

**Equality Impact Assessment
Level One Assessment Form**

Service Area: REGENERATION AND HOUSING

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| 1. What is the name of the proposed policy, procedure, project etc to be assessed. | |
| <i>Statutory DFG</i> | |
| 2. What are the aims or intended outcomes of the policy to be assessed. | |
| <i>To ensure that DFG funding is allocated in a fair and equitable manner and that funded adaptations are necessary and appropriate, reasonable and practical.</i> | |
| 3. Is there any potential public or staff concern that this function, policy or proposal may have a discriminatory impact | |
| PUBLIC <i>Local planning rules may affect complex needs particularly of children and younger adults</i> | STAFF <i>Local planning rules – difficulty in finding solutions to complex needs of applicants</i> |
| 4. Is there any other evidence (results of consultations, monitoring data etc) to suggest that the proposals could have an adverse/differential impact on the grounds of | |
| <p>a. Race <i>None – Hyndburn Asian Carers Group well established and informed. No data on Social Services assessment requests from Asian residents. DFG's approved for Asian applicants as % of total 2008-09 13%, 2007-08 8½%, 2006-07 11½%.</i></p> <p>b. Religion <i>No data – is not required for application purposes</i></p> <p>c. Gender <i>No priority given on grounds of gender. There tends to be more female service users, approximate 60% of total</i></p> <p>d. Disability <i>The service is targeted exclusively at this group</i></p> <p>e. Sexual Orientation <i>No data – not required for application purposes</i></p> <p>f. Age <i>Date of birth of applicants only recently monitored so no figures available. Majority of service users are 60+, predominantly due to age related conditions but these adaptations are not prioritised over children and younger adults</i></p> | |

5. If there is no evidence are there any experts/ relevant groups who you can approach to explore their views on the issues

No suggestions of adverse/differential impact have been received. There might be unvoiced perceptions of the service but would encouraging these serve any purpose as the main complaint is waiting time for an adaptations, which is caused by the level of resources allocated being below the level of demand.

6. How will the views of these groups be obtained

N/A

7. Please detail the outcomes of these consultations

N/A

8. What are the risks (if any) associated with the policy in relation to the adverse/differential impact on the ETG's

See 3 – unable to meet complex needs

9. Considering the evidence above what priority would you give this policy in relation to the Equality Target Groups. Please provide a rationale for your conclusions

| | High | Medium | Low |
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| Disability) | | | |
| Race) | | | |
| Gender) | | | |
| Sexual Orientation) | <i>This section not relevant</i> | | |
| Age) | | | |
| Religion or Belief) | | | |
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