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Assessments

Title of proposed EIA	Conservation Area's Review and Balsall Heath Proposal
Reference No	EQUA597
EA is in support of	Amended Policy
Review Frequency	No preference
Date of first review	04/02/2025
Directorate	Inclusive Growth
Division	Planning and Development
Service Area	City Design & Development Plans
Responsible Officer(s)	Andrew Lindop
Quality Control Officer(s)	Andrew Fuller
Accountable Officer(s)	Andrew Fuller
Purpose of proposal	To Consult on proposed changes to conservation areas within Birmingham
Data sources	Survey(s); Consultation Results; relevant reports/strategies
Please include any other sources of data	
ASSESS THE IMPACT AGAINST THE PROTECTED CHARACTERISTICS	
Protected characteristic: Age	Not Applicable
Age details:	
Protected characteristic: Disability	Service Users / Stakeholders
Disability details:	The main contents of this report have already been assessed in a previous EIA Assessment REF EA002061. However the same issues highlighted then still apply, and also apply to a new conservation area in Balsall Heath. Namely that the designation/ amendment of a conservation area might potentially create an issue for people with disabilities. ie by making the adaptation of properties more difficult and expensive through tighter planning controls and additional fees. There are however examples of where improvements have been made to conservation areas without detracting from the areas historic character. There is also national guidance to help and support people adapting their property, as well as disabled facilities grants.
Protected characteristic: Sex	Not Applicable
Gender details:	
Protected characteristics: Gender Reassignment	Not Applicable
Gender reassignment details:	
Protected characteristics: Marriage and Civil Partnership	Not Applicable
Marriage and civil partnership details:	
Protected characteristics: Pregnancy and Maternity	Not Applicable
Pregnancy and maternity details:	
Protected characteristics: Race	Not Applicable
Race details:	
Protected characteristics: Religion or Beliefs	Not Applicable
Religion or beliefs details:	
Protected characteristics: Sexual Orientation	Not Applicable
Sexual orientation details:	
Socio-economic impacts	
Please indicate any actions arising from completing this screening exercise.	links should be made available during any consultation to national guidance on disability adaptations, as well as disabled facilities grants.
Please indicate whether a full impact assessment is recommended	NO
What data has been collected to facilitate the assessment of this policy/proposal?	
Consultation analysis	
Adverse impact on any people with protected characteristics.	

Could the policy/proposal be modified to reduce or eliminate any adverse impact?

How will the effect(s) of this policy/proposal on equality be monitored?

What data is required in the future?

Are there any adverse impacts on any particular group(s)

No

If yes, please explain your reasons for going ahead.

Initial equality impact assessment of your proposal

Consulted People or Groups

Informed People or Groups

Summary and evidence of findings from your EIA

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QUALITY CONTORL SECTION

Submit to the Quality Control Officer for reviewing?

Yes

Quality Control Officer comments

The data and evidence submitted is sound and raises no issues.

Decision by Quality Control Officer

Proceed for final approval

Submit draft to Accountable Officer?

No

Decision by Accountable Officer

Approve

Date approved / rejected by the Accountable Officer

24/11/2020

Reasons for approval or rejection

The proposal raises no issues concerning any of the protected characteristics and therefore can be fully supported.

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Yes

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