

Equality Impact Assessment

Service Area: Environmental Enhancement

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Date of Assessment: 06/06/2022

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Name of policy/function/project/service area to be assessed: Section 106 / Public Open Space

Brief description of proposal to be assessed: S106 public open space funds towards four projects within the district, across communities of Barnstaple and Chulmleigh

Proposed implementation date of project/proposal: Summer 2024

Brief description of the anticipated outcomes of the proposal:

Provision	Current Arrangement	Proposed Arrangement	Comment
Enhancement of Chulmleigh Town Hall	Lack of sound proofing between ground floor and first floor activity halls discouraging simultaneous usage.	Install sound proofing insulation between each floor to increase usage at the site.	Increase accessibility to the site for more user groups. Improve sound transfer which will benefit those with hearing difficulties.
Enhancement of Tarka Tennis Centre Football Pitch	Two goal posts either side of the pitch. Informal use is causing damage to the goalmouths and effect match play usage.	Purchase of goals to protect the main goalpost mouths and to provide equipment for clubs that can aid users with additional needs	Increase quality/levels of sports pitch, including for disability user groups.
Enhancement of Barnstaple Pilot Gig Club Boathouse	Communal meeting room, accessible toilet and kitchen not yet ready for use.	Install flooring in new building to make the facilities available for use.	Provide ready to use accessible toilets for users with mobility issues.
Enhancement of United Services Bowls Clubhouse	Extended clubhouse not yet ready for full use.	Reconfigure and install flooring in original part of the building to make facilities available for use. Build new accessible access and new storage outbuildings.	New extension provides accessible toilets and accessible access.

Impact:

Summarise any positive impacts or benefits, any negative impacts (i.e. potential for discrimination, disadvantage or disproportionate treatment) and any neutral impacts and the evidence you have taken into account to reach this conclusion. Be aware that there may be positive, negative and neutral impacts within each characteristic. (NOTE: please refer to the Equality Strategy for the characteristics) Where an impact is unknown, state so, and identify what steps will be taken to address any gaps in data:

Project	Impact
Enhancement of Chulmleigh Town Hall	Positive Impact – Better use of space means providing a more open area for those with additional needs to use it; and better quality of use for those affected by noise transfer.
Enhancement of Tarka Tennis Centre Football Pitch	Positive Impact – Increase quality/levels of sports pitch, including for disability user groups.
Enhancement of Barnstaple Pilot Gig Club Boathouse	Positive Impact - Provide ready to use accessible toilets for users with mobility issues.
Enhancement of United Services Bowls Clubhouse	Positive Impact - New extension provides accessible toilets and accessible access.

Consideration of Alternatives:

Describe what alternatives have been considered and/or what actions will be taken to remove or minimise any potential negative effect identified above (attach evidence or provide link to appropriate data, reports, etc):

No alternatives considered

Consultation:

Brief description of any consultation with stakeholders and summarise how it has influenced the proposal. Please attach evidence or provide link to appropriate data or reports:

Community priorities reviewed frequently through open space process

Funding Considerations:

This allocates the funding in full

Date approved by Head of Service: 13/06/2022

Reporting and Publication:

Equality Impact Assessments will be published on North Devon Council's website.

The completion of an Equality Impact Assessment is an ongoing process. Impacts will be continually reviewed during projects and the decision making process and the Assessment will be updated accordingly and published.

A further assessment will also be undertaken between 6 to 12 months following the implementation of the policy, project, decision or service change has been implemented.

Please also confirm the date on which you will be re-considering the project/report and submitting a further EIA if applicable.

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Monitoring Arrangements:

Briefly describe the monitoring arrangements/systems that will be put in place to monitor the effects of this proposal.

Subject to funding agreement

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