



Assessing Equality – The Equality Act 2010 – Economic Growth Team

Customer Impact Review

Name and brief description of policy being analysed

Briefly summarise the policy including any key information such as aims, context etc; note timescales and milestones for new policies; use plain language – NO JARGON; refer to other documents if required

The policy being analysed – Fenland District Council Economic Growth Team Activities

Fenland District Council's economic growth activities center around enterprise, workforce development, business retention, growth and inward investment. The activities offer information and advice for small/medium and large business across the District. The Economic Growth Team (EGT) engages with key stakeholders including the Combined Authority, the Growth Hub and Cambridgeshire Chamber of Commerce. The Fenland for Business website (and all content) is managed by the Fenland District Council's Comms Team. The website provides transparent and accessible services and advice to the business community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Team utilise X and LinkedIn to inform a large variety of business owners and managers on the business support available. The Team also manages a spreadsheet of data on local businesses to enable them to efficiently engage with local businesses

Information used for customer analysis

Note relevant consultation; who took part and key findings; refer to, or attach other documents if needed; include dates where possible

Please also refer to the section of this document below about research and data.

The Main Stakeholders

Small, medium and large businesses, intermediaries, public sector bodies, charities, education providers and partners.

Consultation Information

Consultations are regularly ongoing with all the different stakeholders regarding a variety of activities led by or involving the EGT. The Council monitors the feedback given through informal feedback and case studies.

Key Findings

The majority of the feedback is positive, with businesses looking for a range of support with different initiatives. For example: Start-up/Grants, recruitment, skills, land and property etc.

Could		May		Is action	Details of actions or
particularly	Neutral	adversely	Explanations	possible or	explanations if actions are
benefit		impact		required?	not possible

						Please note details of any actions to be placed in your Service Plan
Race		X		The website is fully responsive and can be accessed on all personal devices (pc, laptop, tablet and mobile) People/businesses that cannot access the internet can contact us by telephone. Our impact is to offer support and advice in a wide range of mediums.	Y / N	See the explanation section in the middle of this table.
Sex		x			Y / N	
Gender reassignment		х			Y / N	
Disability		x			Y / N	
Age		x			Y / N	
Sexual orientation		x			Y / N	
Religion or belief		x			Y / N	
Pregnancy & maternity		x			Y / N	
Marriage & civil partnership		x			Y / N	
Human Rights		x			Y / N	
Socio Economic	x				Y / N	
Multiple/ Cross Cutting						
		x			Y / N	
Outcome(s) of customer analysis a) Will the policy/ procedure impact on the whole population of Fenland and/ or identified groups within the population; negative □ neutral □ positive X						

No major change needed x	Adjust the policy	Adverse impact but continue □	Stop and remove /		
reconsider policy \square					
The likely impact of the Economic Growth Activities (including web-based & social media activity) is positive as it allows businesses to access information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week via the website, social media and email formats but also by phone and in person during normal office hours. Business can register for the Fenland for Business Newsletter and follow FfB on X and LinkedIn which provides information on local, regional and national business support, including specific support for equality and diversity.					
Arrangements for future monitoring					
Note when analysis will be reviewed; ir	clude any equality indicators an	d performance against those indicators			
We regularly monitor website and s and create case studies.	ocial media content. We work	k with local businesses that have received support	provided by the EGT		
Details of any data/ Research used (both FDC & Partners):				
		key stakeholder in the strategy and where appropr	iate to Fenland its		
The CPCA Skills Strategy					
	use of the Council's Busines	cludes themes around workforce development, buss Centre's offers a range of opportunities for busing to improve skills and learning.			
		is expected to grow, in a sustainable way over the ut also in economic activity, jobs and infrastructure			
Website traffic and activity is monitor	ored through the use of Goog	le Analytics and accessibility and clarity of content	is regularly reviewed.		
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Approved by (manager signature):	Date published: This should be the date the analysis was published on the website
Details of any Committee approved by (if applicable):	Date endorsed by Members if applicable: