

## Section 4 Integrated Impact Assessment

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### Summary Report Template

Each of the numbered sections below must be completed

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**1. Title of proposal**

Procurement and delivery of new contracts for Domestic Abuse services for women and children.

**2. What will change as a result of this proposal?**

New contracts will provide services for women, children and young people who have experienced domestic abuse.

**3. Briefly describe public involvement in this proposal to date and planned**

An IIA Scoping meeting was held inviting all currently contracted services plus the Equally Safe Edinburgh Committee Lead Officer.

Due to the Covid pandemic coproduction events could not be held in person.

A questionnaire was sent out to all current Service Providers to ask if Service Users would be happy to complete this in both 2020 and 2022.

A questionnaire was sent out to over 200 stakeholders to ask if they would be happy to complete this in both 2020 and 2022.

Approximately 200 questionnaires were returned overall.

Statistical analysis of the monitoring results from the last four years of contracts were analysed to determine the shape of future services.

**4. Is the proposal considered strategic under the Fairer Scotland Duty?**

Yes, these contracts improve the socio economic outcomes for the women and children supported.

**5. Date of IIA**

30 April 2022

**6. Who was present at the IIA? Identify facilitator, lead officer, report writer and any employee representative present and main stakeholder (e.g. Council, NHS)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Date of IIA training</b>
Caroline Smith Lead Officer & Report Writer	Commissioning Officer, The City of Edinburgh Council	09/03/22
Ruth Lavery Report Writer	Commissioning Officer, The City of Edinburgh Council	
Linda Rodgers	Chief Executive Officer for Edinburgh Womens Aid	
Jane Devine	Chief Executive Officer for Four Square	
Kelly Innes	Head of Services for Four Square	
Sue Waddington	Gender Based Violence Services Manager for Sacro	
Girijamba Polubothu	Chief Executive Officer for Shakti Womens Aid	
Imelda Utuk	Advocacy and Housing Team Leader for Shakti Women's Aid	

**7. Evidence available at the time of the IIA**

<b>Evidence</b>	<b>Available – detail source</b>	<b>Comments: what does the evidence tell you with regard to different groups who may be affected and to the environmental impacts of your proposal</b>
Data on populations in need	From the ECCO case monitoring system and spreadsheets detailing the CYP supported for the last 4 years of current contracts	Sex, age range, ethnicity of the clients plus outcomes achieved by the services.
Data on service uptake/access	From the ECCO case monitoring system and spreadsheets detailing the CYP supported for the last 4 years of current contracts	Numbers requiring service and average length of service

Data on socio-economic disadvantage e.g. low income, low wealth, material deprivation, area deprivation.	Outcomes monitored detail money matters explored.	Numbers of women addressing and achieving this outcome
Data on equality outcomes	From the ECCO case monitoring system and spreadsheets detailing the CYP supported for the last 4 years of current contracts	Range of protected characteristics of age, sex, gender identity, ethnicity
Research/literature evidence		
Public/patient/client experience information	From the quarterly narrative reports submitted as part of the contract monitoring	Experiences of clients during service support
Evidence of inclusive engagement of people who use the service and involvement findings	From the quarterly narrative reports submitted as part of the contract monitoring	In what ways services have used service user feedback to improve services
Evidence of unmet need	From the quarterly narrative reports submitted as part of the contract monitoring	Service gaps are identified as well as reasons why a service cannot be offered
Good practice guidelines		
Carbon emissions generated/reduced data		
Environmental data		
Risk from cumulative impacts		
Other (please specify)		
Additional evidence required		

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

<p><b>Equality, Health and Wellbeing and Human Rights</b></p> <p><b>Positive</b>  Positive impacts on women and children who have experienced domestic abuse. Services are open to women of all ages and children under 18. Services are restricted to women, children and young people – no adult males. Services have their own LGBT inclusion plans and while trans women may not receive the service with women, other options are available. Specific services are commissioned for women and children from BAME communities. This includes services for people from specific religions.</p> <p><b>Negative</b>  As these services are single sex, there may be a negative impact on men experiencing domestic abuse however other services are available. Lack of accommodation for women experiencing domestic abuse may have a negative impact on the group. Whilst these support services are available to women with No Recourse to Public Funds, accommodation costs must be covered from alternative funding. Applying a tiered approach to funding available for different refuge services has created a reduced amount available for women from BAME communities as, historically, those services were more expensive. However alternative accommodation has been successfully utilised recently such as PSL and Home Share.</p>	<p><b>Affected populations</b></p> <p>Women of all ages  Children and Young People  Women from BAME communities  Transgender people</p> <p>Adult men  Women with no recourse to public funds  Women from BAME Communities</p>
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<p><b>Environment and Sustainability including climate change emissions and impacts</b></p> <p><b>Positive</b>  Services have their own environmental plans in place</p> <p><b>Negative</b></p>	<p><b>Affected populations</b></p> <p>Women and children accessing the services</p>
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<p><b>Economic</b></p> <p><b>Positive</b>  Women receiving these services will be assisted to access benefits and improve financial situations as and when required.</p> <p><b>Negative</b></p>	<p><b>Affected populations</b></p> <p>All women</p>
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**9. Is any part of this policy / service to be carried out wholly or partly by contractors and if so how will equality, human rights including children’s rights, environmental and sustainability issues be addressed?**

The service will be provided by third sector organisations. Equality, Human Rights and Children’s Rights will be monitored as part of the contracts.

**10. Consider 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? Please provide a summary of the communications plan.**

Services have their own Communications Plans for women and children accessing domestic abuse support. This includes language support. This will be reviewed by the Council at the start of the contract.

**11. Is the plan, programme, strategy or policy likely to result in significant environmental effects, either positive or negative? If yes, it is likely that a [Strategic Environmental Assessment](#) (SEA) will be required and the impacts identified in the IIA should be included in this. See section 2.10 in the Guidance for further information.**

No

**12. Additional Information and Evidence Required**

No additional evidence is required, however statistical information will be gathered as part of the Enhanced Contract Monitoring and this can be used to ensure the contents of this report are adhered to throughout the contract duration.

**13. Specific to this IIA only, what recommended actions have been, or will be, undertaken and by when? (these should be drawn from 7 – 11 above) Please complete:**

<b>Specific actions (as a result of the IIA which may include financial implications, mitigating actions and risks of cumulative impacts)</b>	<b>Who will take them forward (name and job title)</b>	<b>Deadline for progressing</b>	<b>Review date</b>
Equality Monitoring	Caroline Smith, Commissioning Officer	Duration of the contract	Annually

14. **Are there any negative impacts in section 8 for which there are no identified mitigating actions?**

No

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

Monitoring will be carried out via the Edinburgh Common Client Outcomes (ECCO) case management system and enhanced contract monitoring by the Lead Officer.

16. **Sign off by Head of Service**

**Name Nicky Brown**

**Interim Service Director for Housing, Family Support and Fair Work, Place**

**Date 18 January 2023**

17. **Publication**

Completed and signed IIAs should be sent to:

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