

Title of proposed EIA	Housing rents, service and other charges
Reference No	EQUA616
EA is in support of	Amended Policy
Review Frequency	Annually
Date of first review	04/10/2021
Directorate	Neighbourhoods
Division	Housing
Service Area	
Responsible Officer(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Guy Chaundy
Quality Control Officer(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Karen Huxtable
Accountable Officer(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Julie Griffin
Purpose of proposal	Changes to the HRA rents and TA charges for 2021/22
Data sources	
Please include any other sources of data	
ASSESS THE IMPACT AGAINST THE PROTECTED CHARACTERISTICS	
Protected characteristic: Age	Not Applicable
Age details:	
Protected characteristic: Disability	Not Applicable
Disability details:	
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.

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 City Housing Liaison Board were consulted on proposals for the HRA rent increase in December 2020

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? Via existing financial monitoring arrangements.

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

These proposals for 2021/22 do not propose to alter the ring-fenced HRA's core activity which is to provide and support the delivery of Council housing as part of an overall balanced budget. These proposals for 2021/22 also do not propose to alter the core activity of the Housing Options Service.

The objectives are fully consistent with the housing priorities set out in the Council Business Plan and Budget 2020+ and the HRA Business Plan 2020+ to provide affordable and sustainable housing for residents, and to provide a Housing Options Service.

The rent and service charge income is the key component of the HRA

Budget and the revised income that will be generated for both 2021/22 and future years from these proposals when taken

years from these proposals, when taken alongside other budget proposals, will ensure that the HRA Self-Financing Settlement continues to be affordable.

Temporary Accommodation rent income is a key component of the Housing Options Service Budget and the revised income that will be generated for both 2021/22 and future years from these proposals, when taken alongside other budget proposals, will ensure that the Housing Options Service continues to be affordable.

The proposals will ensure that services to Council tenants can continue to be maintained at an appropriate level and also may provide potential regeneration opportunities. Proposals will ensure that the Housing Options Service can continue to be maintained at an appropriate level.

The Housing Rent Charges for 2021/22 will be applied, without exception, to all tenants of the Council. The other charges reviewed as a part of this report will be applied for all service users in receipt of the underlying services. Additionally, the Service Charges are subject to regular reviews to ensure they remain appropriate and that they offer value for money for all users of these services.

There will be no negative effect on people in respect of age, disability, gender, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or beliefs, and sexual orientation as a result of these proposals.

QUALITY CONTROL SECTION

Submit to the Quality Control Officer for reviewing?

No

Quality Control Officer comments

Having read the document I can formally confirm that this report is approved and will now be submitted to the accountable officer for formal approval.

Decision by Quality Control Officer

Proceed for final approval

Submit draft to Accountable Officer?

No

27/01/2021

Assessments - Housing rents, service and other charges...

Decision by Accountable Officer

Approve

Date approved / rejected by the Accountable Officer

27/01/2021

Reasons for approval or rejection

Agreed

Please print and save a PDF copy for your records

Yes

Julie Bach

☐ Guy Chaundy

Person or Group

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