

RMBC - Equality Analysis Form for Commissioning, Decommissioning, Decision making, Projects, Policies, Services, Strategies or Functions (CDDPPSSF)

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Name of Service and Directorate	This is a partnership strategy, however, within RMBC the lead Directorate is Adult Care and Housing
Lead Manager	Sarah Farragher
Date of Equality Analysis (EA)	29 th August 2016
Names of those involved in the EA (Should include at least two other people)	Caring Together Delivery Group

Aim/Scope (who the Policy /Service affects and intended outcomes if known) See page 7 of guidance step 1

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Caring disproportionately effects:

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Research shows caring has an impact on the physical and mental wellbeing of carers.

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<p>Analysis of the actual or likely effect of the Policy or Service: See page 8 of guidance step 4 and 5</p> <p>Does your Policy/Service present any problems or barriers to communities or Group? Identify by protected characteristics Does the Service/Policy provide any improvements/remove barriers? Identify by protected characteristics</p> <p>This plan sets out the following aims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every carer is recognised and supported • Carers are not financially disadvantaged • Carers are recognised and respected as partners in care • Carers have a life outside caring • Young carers are identified, supported and nurtured 	

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What affect will the Policy/Service have on community relations? Identify by protected characteristics

Emphasis on hidden carers, carer friendly communities, etc – will have an impact on BME carers, older carers, young carers, carers with mental health difficulties, disabled carers

Please list any **actions and targets** by Protected Characteristic that need to be taken as a consequence of this assessment and ensure that they are added into your service plan.

Website Key Findings Summary: To meet legislative requirements a summary of the Equality Analysis needs to be completed and published.

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Equality Analysis Action Plan -

Time Period:

Manager: Sarah Farragher

Service Area: Adult Care and Housing

Tel: 22610

Title of Equality Analysis:

If the analysis is done at the right time, i.e. early before decisions are made, changes should be built in before the policy or change is signed off. This will remove the need for remedial actions. Where this is achieved, the only action required will be to monitor the impact of the policy/service/change on communities or groups according to their protected characteristic.

List all the Actions and Equality Targets identified

Action/Target	State Protected Characteristics (A,D,RE,RoB,G,GI O, SO, PM,CPM, C or All)*	Target date (MM/YY)
Name of Director who approved Plan		Date:

*A = Age, C= Carers D= Disability, G = Gender, GI Gender Identity, O= other groups, RE= Race/ Ethnicity, RoB= Religion or Belief, SO= Sexual Orientation, PM= Pregnancy/Maternity, CPM = Civil Partnership or Marriage.

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Website Summary – Please complete for publishing on our website and append to any reports to Elected Members, SLT or Directorate Management Teams

Completed equality analysis	Key findings	Future actions
<p>Directorate:</p> <p>Function, policy or proposal name:</p> <p>Function or policy status (new, changing, existing):</p> <p>Name of lead officer completing the assessment:</p> <p>Date of assessment:</p>		