

Equality Impact Assessment Form

Section One – Screening

Name of strategy, project or policy:

Housing Market Renewal Programme 2007 - 2008

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1. What is the main purpose of the strategy/project/policy?

To approve the Housing Market Renewal Programme for 2007 - 2008

2. List the main activities of the project/policy (for strategies list the main policy areas):

Delivery of a £2.2million programme focusing on housing renewal initiatives complimented by Neighbourhood Management and environmental works

3. Who will be the main beneficiaries of the strategy/project/policy?

Residents of the Housing Market Renewal Intervention Area – Bacup, Stacksteads & Britannia

4. Use the table below to tick:

(a) Where you think that the strategy/project/ policy could have a negative impact on any of the equality target groups i.e. it could disadvantage them

(b) Where you think that the strategy/project/ policy could have a positive impact on any of the groups or contribute to promoting equality, equal opportunities or improving relations within equality target groups.

		Positive impact – it could benefit	Negative impact – it could disadvantage	Reason
Gender	Women	√		The programme is focused upon improving the housing market conditions within the intervention area. Whilst the housing renewal initiatives focus upon relatively small neighbourhoods the longer term benefits to the housing market will be experienced by the wider community.
	Men	√		
Race	Asian or Asian British people	√		“
	Black or black British people	√		“
	People of mixed race	√		“
	Irish people	√		“
	White people	√		“
	Chinese people and other minority ethnic communities not listed above	√		“
Disability	Physical	√		“
	Sensory	√		“
Sexuality	Lesbians, gay men and bisexuals	√		“
Gender Identity	Trans people	√		“

Age	Older people (60 +)	√		“
	Younger people (17-25), and children	√		“
Belief	Faith groups	√		“
Equal opportunities and /or improved relations				

Notes:

Faith groups cover a wide range of groupings, the most common of which are Muslims, Buddhists, Jews, Christians, Sikhs, Hindus. Consider faith categories individually and collectively when considering positive and negative impacts.

The categories used in the Race section are those used in the 2001 census. Consideration should be given to the needs of specific communities within the broad categories such as Bangladeshi people and to the needs of other communities such as Turkish/Turkish Cypriot, Greek/Greek Cypriot, Italian and Polish that do not appear as separate categories in the census.

5. If you have indicated there is a negative impact on any group, is that impact:

No Negative Impact

6. a) Could you minimise or remove any negative impact that is of low significance?

Explain how:

b) Could you improve the strategy, project or policy's positive impact?

Explain how:

The programme is subject to the availability of external funding, if more funding becomes available the number of properties directly benefiting from the housing renewal activity will be increased

You may wish to use the action sheet at the end of Section Two.

7. If there is no evidence that the strategy, policy or project promotes equality, equal opportunities or improved relations – could it be adapted so that it does?

How?

Part of the programme includes the delivery of Neighbourhood Management which actively seeks to include and involve all residents in the provision of services into the area.

Please sign and date this form, keep one copy and send one copy to the Head of Human Resources.

SignedSteve Jackson

Date.....7th February 2007