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Equality Impact Assessment

Executive report - rough sleeper initiative

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What is the report trying to achieve?:

To advise executive on the rough sleeper initiative short term emergency provision bed spaces, how they have been procured, who they are intended for and what outcomes they are expected to achieve.

What evidence/data is being used to support this equality analysis?:

Analysis of service data (e.g I-card)

Supporting documents (if available):

Is there potential for positive or negative impact on any of the protected characteristics?

- **Age:** *No Impact*
- **Disability:** *Positive*
- **Marriage & Civil Partnership:** *No Impact*

- **Race:** *Positive*
- **Pregnancy & Maternity:** *No Impact*
- **Religion or Belief:** *No Impact*
- **Gender Reassignment:** *No Impact*
- **Sex:** *No Impact*
- **Sexual Orientation:** *No Impact*

If 'No Impact' explain why

These emergency beds are used to move rough sleepers quickly off the streets and into a safe environment to enable targeted work on assessed needs. The rough sleeping population encompasses a cross section of the community but who largely have high mental health and substance misuse needs. The population includes european migrants who are not eligible for some publicly funded services and works to help them reconnect or find work, therefore has a positive impact on this group.

If you have identified any negative impacts (above) how can they be minimised or removed?

None identified.

The report helps us to 'eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment & victimisation' in the following way(s):

The tender process ensures partners have robust equal opportunities procedures in place.

The report helps us to 'advance equality of opportunity...' in the following way(s): The services provided help to reach some of the most vulnerable people in the community and improve their wellbeing, health and relationships by being supported to live in their own homes.

The policy helps us to 'foster good relations...' in the following way(s): By helping people to sustain healthy lives they can benefit from activities in the community that currently they are excluded from, for example through having untreated mental health needs that are easier to treat from a stable home.