

Title of proposed EIA

City Centre PSPO

Reference No

EQUA756

EA is in support of

New Function

Review Frequency

Annually

Date of first review

23/11/2022

Directorate

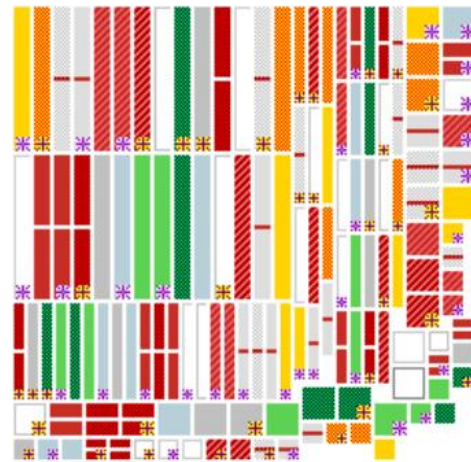
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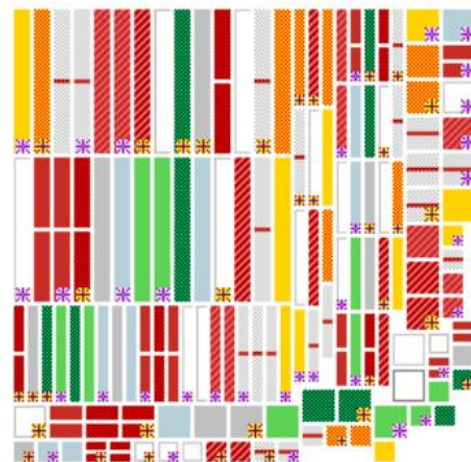
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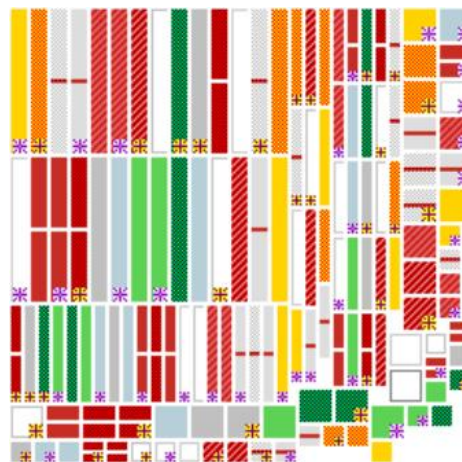
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Purpose of proposal

Equality Assessment for City Centre PSPO

Data sources

Survey(s); Consultation Results;  
Interviews; relevant reports/strategies;  
Other (please specify)

Please include any other sources of data

Police Data and statements from  
partners, businesses and members of the  
public.

ASSESS THE IMPACT AGAINST THE PROTECTED  
CHARACTERISTICS

Protected characteristic: Age

Impact Neutral

Age details:

Protected characteristic: Disability

Positive Impact:

Those with a disability, learning disability and who suffer mental ill health are often affected the most due to their vulnerabilities. The introduction of the PSPO will help reduce ASB in the City Centre making it a more welcoming and safer environment.

Negative Impact:

The PSPO could adversely impact those with mental health concerns and those

with alcohol dependency, particularly those associated with the street community.

Disability details:

Protected characteristic: Sex

Impact Neutral

Gender details:

Protected characteristics: Gender Reassignment

Impact Neutral

Gender reassignment details:

Protected characteristics: Marriage and Civil Partnership

Impact Neutral

Marriage and civil partnership details:

Protected characteristics: Pregnancy and Maternity

Impact Neutral

Pregnancy and maternity details:

Protected characteristics: Race

Impact Neutral

Race details:

Protected characteristics: Religion or Beliefs

Impact Neutral

Religion or beliefs details:

Protected characteristics: Sexual Orientation

Impact Neutral

Sexual orientation details:

Socio-economic impacts

The Council is mindful of the concerns over any impact the PSPO may have upon socially excluded groups, including those dealing with addiction issues or rough sleeping. These were reflected in the responses to the public consultation. Therefore, the management of the PSPO will be based upon an approach of support and enforcement by partners to

ensure vulnerable individuals are not impacted or treated unfairly.

This support includes working with homeless and outreach services as well as drug and alcohol support services. The Community Safety Team have put in place a fortnightly partnership tasking group together with West Midlands Police and Trident Reach to ensure that the needs and interests of vulnerable people, including those who may be sleeping rough or part of the wider street community, are properly addressed and supported. We are committed to ensuring a compassionate and understanding approach to enforcement, closely allied to support from appropriate services.

Please indicate any actions arising from completing this screening exercise.

To check prohibitions of the legal order to ensure minimal impact on this group.

Please indicate whether a full impact assessment is recommended

YES

What data has been collected to facilitate the assessment of this policy/proposal?

Consultation with client groups and agencies who represent them.

Public consultation. On-going work with outreach services and partnership response in place.

Consultation analysis

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**Partnership Group within the local  
partnership delivery group monthly  
from March 2021. On street events to  
engage with service users and a public  
consultation via be heard.**

Adverse impact on any people with protected characteristics.

No

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

No

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

1. Referral received – checks are carried out and support services are requested to make contact and engage with the individual. Name is added to a tracker and monitored.
2. Increased behaviour – Partners carry out assessment considering vulnerabilities, access to services, engagement levels, ASB/Criminal levels and recommendations from support services.
3. Escalation – ASB/Criminal behaviours increase and non-engagement. WMP / BCC will make contact. Warning issued. Warning breached Community Protection Notice issued. Other enforcement tools will be used based on issues.

What data is required in the future?

Breach data, impact of the order.  
data from support services

Are there any adverse impacts on any particular group(s)	Yes
If yes, please explain your reasons for going ahead.	potentially the street community although there are safeguards in place to prevent this via a fortnightly street cohort meeting and commissioned services working within the city centre
Initial equality impact assessment of your proposal	
Consulted People or Groups	
Informed People or Groups	
Summary and evidence of findings from your EIA	CC PSPO Master Booklet.docx
QUALITY CONTORL SECTION	
Submit to the Quality Control Officer for reviewing?	No
Quality Control Officer comments	<p>The per consultation process carried out made amendment and considered the impact.</p> <p>The PSPO process includes a first stage warning / advisor letter this will ensure no one is breached on the first stage and instead are offered advice and sign posting. Outreach services have been involved in the process.</p>
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	29/12/2021
Reasons for approval or rejection	<p>There has been a consultation process carried out that has considered impact.</p> <p>The PSPO process itself includes pre-stage communication advisory letter helps to</p>

ensure added protection for individuals impacted ensuring any adverse impact, if any, is identified and mitigated against. Outreach services have also been involved in the process.

Please print and save a PDF copy for your records      Yes

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