

Equality Impact Assessment: Appointment of Two Directors to the Board of Exeter City Living

The Equality Act 2010 includes a general duty which requires public authorities, in the exercise of their functions, to have due regard to the need to:

- **Eliminate discrimination**, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Act.
- **Advance equality of opportunity** between people who share a relevant protected characteristic and people who do not share it.
- **Foster good relations** between people who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not

In order to comply with the general duty authorities must assess the impact on equality of decisions, policies and practices. These duties do not prevent the authority from reducing services where necessary, but they offer a way of developing proposals that consider the impacts on all members of the community.

Authorities which fail to carry out equality impact assessments risk making poor and unfair decisions which may discriminate against particular groups and worsen inequality.

Committee name and date:	Report Title	Decisions being recommended:	People with protected characteristics potentially impacted by the decisions to be made:
Executive – 28 February 2023 Council – 18 April 2023	Appointment of Two Directors to the Board of Exeter City Living	2.1 That members note the decision taken by the Chief Executive & Growth Director under delegated powers to appointment two directors to the Board of Exeter City Living on a temporary basis.	No potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act

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		2.2 That Members note that once a new Shareholder Representative has been identified to replace the Chief Executive & Growth Director (CX & GD), that Shareholder Representative will undertake a review of ECL to include a review of progress, governance, future direction and the appointment process for the Managing Director position. The findings of the review, along with any appropriate recommendations will be brought forward for members' consideration.	

Factors to consider in the assessment: For each of the groups below, an assessment has been made on whether the proposed decision will have a **positive, negative or neutral impact**. This is must be noted in the table below alongside brief details of why this conclusion has been reached and notes of any mitigation proposed. Where the impact is negative, a **high, medium or low assessment** is given. The assessment rates the impact of the policy based on the current situation (i.e. disregarding any actions planned to be carried out in future).

High impact – a significant potential impact, risk of exposure, history of complaints, no mitigating measures in place etc.

Medium impact –some potential impact exists, some mitigating measures are in place, poor evidence

Low impact – almost no relevancy to the process, e.g. an area that is very much legislation led and where the Council has very little discretion

Protected characteristic/ area of interest	Positive or Negative Impact	High, Medium or Low Impact	Reason
Race and ethnicity (including Gypsies and Travellers; migrant workers; asylum seekers).	N/A	N/A	no potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act
Disability: as defined by the Equality Act – a person has a disability if they have a physical or mental impairment that has a substantial and long-term adverse impact on their ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.	N/A	N/A	no potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act
Sex/Gender	N/A	N/A	no potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act
Gender reassignment	N/A	N/A	no potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act
Religion and belief (includes no belief, some philosophical beliefs such as Buddhism and sects within religions).	N/A	N/A	no potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act
Sexual orientation (including heterosexual, lesbian, gay, bisexual).	N/A	N/A	no potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act
Age (children and young people aged 0-24; adults aged 25-50; younger older people aged 51-75/80; older people 81+; frail older people; people living with age related conditions. The age categories are for illustration only as overriding consideration should be given to needs).	N/A	N/A	no potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act
Pregnancy and maternity including new and breast feeding mothers	N/A	N/A	no potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act
Marriage and civil partnership status	N/A	N/A	no potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act

Actions identified that will mitigate any negative impacts and/or promote inclusion

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