

**Birmingham City Council - Equality Impact Assessment Budget Savings
Proposal 2020+**

Title of proposed EIA

Increased joint funding for SENDIASS (EQUA469)

EIA is in support of

Amended Function

Directorate

Education and Skills

Service Area

SENDIASS

Responsible Officer

Nasreen Hussain

Purpose of proposal

To support the SENDIASS service through joint funding across partners.

What sources of information/data have been used to produce the screening of this policy/proposal?

National legislation and examples of funding arrangements in other areas.

PLEASE ASSESS THE POTENTIAL IMPACT OF YOUR PROPOSAL ON THE FOLLOWING PROTECTED CHARACTERISTICS

Age

If additional funding is secured for the SENDIASS service, this should have a positive benefit on the support the service can provide for young people, parents and families.

Disability

Service Users / Stakeholders

This proposal should lead to a positive impact for service users of the SENDIASS. SENDIASS supports families and individuals with SEND. It is a statutory function and provides information, advice and support.

The proposal is not a reduction in budget, but an increase in joint funding from Social Care and Health, in addition to the Council's general fund.

There will be no loss of service or impact on delivery due to this saving.

Sex

Not Applicable

Gender Reassignment

Not Applicable

Marriage and Civil Partnership

Not Applicable

Pregnancy and Maternity

Not Applicable

Race

Not Applicable

Religion or Beliefs

Not Applicable

Sexual Orientation

Not Applicable

Please indicate any actions arising from completing this intial screening exercise

None

Please indicate whether a full impact assessment is recommended

NO

If a full assessment is required please complete sections below:

What information/data has been collected to facilitate the assessment of this policy/proposal?

Joint funding for SENDIASS is established with Health and Social Care as this is a requirement of the DfE Minimum Standards for SENDIASS. Further joint funding for SENDASS will support their activities.

Any consultation analysis

This proposal was part of the Council's Corporate Budget Consultation process.

Is there any adverse impact/s on any people with protected characteristics?

There should be a positive impact on young people, adults and families with SEND who contact the service.

If yes, please explain your reasons for going ahead with your proposal?

Could the policy/proposal be modified to reduce or eliminate any adverse impact on any particular protected equality group(s)?

No

How will the effect(s) of this policy/proposal on equality be monitored?

SENDIASS will regularly report performance and user data as part of the service's reporting arrangements to the SENDIASS Board and the senior leadership team of the Directorate.

What data is required in the future to ensure effective monitoring of this policy/proposal?

Number of and feedback from service users.

Consulted people or groups

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Informed people or groups

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Summary and evidence of findings from EIA

This should have a positive impact on service delivery, as it is not a budget cut, but is linked to additional funding from partners. There will be no loss of service, or impact on delivery due to this saving.

DATE: 11/10/2019

