

Project Title: Smokefree Generation Section 31 Grant – for enhanced local stop smoking support services and support				
Department: Strategic, Equality and Partnerships	Team: Public Health		Person Responsible for assessment: Becky Pollard, Assistant Director of Public Health	
Date of assessment: 28/03/2024		Is it a new or existing proposal? new proposal		
<p>Brief description of the proposal: Approval is sought to progress to Cabinet approval for the acceptance of additional ringfenced grant funding for 2024/25 from the Department of Health and Social Care to enhance and develop local stop smoking services and support. The additional grant of £1,676,048 will support the Public Health Division's additional planned procurement for Smoking Cessation services in adherence to the recently introduced Provider Selection Regime with a Direct Award Process being followed. The Cabinet Meeting that is being worked to will be held on 23rd April 2024. The Adults Team will seek to engage providers with a targeted approach before and during any new procurement processes to mitigate the risk of low engagement with the tender opportunity. The Adults Team will use this additional funding alongside its existing Public Health Ring Fenced Grant smoking cessation budget to increase service provision. It will have no impact on the General Fund.</p>				
Potential impacts of the policy/development decision/procedure/ on:	Positive Impact	Negative Impact	No Specific Impact	What will the impact be? If the impact is negative, how can it be mitigated, what action will be taken?
Natural Resources- Impact on natural resources including water, soil, air			✓	No specific impact.
Energy use and CO ₂ emissions	✓			By increasing more local services it is hoped to reduce the number of journeys citizens will have to travel to access services, reducing carbon emissions associated with travel.
Impact on local green and open spaces and biodiversity			✓	No specific impact.
Use of sustainable products and equipment		✓		The smoking cessation service offers Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) and vapes to service users.

				NRT packaging is mostly recyclable, however the vapes available as part of the service do include both reusable and disposable options. Disposable vapes and batteries are recyclable but must be taken to a dedicated disposal centre. We are aware of a partnership between a vape company and Veolia that specialises in safe battery disposal which we will sign post our smoking cessation providers to.
Minimising waste		✓		Same as above.
Council plan priority: a city that takes a leading role in tackling climate change			✓	No specific impact. However, by having a wider geographical coverage of smoking cessation service providers Birmingham citizens will have more choice. This could result in service users not travelling as far to access these services. This would result in shorter and fewer journeys which feeds into the wider Council plan priority regarding tackling climate change and delivering the Route to Zero aspirations.
Overall conclusion on the environmental and sustainability impacts of the proposal	In summary there are mostly no specific impacts apart from use of sustainable products and equipment which we plan to mitigate impact through promoting recycling and raising awareness of recycling schemes.			

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