Appendix 2 - Equality impact assessment screening form

This form records an equality screening process to determine the relevance of equality to a proposal, and a decision whether or not a full EIA would be appropriate or proportionate.

Directorate	Central Services				
Service area	Democratic/Electoral services				
Proposal being screened	Decision on whether to proceed with a Community Governance Review of Dishforth parish				
Officer(s) carrying out screening	Barry Khan – Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic)				
What are you proposing to do?	To consider commencing a Community Governance Review which would involve consulting with the public				
Why are you proposing this? What are the desired outcomes?	Dishforth Parish Council has requested a Community Governance Review to increase the number of parish councillors. The views of the public would be sought on this proposal.				
Does the proposal involve a significant commitment or removal of resources? Please give details.	It involves consultation with the residents of the parish				

Impact on people with any of the following protected characteristics as defined by the Equality Act 2010, or NYCC's additional agreed characteristics

As part of this assessment, please consider the following questions:

- To what extent is this service used by particular groups of people with protected characteristics?
- Does the proposal relate to functions that previous consultation has identified as important?
- Do different groups have different needs or experiences in the area the proposal relates to?

If for any characteristic it is considered that there is likely to be an adverse impact or you have ticked 'Don't know/no info available', then a full EIA should be carried out where this is proportionate. You are advised to speak to your <u>Equality rep</u> for advice if you are in any doubt.

Protected characteristic	Potential f	or adverse impact	Don't know/No info available	
	Yes	No		
Age		No		
Disability		No		
Sex		No		
Race		No		
Sexual orientation		No		
Gender reassignment		No		
Religion or belief		No		
Pregnancy or maternity		No		
Marriage or civil partnership		No		
NYCC additional characteristics	·	<u>.</u>		
People in rural areas		No		
People on a low income		No		
Carer (unpaid family or friend)		No		

Does the proposal relate to an area where there are known inequalities/probable impacts (e.g. disabled people's access to public transport)? Please give details. Will the proposal have a significant effect on how other organisations operate? (e.g. partners, funding criteria, etc.). Do any of	No No				
these organisations support people with protected characteristics? Please explain why you have reached this conclusion.					
Decision (Please tick one option)	EIA not relevant or proportionate:	✓	Continue to full EIA:		
Reason for decision	It is not considered that the proposals to increase the number of parish councillors on Dishforth Parish Council will exclude any groups. The consultation will be undertaken in such a way as to ensure that no groups are excluded and a broad range of responses is obtained.				
Signed (Assistant Director or equivalent)	Barry Khan				
Date	5 December 2023				