## EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST

## This checklist is to be used when you are uncertain if your activity requires an EIA or not.

An Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) is a tool for identifying the potential impact of the organisation's policies, services and functions on its residents and staff. EIAs should be actively looking for negative or adverse impacts of policies, services and functions on any of the nine protected characteristics.

The checklist below contains a number of questions/prompts to assist officers and service managers to assess whether or not the activity proposed requires an EIA. Supporting literature and useful questions are supplied within the EIA Guidance to assist managers and team leaders to complete all EIAs.

Service area & dept.	Environmental Services	Date the activity will be implemented	03/02/2020
Parking Tariffs in Blackburn Town Centre were increased in 2018 for the first time since 1 <sup>st</sup> April			

	2011. Given the continuing changes and improvements to the town centre offer, it is proposed that the parking tariffs are reviewed for 2020.
Brief description	It is proposed that the increase in tariff will be for both on street and off street parking for the tariffs which effect Monday – Saturday. Sunday will remain as is.
of activity	If the proposed increase in parking charges is introduced, the parking charges in Blackburn Town centre will remain competitive in comparison to parking charges in Bolton town centre and Preston City centre.
	The chargeable hours for Pay and Display will be 8am – 6pm.

Answers favouring doing an EIA	Checklist question	Answers favouring not doing an EIA		
🛛 Yes	Does this activity involve any of the following:- Commissioning / decommissioning a service- Change to existing Council policy/strategy	🗆 No		
🗆 Yes	Does the activity impact negatively on any of the protected characteristics as stated within the Equality Act (2010)?	🛛 No		
□ No □ Not sure	Is there a sufficient information / intelligence with regards to service uptake and customer profiles to understand the activity's implications?	🛛 Yes		
<ul><li>□ No</li><li>□ Not sure</li></ul>	Does this activity contribute towards meeting the Equality Act's General Public Sector Equality Duty? Does it: Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act ( <i>i.e. the activity removes or minimises disadvantages suffered by people due to</i> <i>their protected characteristic</i> )	⊠ Yes		
□ No □ Not sure	Advance equality of opportunity between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not ( <i>i.e. the activity takes steps to meet the needs of people from protected groups where these are different from the needs of other people</i> )	⊠ Yes		
□ No □ Not sure	Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not ( <i>i.e. the function encourages people from protected groups to participate in public life or in other activities where their participation is disproportionately low</i> )	⊠ Yes		
FOR = 1	TOTAL	AGAINST = 5		

## Will you now be completing an EIA?

The EIA toolkit can be found here

Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council

Signature	
Checked by departmental E&D Lead	☑ Yes □ No Gwen Kinloch
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