

Equality Impact Assessment Toolkit (March 2017)

Section 1: Your details

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Directorate: Strategy and Partnerships

Date: June 2018

Section 2: What Council proposal is being assessed?

2018 Annual Report of the Director of Public Health

Section 2a: Will this EIA be submitted to a Cabinet or Committee meeting?

Yes / No

If 'yes' please state which meeting and what date

Cabinet

date 16 July 2018

Please select hyperlink to where your EIA is/will be published on the Council's website (please select appropriate link & delete those not relevant)

Chief Executive (including Transformation)

<https://www.wirral.gov.uk/communities-and-neighbourhoods/equality-impact-assessments/equality-impact-assessments-2017/chief>

Section 3: Does the proposal have the potential to affect..... (please tick relevant boxes)

- ✓ **Services**
- ✓ **The workforce**
- ✓ **Communities**
- ✓ **Other** (Private Sector, Voluntary & Community Sector)

If you have ticked one or more of above, please go to section 4.

- None** (please stop here and email this form to your Chief Officer who needs to email it to engage@wirral.gov.uk for publishing)

Section 4:

Could the proposal have a positive or negative impact on any protected groups (race, gender, disability, gender reassignment, age, pregnancy and maternity, religion and belief, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership)?

You may also want to consider socio-economic status of individuals.

Please list in the table below and include actions required to mitigate any potential negative impact.

Which group(s) of people could be affected	Potential positive or negative impact	Action required to mitigate any potential negative impact	Lead person	Timescale	Resource implications
All population groups	<p>Positive: The report is intended to increase awareness and understanding of harmful gambling and how it can affect the person gambling, their friends and families as well as communities.</p> <p>Positive: Local and national sources of help and support are listed in the report including organisations which specifically support those struggling with gambling addiction, as well as their friends and families.</p> <p>Positive: Included in the report are short and long term recommendations for individuals and organisations to both help prevent the harms associated with harmful gambling, as well developing a regional approach with colleagues in other areas to further develop</p>		Fiona Johnstone /Julie Webster/Rory McGill	Ongoing	<p>The communication of the annual report will be co-ordinated by existing staff resource.</p> <p>The resources for production of the report are within the Public Health budget.</p>

	this relatively new field of concern within public health.				
All population groups	Negative: The report may increase community demand for services / support and for workforce / community training which potentially cannot be met. This could affect all population groups.	The recommendations for this report were drafted alongside representatives from licensing, planning, health care provision and public health. The collective group agreed that what is suggested as actions going forward are reasonable and achievable.	??Gary Rickwood	Ongoing	To be determined any additional expenditure would need to come from existing resources.??

Section 4a: Where and how will the above actions be monitored?

Actions will be monitored via Public Health DMT.

Section 4b: If you think there is no negative impact, what is your reasoning behind this?

Section 5: What research / data / information have you used in support of this process?

The research carried out to produce this report included:

- A visit to every betting shop locally to count the number of fixed odds betting terminals on site
- Analysis of national publically available data regarding the profits made by fixed odds betting terminals
- Interviewing local residents who were gambling harmfully or their friends and families who have been affected by this issue
- Speaking to representative from local stakeholders to give a holistic view of how their services have interfaced with this issue in Wirral

Section 6: Are you intending to carry out any consultation with regard to this Council proposal?

Yes

If 'yes' please continue to section 7.

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Comment [MR1]: I don't know if this is referring to the interviews and consultation with stakeholders that I have detailed in section 5?

Section 7: How will consultation take place and by when?

Before you complete your consultation, please email your preliminary EIA to engage@wirral.gov.uk via your Chief Officer in order for the Council to ensure it is meeting

it's legal publishing requirements. The EIA will need to be published with a note saying we are awaiting outcomes from a consultation exercise.

Once you have completed your consultation, please review your actions in section 4. Then email this form to your Chief Officer who needs to email it to engage@wirral.gov.uk for publishing.

Section 8: Have you remembered to:

- a) **Select appropriate directorate hyperlink to where your EIA is/will be published** (section 2a)
- b) **Include any potential positive impacts as well as negative impacts?** (section 4)
- c) **Send this EIA to engage@wirral.gov.uk via your Chief Officer?**
- d) **Review section 4 once consultation has taken place and sent your updated EIA to engage@wirral.gov.uk via your Chief Officer for re-publishing?**