

Equality and Safety Impact Assessment

The **public sector Equality Duty** (Section 149 of the Equality Act) requires public bodies to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations between different people carrying out their activities.

The Equality Duty supports good decision making – it encourages public bodies to be more efficient and effective by understanding how different people will be affected by their activities, so that their policies and services are appropriate and accessible to all and meet different people's needs. The Council's Equality and Safety Impact Assessment (ESIA) includes an assessment of the community safety impact assessment to comply with section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act and will enable the council to better understand the potential impact of the budget proposals and consider mitigating action.

Name or Brief	Core Strategy Partial Review	
Description of		
Proposal		
Brief Service	The Plan reduces the target for delivering office development	
Profile	in the city centre from 322,000 sq m to 110,000 sq m; and	
(including	for retail development from 130,000 sq m to 100,000 sq m; to	
number of	take account of the latest assessment of what is likely to be	
customers)	delivered. It introduces the NPPF's 'presumption in favour of	
	sustainable development'.	
Summary of	None	
Impact and		
Issues		
Potential	The plan promotes significant economic growth which will	
Positive Impacts	help address poverty.	
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Date		

Approved by	As above
Senior Manager	
Signature	
Date	

Potential Impact

Impact	Details of Impact	Possible Solutions &
Assessment		Mitigating Actions
Age	None	
Disability	None	
Gender Reassignment	None	
Marriage and Civil Partnership	None	
Pregnancy and Maternity	None	
Race	None	
Religion or Belief	None	
Sex	None	
Sexual Orientation	None	
Community Safety	None	
Poverty	The Plan promotes major economic growth in a location accessible by public transport from priority communities. The Core Strategy (policy CS24) already promotes measures such as training to help residents access the labour market. Whilst the Plan reduces the target for office and retail growth, this simply brings the target into line with what is likely to be developed. Therefore it does not reduce the actual number of jobs which could be created.	
Other Significant Impacts	None	