Title of proposed EIA	Affordable Housing - Sites for Disposal
Reference No	EQUA1016
EA is in support of	New Function
Review Frequency	Annually
Date of first review	16/11/2023
Directorate	Inclusive Growth
Division	Property Services
Service Area	Property Valuation & Sales
Responsible Officer(s)	☐ Felicia Saunders
Quality Control Officer(s)	☐ Eden Ottley
Accountable Officer(s)	☐ Eden Ottley
Purpose of proposal	To seek to establish the principle for the sale of the Council's freehold or long leasehold (250 years) interest in identified surplus land to Registered Housing Providers and/or Developer Partners
Data sources	Consultation Results; relevant reports/strategies; relevant research
Please include any other sources of data	
ASSESS THE IMPACT AGAINST THE PROTECTED CHARACTERISTICS	
Protected characteristic: Age	Service Users / Stakeholders; Employees; Wider Community
Age details:	The sales will not have a negative impact on the grounds of age due to the fact any sale will have to be to an individual of an adult age.
	With regard to the sale of assets the officers engaged will be qualified chartered surveyors and of an age where there are no negative impacts.
Protected characteristic: Disability	Service Users / Stakeholders; Employees; Wider Community
Disability details:	The sales will not have a negative impact on the grounds of disability. However, subject to future use the purchaser/new owner would be

responsible for any access to work

obligations.

With regard to the sale of assets any officers with a known disability will be supported to ensure all appropriate actions are taken to enable them to undertake their duties safely and securely.

Protected characteristic: Sex

Gender details:

Service Users / Stakeholders; **Employees**; Wider Community

The sales will not be conducted on the basis of gender and will be via the open market tender. Therefore, there are no negative impacts in relation to this protected characteristic.

The sale of assets will be undertaken by the most appropriate officers based on experience, capacity and time, not the gender of available officers.

Protected characteristics: Gender Reassignment

Gender reassignment details:

Service Users / Stakeholders; **Employees**; Wider Community

The sales will not be conducted on the basis of gender reassignment and will be via open market tender. Therefore, there are no negative impacts in relation to this protected characteristic

The sale of assets will be undertaken by the most appropriate officers based on experience, capacity and time, not the gender reassignment of

available officers

Service Users/ Stakeholders; Protected characteristics: Marriage and Civil Partnership **Employees**; Wider Community Marriage and civil partnership details: There are no known conditions for which these assets will be disposed of in the context of marital status. The sales will be by open market tender. Therefore there are no negative impacts or implications for this characteristic. The marital status of officers involved in the sale of assets will not be a criteria consideration. Sales will be undertaken by the most appropriate officers based on experience, capacity and time. Protected characteristics: Pregnancy and Maternity Service Users / Stakeholders; **Employees**; Wider Community Pregnancy and maternity details: There are no criteria which exclude pregnant individuals. The sales will be by open market tender. By implication there will be no negative impact on the grounds pregnancy or purchasers and/ or officers involved in the sale of assets. Protected characteristics: Race Service Users / Stakeholders; **Employees**; Wider Community Race details: The sales will be by open market tender and will not be conducted on the basis of race. Therefore, there are no negative impacts in relation to this protected characteristic. The sale of assets will be undertaken by the most appropriate officers based on experience, capacity and time, not the race of available officers. All assets will be available to members of the community based on

the criteria associated to respective

assets.

Protected characteristics: Religion or Beliefs

Religion or beliefs details:

Service Users / Stakeholders; Employees; Wider Community

The sales will be by open market tender and will not be conducted on the basis of religion. Therefore, there are no negative impacts in relation to this protected characteristic.

The sale of assets will be undertaken by the most appropriate officers based on experience, capacity and time, not their religion of available officers.

All assets will be available to members of the community based on the criteria associated to respective assets.

Protected characteristics: Sexual Orientation

Sexual orientation details:

Service Users / Stakeholders; Employees; Wider Community

The sales will be by open market tender and will not be conducted on the basis of sexual orientation.

Therefore, there are no negative impacts in relation to this protected characteristic.

The sexual orientation status of officers involved in the sale of assets will not be a criteria consideration. Sales will be undertaken by the most appropriate officers based on experience, capacity and time.

Socio-economic impacts

Please indicate any actions arising from completing this screening exercise.

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)

If yes, please explain your reasons for going ahead.

Initial equality impact assessment of your proposal

No

The delivery of affordable homes on the identified sites, will assist the city in meeting its housing target (as detailed in BDP Policy PG1) of 51,100 additional homes, including approximately 19,400 affordable dwellings over the BDP period (2011 to 2031).

To seek to establish the principle for the sale of the Council's freehold or long leasehold (250 years) interest in identified surplus land, Registered Housing Providers and / or Developer Partners to deliver affordable housing.

To facilitate the sale of the identified assets officers have undertaken their due diligence in addressing the 9 protected characteristics, in the context of selling the known sites and found at this stage of the sale process there are no negative impacts which will adversely affect a sale.

Consulted People or Groups

Informed People or Groups

Summary and evidence of findings from your EIA

The Leader of the Council and the Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness have been consulted and are supportive of the recommendations of this report.

Relevant officers from Investment & Valuations, Housing Delivery, Finance and Legal Services have been consulted in respect of the preparation and are supportive of the recommendations of this report.

All relevant Ward Members have

been consulted and their comments recorded. The Property Investment Board comprising officers from Property Services, Finance and Legal recommends proceeding with the transaction.

The proposed land sales programme will generate capital receipts to support the Financial Plan 2021-2025 by generating resources and thus helping to achieve a balanced budget.

The sites listed have been identified as assets the City Council should consider disposing to promote investment and growth.

To facilitate the sale of the identified assets officers have undertaken their due diligence in addressing the 9 protected characteristics, in the context of selling the known sites and found at this stage of the sale process there are no negative impacts which will adversely affect a sale.

Having reviewed all protected characteristics, it has been determined there are no issues which impact negatively on any members of the community and therefore a full equality assessment is not required.

## QUALITY CONTORL SECTION

Submit to the Quality Control Officer for reviewing?

Yes

**Quality Control Officer comments** 

Decision by Quality Control Officer Proceed for final approval

Submit draft to Accountable Officer? Yes

Decision by Accountable Officer Approve

Date approved / rejected by the Accountable Officer 17/01/2023

Reasons for approval or rejection

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Yes

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