where little / no impact or relevance is anticipated, this can be explored in more detail when undertaking a full EIA.*

<b>1d.</b>	<b>Does the project, proposal or service / contract change require a full EIA?</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
			<b>X</b>
<b>1e.</b>	<b>What are your reasons for the decision made at 1d?</b>	<p>The risks that some groups who might be affected by the draft order may not be able to express their views through the consultation have been mitigated in 2 ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key workers have spoken to all known rough sleepers &amp; asked if they wish to contribute to the consultation. The number of rough sleepers in Tameside is currently very low and no-one wished to express a view.</li> <li>• The consultation was widely publicised &amp; the response process was streamlined to encourage as many responses as possible. 522 responses were received to the consultation which is a high level of engagement &amp; shows that the risk of non-engagement for affected individuals was kept to a minimum.</li> </ul>	

*If a full EIA is required please progress to Part 2.*