Integrated Impact Assessments

INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT SUMMARY REPORT TEMPLATE FOR EMERGENCY DECISIONS

- 1. Title of proposal: D171- Exit from Additional Temporary Accommodation
- 2. What will change as a result of this proposal? Closure of immediate access rough sleeper accommodation (Old Waverley Hotel and Cairn Hotel) and increased expenditure as people are moved to alternative accommodation in a planned way.
- 3. Briefly describe public involvement in this proposal to date and planned.

Local Elected Members within the City of Edinburgh Council have been consulted on this proposal. The Councillors represent the communities within the respective constitutional wards and therefore are the most appropriate to be consulted at this stage. The Scottish Government was also involved and Public Health the aim was to slow the spread of Covid 19 and protecting the public which was achieved

4. Date of IIA: 14 September 2020

5. Who was involved in carrying out the IIA? (please list lead officer and other staff)

Name	Job Title	
Brian Stewart	Temporary Accommodation Manager	
Nicky Brown	Homelessness and Housing Support Manager	

Evidence	Available –	Comments: what does the evidence tell you
	detail source	about different groups who may be affected?
Data on populations in need	Υ	People at risk of rough sleeping- Research
		from Streetwork/Bethany/CEC RRTP, Heriot
		Watt /Homeless Network etc
Data on service uptake/access	Y	Data provided by Bethany and Streetwork
		there will be minimal impact on communities
		as occupants were transferred to alternative
		accommodation in a planned way
Data on socio-economic disadvantage e.g. low	У	Homeless people sleeping rough generally are
income, material/area-based deprivation.		deprived and have low/no income s detailed
		in research
Data on equality outcomes	Ν	The Council does not profile people using our
		services. The services provided to support
		those at risk of rough sleeping are available to
		all whether a person possesses a protected
		characteristic or not.
Research/literature evidence	Y	Research from HARSAG,
		Streetwork/Bethany/CEC RRTP, Heriot Watt
		/Homeless Network, Scottish Government
		etc

6. Evidence available at the time of the IIA

Evidence	Available –	Comments: what does the evidence tell you	
	detail source	about different groups who may be affected?	
Public/patient/client experience information	Y	Evidence from Service User feedback from Bethany Night Shelter and Rapid Access Accommodation	
Insight from public / service user engagement	N	N/A	
Evidence of unmet need	Y	What is important to local communities differs across Edinburgh but there will be minimal impact on Rough Sleepers as the Bethany Night Shelter service was still being maintained albeit in a different location, it is scheduled to reopen early October, Rapid Access Accommodation is still available in 3 other premises.	
Good practice guidelines	Y	 Scottish Government – Ending Homelessness Together – High Action Plan HARSAG recommendations City Housing Strategy Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan 	
Carbon emissions generated/reduced	N	N/A	
Environmental data	N	N/A	
Risk from cumulative impacts	Y	Ongoing and continued monitoring to highlight any emerging issues /trends to be maintained with assistance from 3 rd sector partners	
Other (please specify)	N	N/A	
Additional evidence required?	N	N/A	

7. In summary, what impacts were identified and which groups will they affect?

Equality, Health and Wellbeing and Human Rights	Affected populations
Positive: providing accommodation and food, linking into health, wellbeing, support and housing services	Homeless people at risk of rough sleeping
Negative: None	

Environment and Sustainability including climate change emissions and impacts	Affected populations
Positive	N/A
Negative	

Economic including socio-economic disadvantage	Affected populations
Positive L inking into statutory services, including advice and welfare rights and health services.	Homeless people at risk of rough sleeping
Negative N/A	

8. Is any part of this policy/ service to be carried out wholly or partly by contractors and if so how will equality, human right, including socio-economic disadvantage, environmental and sustainability issues be addressed?

Bethany and Streetwork partly staffed and funded the Care Shelter along with Scottish Government and CEC funding, Streetwork provided staff for the Cairn and was funded by CEC and the Scottish Government, both provided accommodation on a demand basis with no barriers or questions to accessing the services. CEC staff assisted Bethany in operating the service at the Old Waverley Hotel during day time hours 8am-8pm, Bethany solely staff the service from 8pm-8am. Streetwork staffed the Cairn 24/7 and both had input from the Edinburgh Access Practice for clinical assistance, including GP, nursing and pharmacy services additional assistance for non entitled EU nationals and Social Work Services.

- 9. Describe how you will communicate information about this policy/ service change to children and young people and those affected by sensory impairment, speech impairment, low level literacy or numeracy, learning difficulties or English as a second language? Services not suitable for children or young people, Bethany and Streetwork will use a variety of methods to communicate depending on need i.e. using interpretation services where English is not an individual's first language.
- **10.** Is the policy likely to result in significant environmental effects, either positive or negative? If yes, it is likely that a <u>Strategic Environmental Assessment</u> (SEA) will be required and the impacts identified in the IIA should be included in this.

11. What, if any, actions are recommended in response to the impacts identified above? This can include keeping the proposal under review, gathering more data, or specific actions to mitigate identified impacts.

Specific actions (as a result of the IIA which may include responding to financial implications, mitigating negative impacts, action to manage the risk of cumulative impacts)	Who will take them forward (name and job title)	Deadline for progressing	Review date

12. Are there any negative impacts in section 7 for which there are no identified mitigating actions?

13. How will you monitor how this proposal affects different groups, including people with protected characteristics?

The service is demand led and therefore access is unrestricted, the Cairn and Old Waverley have ceased being used to respond to the Covid-19 pandemic and there was never an intention to continue once there is a move to the Adaption and Renewal phase.

14. Sign off by Head of Service

Name

Jackie Irvine

Date 3 November 2020

15. Publication

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