

Equality Impact Assessment Form

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1. Document Control

1. Control Details

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4. Glossary of Terms

Term	Description
Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO)	An order made under Section 59 of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014
FPN (FPN)	Fixed Penalty Notice

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2. Assessment

1. Brief description of proposal / policy / service being assessed

PSPOs were introduced by the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 and can be made by a local authority if they are satisfied, on reasonable grounds that

- a) Activities carried on in a public place have had a detrimental impact on the quality of life of those in the locality, or it is likely that activities will be carried on and they will have that effect and
- b) The effect/likely effect of the activities is/or is likely to be persistent/continuing in nature, is likely to be such as to make the activities unreasonable, and justifies the restrictions imposed.

Where the above test is met, a PSPO may prohibit specified things being done in a public place that is identified in the order, and/or require specified things to be done by persons carrying on specified activities in that area.

The Council is proposing to introduce a PSPO, in the form attached at Appendix 1, to address a range of behaviours in Nottingham city centre multi storey car parks that are having, or are likely to have, a detrimental effect on the quality of

life of those in the locality. The proposed PSPO seeks to facilitate activities where possible, within defined parameters, such as a requirement for consent, and only seeks to prohibit activities where the potential for harm outweighs any benefit of those activities.

Breach of the provisions of a PSPO, without reasonable excuse, is an offence. The penalty for an offence is a fine of level 3 on the standard scale (current maximum £1,000) although the opportunity to pay a Fixed Penalty Notice (“FPN”), to discharge liability for any alleged offence without the need for court proceedings, may be offered. The amount of the FPN for breach of the proposed PSPO is £70 if paid within 14 days, reduced to £35 if paid within 10 days.

The proposed PSPO will effectively introduce a number of new offences in respect of which enforcement action may be taken by Authorised Officers, which include the Council’s Community Protection Officers, Police Officers and Police Community Support Officers.

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2. Information used to analyse the effects on equality:

Results of statutory consultation process undertaken in respect of the proposed PSPO between 21 September 2020 – 1 November 2020

3. Impacts and Actions:

<u>screeintip-sectionD</u>	Could particularly benefit X	May adversely impact X
People from different ethnic groups.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Men	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Women	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Disabled people or carers.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pregnancy/ Maternity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
People of different faiths/ beliefs and those with none.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lesbian, gay or bisexual people.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Older	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Younger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (e.g. marriage/ civil partnership, looked after children, cohesion/ good relations, <u>vulnerable children/ adults</u>).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Please underline the group(s) /issue more adversely affected or which benefits.</i>		

<p style="text-align: right;"><u>screeentip-sectionE</u></p> <p>How different groups could be affected (Summary of impacts)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><u>screeentip-sectionF</u></p> <p>Details of actions to reduce negative or increase positive impact (or why action isn't possible)</p>
<p><u>Summary</u></p> <p>Benefits</p> <p>The proposed PSPO is designed to tackle behaviours that are occurring in Nottingham City Centre Multi Storey Car Parks that evidence from a range of sources indicate are having a detrimental impact on the quality of life of those living in. working in or visiting the city centre. Surveys completed as part of the statutory consultation process undertaken in respect of the proposed PSPO show public support</p>	<p><u>Actions</u></p> <p>Whilst there is no current data set that would suggest enforcement action taken in respect of anti-social behaviour disproportionately affects any particular group, enforcement action taken under the proposed PSPO will be monitored in an effort to identify any concerns that may arise in this respect</p>

for the proposals contained within the proposed PSPO, from a demographic range.

The intention of the proposed PSPO is that it should benefit the whole community by ensuring that all those who are living in, working in or visiting the city centre and using our multi storey car parks to park their vehicle can enjoy a safe, clean, vibrant and attractive public place.

Negative Impacts

No potential negative impacts have been raised throughout the 6-week consultation stage of the process.

Actions

4. Outcome(s) of equality impact assessment:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No major change needed (other than those already made)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adjust the policy/proposal
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adverse impact but continue	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stop and remove the policy/proposal

5. Arrangements for future monitoring of equality impact of this proposal / policy / service:

If the proposed PSPO is introduced, it will be reviewed twice yearly (or more frequently if the need arises). Reviews will seek to identify whether any enforcement action taken under the PSPO has

disproportionately affect any particular element of the community and, if so, will seek to understand why this is the case and address any issues raised

6. Approved by (manager signature) and Date sent to equality team for publishing:

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SRO Approval:	Date of final approval:

Before you send your EIA to the Equality and Community Relations Team for scrutiny, have you:

1. Read the guidance and good practice EIA's
<http://intranet.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/media/1924/simple-guide-to-eia.doc>
2. Clearly summarised your proposal/ policy/ service to be assessed.
3. Hyperlinked to the appropriate documents.
4. Written in clear user-friendly language, free from all jargon (spelling out acronyms).
5. Included appropriate data.
6. Consulted the relevant groups or citizens or stated clearly, when this is going to happen.
7. Clearly cross-referenced your impacts with SMART actions.