

Equality and Rights Impact Assessment

2015-2018 Budget Summary Report

What budget option does this ERIA information relate to?

SfC 30

Reducing the Edinburgh Reads author events programme

Ceasing the printing of the brochure publicising ER programme

Proposal was referred to Budget Engagement October 2014, initial feedback has been analysed and no major concerns have been raised about this proposal. Feedback has included a suggestion to introduce voluntary donations at events rather than payments.

What are the main impacts of this option on rights?

This proposal will neither infringe nor enhance rights.

What are the main impacts of this option on equality?

Impact on access to free author events across the city.

What are the main recommendations to address either the positive or negative impacts?

- Include event promotion in Visually Impaired service which will include ipad voiceover training
- Prioritise events programme to areas of social disadvantage in Edinburgh
- Detailed evaluation of attendance data to ensure accessibility
- Link with national organisations such as Dyslexia Scotland to bring in high profile authors in addition to awareness raising campaigns
- Use cultural partnerships to link in with citywide promotions and develop access
- Use Get Online programme to ensure people are able to connect online and access online event information.

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Carbon Impact Assessment Template

| BUDGET OPTION (number/title/details) | | Sfc | | |
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| To record your assessment put an X in the appropriate columns below. | | | | |
| COUNCIL CARBON EMISSIONS | IMPACTS | | | NOTES |
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| WASTE to landfill | x | | | |
| BUILDINGS energy usage | | | x | |
| INFRASTRUCTURE energy usage | | | x | |
| TRANSPORT fuel consumption | | | x | |

↓ = *anticipated decrease in emissions*

↑ = *anticipated increase in emissions*

↔ = *no change anticipated*