

Title of proposed EIA	Public Consultation on the Development Management in Birmingham (DMB) DPD
Reference No	EQUA213
EA is in support of	New Policy
Review Frequency	Six Months
Date of first review	01/07/2019
Directorate	Economy
Division	Planning and Development
Service Area	
Responsible Officer(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Martin Dando
Quality Control Officer(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Richard Woodland
Accountable Officer(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Ian MacLeod
Purpose of proposal	Sets out non-strategic planning policies for the determination of planning applications.
What sources of data have been used to produce the screening of this policy/proposal?	Consultation Results; relevant reports/strategies; relevant research
Please include any other sources of data	
PLEASE ASSESS THE POTENTIAL IMPACT ON THE FOLLOWING PROTECTED CHARACTERISTICS	
Protected characteristic: Age	Wider Community
Age details:	See 'Consulted People or Groups' section
Protected characteristic: Disability	Wider Community
Disability details:	The document is part of a suite of local plan documents which seek to plan for the development needs of all including the needs of people with disabilities. Detailed technical design matters and needs are addressed in specific dedicated documents e.g. Access for People with Disabilities SPD.
Protected characteristic: Gender	Wider Community
Gender details:	See 'Consulted People or Groups' section
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	Wider Community
Pregnancy and maternity details:	See Disability Section
Protected characteristics: Race	Wider Community

Race details:	See 'Consulted People or Groups' section
Protected characteristics: Religion or Beliefs	Wider Community
Religion or beliefs details:	See 'Consulted People or Groups' section. The DMB document contains a draft policy for consultation on Places of Worship to provide policy for the positive provision and location of such places.
Protected characteristics: Sexual Orientation	Not Applicable
Sexual orientation details:	
Please indicate any actions arising from completing this screening exercise.	The Equalities Analysis will be updated following the completion and analysis of consultation comments.
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	The decision by Cabinet at this stage is to approve plans for consultation - the Equality Analysis will be updated following the completion and subsequent analysis of consultation comments.
Adverse impact on any people with protected characteristics.	The interim analysis is that the updated policies will have a positive impact on all community groups - that assumption will be tested through the consultation process.
Could the policy/proposal be modified to reduce or eliminate any adverse impact on any particular group(s)?	The consultation will determine whether the policy needs to be modified.
How will the effect(s) of this policy/proposal on equality be monitored?	Not applicable at this stage.
What data is required in the future to ensure effective monitoring of this policy/proposal?	Not applicable for consultation process.
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	The assessment is for a consultation document for the Development Management in Birmingham DPD (DMB) which sets out non-strategic planning policies for the determination of planning applications. This, in turn, will replace the remaining saved policies

of the Birmingham Unitary Development Plan (2005) and will therefore be one of the Council's key planning policy documents. The purpose of this consultation document is to invite comments on the preferred approach and alternatives which will then inform the preparation of the next stage of the DMB document. The DMB will support the adopted Birmingham Development Plan (2017) (BDP) which itself was subject to an Equalities Analysis which concluded that the BDP met the Council's responsibilities in relation to equality and in seeking to promote equality through its vision, objectives and policies.

The DMB contains proposed policies which have been informed by an evidence base and will secure positive outcomes for all local communities and businesses in ensuring the sustainability of future development across the City. This includes policies which will secure environmental, social and economic improvement for communities, local businesses and local centres as well as assisting in better connectivity and communications.

The DMB is subject to a Sustainability Appraisal (SA) which, in itself examines the economic, social and environmental impacts of the policies within the document. The SA has concluded that the policies within the document have either a significant positive effect or minor positive effect on the following social indicators: SOC1 ensuring equitable access to community services and facilities, SOC2 providing decent and affordable housing for all to meet local needs, SOC3 promoting health and well-being, SOC4 reducing crime, the fear of crime and antisocial behaviour and SOC5 enabling communities to influence the decisions that affect their neighbourhoods and quality of life.

The Consultation begins in February 2019 for an 8 week period and will be carried out in line with the Council's Statement of Community

	<p>Involvement (SCI) so that all communities and individuals are given the opportunity to comment and contribute towards the evolution of the document. A Consultation Statement has been produced to accompany the Document which sets out how consultation has been carried out so far, how it has effected the evolution of the document and how it will be carried out further during this period.</p> <p>The consultation itself and the proposed policies within it are in line with the City Council's Equality objectives in creating a City that is fair and prosperous through improving well being and safety as well as aiming to reduce poverty. The consultation itself also ensures that local people are engaged in council decision making in a democratic way.</p>
Consulted People or Groups	<p>The decision of Cabinet at this stage is to approve the public consultation on the draft Development Management in Birmingham (DMB) document. A consultation statement is being developed to set out how the public consultation will be carried out, meeting the requirements of relevant guidance and best practice including the principles set out in the Statement of Community Involvement (2008). The approach to public consultation will be City wide but made as relevant as possible to the community profile (ensuring protected characteristics inform the approach, such as Age, Gender, and Race). Relevant organisations with an interest in equalities issues will also be consulted.</p> <p>The broad range of stakeholders relevant to the DMB will all be informed about the draft document (e.g. through emails, letters, press release, etc), with further wider consultation proposed during the consultation period particularly via BeHeard.</p>
Informed People or Groups	See 'Consulted People or Groups' section
Summary and evidence of findings from your EIA	

A Full Assessment is not needed at this stage for the Development Management in Birmingham document.

The results of the public consultation on the draft document will be used to update the Equalities Analysis and inform the final version of the DMB both when it is brought forward for adoption by the City Council later on in 2019.

#### QUALITY CONTORL SECTION

Submit to the Quality Control Officer for reviewing?

No

Quality Control Officer comments

Decision by Quality Control Officer

Proceed for final approval

Submit draft to Accountable Officer?

Yes

Decision by Accountable Officer

Date approved / rejected by the Accountable Officer

Reasons for approval or rejection

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Yes

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