

INITIAL EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Name of Policy, Decision, Strategy, Service or Function, Other: (please indicate)	Community Right to Bid: Assets of Community Value Policy and Guidance			
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	March 2013	September 2013		

We carry out Equality Impact Assessments (EIAs) to analyse the effects of our decisions, policies or practices. The EIA should be undertaken/started at the beginning of the policy development process – before any decisions are made.

1. Overview

The main aims/objectives of this policy¹ are:

As part of the Government's Localism Act 2011 a number new Community Rights were introduced. The Community Right to Bid (also known as 'Assets of Community Value') is one of these rights. The Right to Bid will give communities a right to identify 'up front' a building or other land that they believe to be of importance to their community's social well-being. The community can nominate a building or land added to the list of Assets of Community Value. If it is successfully listed and subsequently comes up for sale, there is a six month window to allow the community to prepare their bid. The asset in question is then sold on the open market; however no preference is given to the local community bid.

The main aim of Rossendale's Community Right to Bid: Assets of Community Value Policy & Guidance is to provide clear information and guidance for staff, Councillors and community organisations/groups of the Council's Community Right to Bid process and procedures.

(Refer to EIA Guidance for details)

Is the policy or decision under review (please tick)

New/proposed \boxtimes

Modified/adapted

Existing

Date of Review²: September 2017 or as required.

This date will be set on an annual basis as default for review unless otherwise specified by you.

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¹ Policy refers to any policy, strategy, project, procedure, function, decision or delivery of service.

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			ple and children					As at		\square
Disabil	ity	Physical/lea	ning/mental health					As at	oove.	
Gender Reassie	gnment	Transsexual	people					As at	00VE.	\boxtimes
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Race (E Nationa	Ethnicity or ality)	Black or blac Irish people White British Chinese peo Gypsies & T	ple ravellers ty communities not listed					As at	oove.	
Belief o	or Religion							As at	oove.	\square
Gender		Women Men						As at As at		
Sexual	Orientation	Gay men, ga bisexual peo	y women / lesbians and ple					As at	oove.	\boxtimes
Marriage and Civil Partnership (employment only)						N/A		\square		
	oution to equalit	y of opportun	ity					oppo comn the o	cheme enables communities rtunities to nominate assets of nunity value and gives communities pportunity to bid to buy and run d local amenities if they come onto	
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Equality	Positive Impact (It could benefit)	Negative Impact (It could disadvantage)	Reason and any mitigating actions already in place (to reduce any adverse /negative impacts <u>or</u> reasons why it will be of positive benefit or contribution)	No Impact
			the open market by giving them extra time to prepare to bid before it goes on sale.	
Contribution to fostering good relations between different groups (people getting on well together – valuing one another, respect and understanding)			This policy and associated processes and procedures will be carried out in line with the Council's Equality Policy. The scheme itself has been developed in line with statutory regulations and is considered to have no adverse impacts on any protected equality groups.	
Human Rights http://intranet/site/scripts/documents_info.php?categoryID=86& documentID=251			No impact on any protected equality groups identified. Any Council decisions will be undertaken in line with the Human Rights Act 1998.	

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