

# Predictive Equality Impact Assessment (PEIA) FOR COUNCIL DECISIONS ONLY



Title of report or proposal:

**Payment of Council Tax by Direct Debit**

Describe in full the aims, objectives and purpose of the proposal, including desired outcomes:

**Introduction of an incentive scheme to increase the number of residents who pay Council Tax by Direct Debit**

Department:

**Finance.**

Form and report MUST be checked and countersigned by the Principal Policy Officer – Equalities (Pinakin Patel) before the report proceeds to the Cabinet Member(s).

Officer Responsible:

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(Signature, Print Name, Contact Number and Email Address)

PPO Equalities:

**Signed off by Pinakin Patel at 10.42 on 12/01/07. Tel 020 8753 5727 email [pinakin.patel@lbhf.gov.uk](mailto:pinakin.patel@lbhf.gov.uk)**

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PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. Who are the main people that this decision will affect?

**Council taxpayers of the borough**

2. Identify the risks that could prevent the planned outcomes

**NONE**

3. Could the proposal have a positive impact on **a) race b) disability c) gender d) sexual orientation e) age f) belief system groups?** (Please provide evidence e.g. user feedback, complaints, ethnic monitoring, diversity monitoring?)

**a) b) c) d) e) f) Yes – The direct debit scheme introduces greater choice and flexibility in how customers use Council services. Disabled people and older people, particular those that have restricted access issues, may benefit from the DD scheme.**

4. Could the proposal have a negative impact on **a) race b) disability c) gender d) sexual orientation e) age f) belief system groups?** (Please provide evidence e.g. user feedback, complaints, ethnic monitoring, diversity monitoring?)

**a) b) c) d) e) f) NO**

5. Can any negative impact of the decision be justified?

**N/A**

6. If you have undertaken any internal/ external research or consultation(s) please list these below:

**N/A**

7. Do you need to undertake any further consultation? If so, what and with whom?

**NO**

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