

# **PART A - Initial Equality Screening Assessment**

As a public authority we need to ensure that all our strategies, policies, service and functions, both current and proposed have given proper consideration to equality and diversity.

A **screening** process can help judge relevance and provide a record of both the process and decision. Screening should be a short, sharp exercise that determines relevance for all new and revised strategies, policies, services and functions.

Completed at the earliest opportunity it will help to determine:

- the relevance of proposals and decisions to equality and diversity
- whether or not equality and diversity is being/has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an Equality Analysis (Part B).

Further information is available in the Equality Screening and Analysis Guidance – see page 9.

1. Title	
Title: Fly Tipping	
Directorate: Regeneration and Environment	Service area: Regulation and Enforcement
Lead person: Richard Bramall	Contact:01709823187
Is this a:	
Strategy / Policy x Service / Function Other	
If other, please specify	

### 2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening

The report details a review of the Council's response to fly tipping enforcement.

Whilst enforcement actions and activity can impact on individuals with protected characteristics particularly those with disabilities. However, the Policy applies to legislation which has been nationally developed and

implemented; issues in relation to enforcement where disability issues are apparent are mitigated through case law and enforcement practice

## 3. Relevance to equality and diversity

All the Council's strategies/policies, services/functions affect service users, employees or the wider community – borough wide or more local. These will also have a greater/lesser relevance to equality and diversity.

The following questions will help you to identify how relevant your proposals are.

When considering these questions think about age, disability, sex, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sexual orientation, civil partnerships and marriage, pregnancy and maternity and other socio-economic groups e.g. parents, single parents and guardians, carers, looked after children, unemployed and people on low incomes, ex-offenders, victims of domestic violence, homeless people etc.

Questions	Yes	No
Could the proposal have implications regarding the		Х
accessibility of services to the whole or wider community?		
(Be mindful that this is not just about numbers. A potential to affect a		
small number of people in a significant way is as important)		
Could the proposal affect service users?		x
(Be mindful that this is not just about numbers. A potential to affect a		
small number of people in a significant way is as important)		
Has there been or is there likely to be an impact on an		X
individual or group with protected characteristics?		
(Consider potential discrimination, harassment or victimisation of		
individuals with protected characteristics)		
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns regarding		X
the proposal?		
(It is important that the Council is transparent and consultation is		
carried out with members of the public to help mitigate future		
challenge)		
Could the proposal affect how the Council's services,		X
commissioning or procurement activities are organised,		
provided, located and by whom?		
(If the answer is yes you may wish to seek advice from		
commissioning or procurement)		
Could the proposal affect the Council's workforce or		x
employment practices?		
(If the answer is yes you may wish to seek advice from your HR		
business partner)		

If you have answered no to all the questions above, please explain the reason

If you have answered **no** to <u>all</u> the questions above please complete **sections 5** and 6.

If you have answered **yes** to any of the above please complete **section 4.** 

## 4. Considering the impact on equality and diversity

If you have not already done so, the impact on equality and diversity should be considered within your proposals before decisions are made.

Considering equality and diversity will help to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and take active steps to create a discrimination free society by meeting a group or individual's needs and encouraging participation.

Please provide specific details for all three areas below using the prompts for guidance

and complete an Equality Analysis (Part B).		
How have you considered equality and diversity?		
Key findings		
• Actions		
Date to scope and plan your Equality Analysis:		
Date to complete your Equality Analysis:		
Lead person for your Equality Analysis (Include name and job title):		

5. Governance, ownership and approval				
Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening:				
Name	Job title	Date		
Richard Bramall	Community Protection & Environmental Health Manager	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2022		

#### 6. Publishing

This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given.

If this screening relates to a Cabinet, key delegated officer decision, Council, other committee or a significant operational decision a copy of the completed document should be attached as an appendix and published alongside the relevant report.

A copy of <u>all</u> screenings should also be sent to <u>equality@rotherham.gov.uk</u> For record keeping purposes it will be kept on file and also published on the Council's Equality and Diversity Internet page.

Date screening completed	10 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Report title and date	Fly Tipping in Rotherham
	1 February 2022
If relates to a Cabinet, key delegated officer	1 February 2022
decision, Council, other committee or a	
significant operational decision – report date	
and date sent for publication	
Date screening sent to Performance,	11 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Intelligence and Improvement	
equality@rotherham.gov.uk	