Bristol City Council Equality Impact Relevance Check

This tool will identify the equalities relevance of a proposal, and establish whether a full Equality Impact Assessment will be required. Please read the guidance prior to completing this relevance check.



What is the proposal?	
Name of proposal	Substance Misuse Treatment Services (ROADS)
Please outline the proposal.	To recommission alcohol and other drugs misuses services for adults with a view to making savings. This may mean changes to the treatment available but we will still be spending £6.6m per year on alcohol and drug treatment services. New services to be in place by October 2017.
What savings will this proposal achieve?	£1,103,000
Name of Lead Officer	Peter Anderson

Could your proposal impact citizens with protected characteristics?

(This includes service users and the wider community)

Please outline where there may be significant opportunities or positive impacts, and for whom.

None

Please outline where there may be significant negative impacts, and for whom.

ROADS delivers treatment interventions (ranging from information and advice to residential treatment) across the city. There are approx. 3,500 citizens in receipt of these treatment services. 60% of these citizens are in receipt of prescribing services.

Services are available to all citizens. Most referrals into treatment are from GPs and self referrals.

This proposal links directly to the re-commissioning of services supported by a new commissioning model, which will developed and consulted on in December 2016. This will be informed by a full EqIA.

The recently completed Needs Assessment provides up to date information on need and demand.

https://www.bristol.gov.uk/documents/20182/33003/Final+Report+Substance+Misuse+Needs+Assessment.pdf/59068c70-6504-4831-b8ab-68b6916c6dbd

Could your proposal impact staff with protected characteristics?

(i.e. reduction in posts, changes to working hours or locations, changes in pay)

Please outline where there may be significant opportunities or positive impacts, and for whom.

None. This proposal does not impact on BCC staff. Funding is provided to third parties to deliver treatment services.

Please outline where there may be negative impacts, and for whom.

As above

Is a full Equality Impact Assessment required?

Does the proposal have the potential to impact on people with protected characteristics in the following ways:

- access to or participation in a service,
- levels of representation in our workforce, or
- reducing quality of life (i.e. health, education, standard of living)?

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Please indicate yes or no. If the answer	Yes. Will be an integral part of the
is yes then a full impact assessment	Commissioning Plan
must be carried out. If the answer is	
no, please provide a justification.	
Service Director sign-off and date:	Equalities Officer sign-off and date: Wanda Knight 14/10/16