

Equality Analysis



What are the proposals being assessed?	Proposed budget saving CH57 – staff reduction
Which Department / Division has the responsibility for this?	Community and Housing, Housing Needs and Enabling Service

Stage 1: Overview	
Name and job title of lead officer	Steve Langley, Head of Housing Needs and Strategy
1. What are the aims, objectives and desired outcomes of your proposal? (Also explain proposals e.g. reduction/removal of service, deletion of posts, changing criteria etc)	The aim of the proposed reduction is to reduce the overall number of staff, whilst seeking to preserve a greater number of front-line staff, to ensure that the reductions have minimal adverse impact on customers.
2. How does this contribute to the council's corporate priorities?	The Housing Needs Service plan and Target Operating Model contribute to the council's overall priorities and will ensure that the savings targets are achieved in line with the corporate Business Plan and the Medium Term Financial Strategy. It is also in line with the July principles, adopted in 2011 by councillors, which sets out guiding strategic priorities and principles, where the order of priority services should be to continue to provide everything which is statutory and maintain services, within limits, to the vulnerable and elderly, with the council being an enabler, working with partners to provide services.
3. Who will be affected by this proposal? For example who are the external/internal customers, communities, partners, stakeholders, the workforce etc.	<p>All of the savings will have some impact on customers both internally and externally. Reduction in posts may lead to the service received not being as efficient and with slippage in service standards.</p> <p>The Housing Needs service is a demand / need led service and as such unlikely to discriminate against a single individual community or area. Accordingly it is unlikely that these proposals will have an adverse affect on any one protected characteristic.</p>
4. Is the responsibility shared with another department, authority or organisation? If so, who are the partners and who has overall responsibility?	N/A

Stage 2: Collecting evidence/ data

5. What evidence have you considered as part of this assessment?

Provide details of the information you have reviewed to determine the impact your proposal would have on the protected characteristics (equality groups).

- Housing Register data
- Homelessness P1E data
- Service Standards
- Service standards
- Environmental Health Service Requests
- Environmental Health Grant Requests

Stage 3: Assessing impact and analysis

6. From the evidence you have considered, what areas of concern have you identified regarding the potential negative and positive impact on one or more protected characteristics (equality groups)?

Protected characteristic (equality group)	Tick which applies		Tick which applies		Reason Briefly explain what positive or negative impact has been identified
	Positive impact		Potential negative impact		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Age		✓	✓		The Housing Needs service is a demand / need led service and as such unlikely to discriminate against a single individual, community or area. Accordingly it is unlikely that these proposals will have an adverse affect on any one protected characteristic, however all groups have the potential to be negatively affected.
Disability		✓	✓		As above
Gender Reassignment		✓	✓		As above
Marriage and Civil Partnership		✓	✓		As above
Pregnancy and Maternity		✓	✓		As above
Race		✓	✓		As above
Religion/ belief		✓	✓		As above
Sex (Gender)		✓	✓		As above

Sexual orientation		✓	✓		As above
Socio-economic status		✓	✓		As above

7. Equality Analysis Improvement Action Plan template – Making adjustments for negative impact

This action plan should be completed after the analysis and should outline action(s) to be taken to mitigate the potential negative impact identified (expanding on information provided in Section 7 above).

Negative impact / gap in information identified in the Equality Analysis	The Housing Needs service is a demand / need led service and as such unlikely to discriminate against a single individual, community or area. Accordingly it is unlikely that these proposals will have an adverse affect on any one protected characteristic, however all groups have the potential to be negatively affected.
Action required to mitigate	<p>There will be the need to undertake a comprehensive assessment on how the business is delivered. This would inform our future approach in ensuring that the council continues to deliver its statutory housing functions, including revisions to front end service delivery to provide customers with better self-help tools and information via the website in order to enable staff to focus on priority cases.</p> <p>All staffing changes will be managed in line with the council's Managing Organisational Change Framework, including regular communication and engagement with affected staff, staff groups and unions.</p> <p>An equalities analysis will be undertaken on the specific staffing reductions.</p>
How will you know this is achieved? e.g. performance measure / target	Revised structure and self-help tools in place
By when	March 2017
Existing or additional resources?	Existing
Lead Officer	Steve Langley
Action added to divisional / team plan?	Included in the Housing Needs TOM

Note that the full impact of the decision may only be known after the proposals have been implemented; therefore it is important the effective monitoring is in place to assess the impact.

Stage 4: Conclusion of the Equality Analysis

8. Which of the following statements best describe the outcome of the EA (Tick one box only)

Please refer to the guidance for carrying out Equality Impact Assessments is available on the intranet for further information about these outcomes and what they mean for your proposal

OUTCOME 1

OUTCOME 2

OUTCOME 3

OUTCOME 4

Stage 5: Sign off by Director/ Head of Service

Assessment completed by	Steve Langley, Head of Housing Needs and Strategy	Signature: Steve Langley	Date: 12.10.15
Improvement action plan signed off by Director/ Head of Service	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	Signature: Simon Williams	Date: 12.10.15

Equality Analysis



What are the proposals being assessed?	Proposed budget saving CH67, CH68 and CH69 – Shared service and rationalisation of staffing structure (2017/18 and 2018/19)
Which Department / Division has the responsibility for this?	Community and Housing, Library & Heritage Service

Stage 1: Overview	
Name and job title of lead officer	Anthony Hopkins, Head of Library and Heritage Services
1. What are the aims, objectives and desired outcomes of your proposal? (Also explain proposals e.g. reduction/removal of service, deletion of posts, changing criteria etc)	<p>The aim and desired outcome of the proposal is to achieve the required budget savings in a way that the service continues to meet its statutory duties and minimises any adverse impact on customers, taking in to account previous budget savings and the cumulative effect on service delivery. It is intended to do this via the provision of a shared service which should ensure frontline service levels are not affected.</p> <p>This proposal would mean the merger of the management teams across two boroughs and will also enable some resilience and a level of capacity to be able to undertake key projects. The shared service structure should have minimal impact on the frontline and the customer experience.</p>
2. How does this contribute to the council's corporate priorities?	The Libraries Service plan and TOM contribute to the council's overall priorities and will ensure that the savings targets are achieved in line with the corporate Business Plan and the Medium Term Financial Strategy. It is also in line with the July principles, adopted in 2011 by councillors, which sets out guiding strategic priorities and principles, where the order of priority services should be to continue to provide everything which is statutory and maintain services, within limits, to the vulnerable and elderly, with the council being an enabler, working with partners to provide services.
3. Who will be affected by this proposal? For example who are the external/internal customers, communities, partners, stakeholders, the workforce etc.	Staff will be affected by the changes but the merging will create some resilience in challenging times.
4. Is the responsibility shared with another department, authority or organisation? If so, who are the partners and who has overall responsibility?	HR and Legal input will be required. TUPE is likely to apply for some staff.

Stage 2: Collecting evidence/ data

5. What evidence have you considered as part of this assessment?

The sharing of services and in particular management teams has become more common and is in practice across a number of authorities. Merton has some successful examples of sharing services with other boroughs and the expertise and knowledge in this area has fed into this work. Specific Library & Heritage Service shared structures have also been reviewed, some in London and in other regions. In considering this assessment the impact on staff from both services has been considered and the equalities implications. The impact on customers has also been considered although this has been mitigated by trying to protect frontline services wherever practical.

Stage 3: Assessing impact and analysis

6. From the evidence you have considered, what areas of concern have you identified regarding the potential negative and positive impact on one or more protected characteristics (equality groups)?

Protected characteristic (equality group)	Tick which applies		Tick which applies		Reason Briefly explain what positive or negative impact has been identified
	Positive impact		Potential negative impact		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Age		✓	✓		Staff from this protected characteristic could be made redundant
Disability		✓	✓		Staff from this protected characteristic could be made redundant – however this is unlikely
Gender Reassignment		✓		✓	N/A
Marriage and Civil Partnership		✓		✓	N/A
Pregnancy and Maternity		✓	✓		Staff from this protected characteristic could be made redundant – however this is unlikely
Race		✓	✓		Staff from this protected characteristic could be made redundant
Religion/ belief		✓		✓	N/A
Sex (Gender)		✓	✓		Staff from this protected characteristic could be made redundant
Sexual orientation		✓		✓	N/A
Socio-economic status		✓		✓	N/A

7. Equality Analysis Improvement Action Plan template – Making adjustments for negative impact

Negative impact / gap in information identified in the Equality Analysis	Impact on staff who may be made redundant.
Action required to mitigate	All staffing changes will be managed in line with the council's Managing Organisational Change Framework, including regular communication and engagement with affected staff, staff groups and unions. The Library & Heritage Service TOM reflects the approach to transforming service delivery. Monitoring will take place of changes and staff will be suitably trained to ensure customer needs are being adequately met and the council is not in breach of meeting its statutory responsibilities. A further EA will be needed to be undertaken by HR when the staff who may be at risk have been identified.
How will you know this is achieved? e.g. performance measure / target	Shared service in place and efficiencies delivered.
By when	March 2017
Existing or additional resources?	Existing
Lead Officer	Anthony Hopkins
Action added to divisional / team plan?	Included in the Library & Heritage Service TOM and service plan

Note that the full impact of the decision may only be known after the proposals have been implemented; therefore it is important the effective monitoring is in place to assess the impact.

Stage 4: Conclusion of the Equality Analysis

8. Which of the following statements best describe the outcome of the EA (Tick one box only)

OUTCOME 1

The EA has not identified any

OUTCOME 2

The EA has identified adjustments

OUTCOME 3

The EA has identified some

OUTCOME 4

The EA shows actual or potential

potential for discrimination or negative impact and all opportunities to promote equality are being addressed. No changes are required.

to remove negative impact or to better promote equality. Actions you propose to take to do this should be included in the Action Plan.

potential for negative impact or some missed opportunities to promote equality and it may not be possible to mitigate this fully.

unlawful discrimination. Stop and rethink your proposals.

Stage 5: Sign off by Director/ Head of Service

Assessment completed by	Anthony Hopkins, Head of Library & Heritage Service	Signature: Anthony Hopkins	Date: 10.11.15
Improvement action plan signed off by Director/ Head of Service	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	Signature: Simon Williams	Date: 10.11.15

Equality Analysis



What are the proposals being assessed?	Proposed budget saving CH52 – review of remaining Supporting People expenditure
Which Department / Division has the responsibility for this?	Community and Housing, Adult Social Care

Stage 1: Overview	
Name and job title of lead officer	Rahat Ahmed-Man, Head of Assessment and Commissioning
1. What are the aims, objectives and desired outcomes of your proposal? (Also explain proposals e.g. reduction/removal of service, deletion of posts, changing criteria etc)	<p>The proposal will affect the housing related support for vulnerable people, by reducing the number of people we could support and the range of support we could provide, therefore reducing the housing options to vulnerable people.</p> <p>The aim and desired outcome of the proposal is to achieve the required budget savings in a way that the service continues to meet its statutory duties and minimises any adverse impact on service users, taking in to account previous budget savings and the cumulative effect on service delivery. It is intended to do this using an approach which promotes the independence of individuals and reduces reliance on council funded services, utilising the approach around the Use of Resources Framework of Prevention; Recovery; Long term support; Process; Partnership; and Contributions. It also supports the commitment in the Adult Social Care Target Operating Model (TOM) to review the spectrum of the accommodation offer for all types of supported living including shared lives for all age groups.</p>
2. How does this contribute to the council's corporate priorities?	The Adult Social Care Service plan and TOM contribute to the council's overall priorities and will ensure that the savings targets are achieved in line with the corporate Business Plan and the Medium Term Financial Strategy. It is also in line with the July principles, adopted in 2011 by councillors, which sets out guiding strategic priorities and principles, where the order of priority services should be to continue to provide everything which is statutory and maintain services, within limits, to the vulnerable and elderly, with the council being an enabler, working with partners to provide services.
3. Who will be affected by this proposal? For example who are the external/internal customers, communities, partners, stakeholders, the workforce etc.	Service users – people with mental health, learning disabilities, physical disabilities, older people, single homeless people, young people at risk, teenage parents, ex-offenders and people affected by domestic violence.
4. Is the responsibility shared with another department, authority or organisation? If so, who are the partners and who has overall	Although the responsibility is not shared with another department, the consequences of this proposed budget saving is that it may increase financial pressure and an increased workload on the Housing Needs and Enabling service and the Children, Schools and Families department.

Stage 2: Collecting evidence/ data

5. What evidence have you considered as part of this assessment?

Detailed consultation is being undertaken between October and December 2015 on this proposed saving as part of the wider consultation on all savings within Adult Social Care, including a comprehensive consultation document available on the council's website, a dedicated email available to receive feedback, conducting an on-line survey, providing hard copy and feedback forms in various locations, easy read versions available in hard and soft copy formats, holding focus groups with specific customers, holding consultation meetings with staff, holding public meetings and meeting with voluntary organisations.

There are currently 79 service users who are adults with learning disabilities, aged between 21 – 54 years of age. The ethnicity data shows 66% White British (52) and the rest of the service users from Asian / British – Indian (1), Black / British – African (3), Black / British – Caribbean (5), Black / British – other black (2), Mixed other (1), Mixed – White / Black Caribbean (1), Other ethnic group (4) and White other (2), White Irish (4) backgrounds and there were Declined to say or not recorded (4).

On an operational level the evidence considered has been to:

- look at local information about trends, needs and best practice;
- review national benchmarking information about our performance (Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework (ASCOF) and Personal Social Services Expenditure and Unit Costs) compared to other councils;
- consider the impact of pressures such as new legislation, demographic growth and Public Health Needs Assessments;
- use the Use of Resources Framework which takes a value based approach to investment - value is defined as value to the customer and the taxpayer;
- review and monitor contracted services to check if fit for purpose as well as negotiate rates to ensure value for money using tools such as the Care Funding Calculator;
- redesign or remodel the way we commission services to achieve better outcomes for customers in the most cost effective way;
- review our processes to ensure they are LEAN; and
- keep on-going support under review to ensure the support given remains appropriate and represents value for money.

The results of the consultation will be used to update this equalities analysis and also inform the planning process to mitigate against any identified risks to service users in the protected characteristics.

Stage 3: Assessing impact and analysis

6. From the evidence you have considered, what areas of concern have you identified regarding the potential negative and positive impact on one or more protected characteristics (equality groups)?

Protected characteristic (equality group)	Tick which applies		Tick which applies		Reason Briefly explain what positive or negative impact has been identified
	Positive impact		Potential negative impact		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Age		✓	✓		The proposal will affect the housing related support for vulnerable people, by reducing the number of people we could support and the range of support we could provide, therefore reducing their housing options.
Disability		✓	✓		The proposal will affect the housing related support for vulnerable disabled people, by reducing the number of people we could support and the range of support we could provide, therefore reducing their housing options.
Gender Reassignment		✓		✓	N/A
Marriage and Civil Partnership		✓		✓	N/A
Pregnancy and Maternity		✓	✓		The proposal will affect the housing related support for vulnerable mothers, by reducing the number of people we could support and the range of support we could provide, therefore reducing their housing options.
Race		✓	✓		The proposal will affect the housing related support for vulnerable people from a BME background, by reducing the number of people we could support and the range of support we could provide, therefore reducing their housing options
Religion/ belief		✓		✓	N/A
Sex (Gender)		✓		✓	N/A
Sexual orientation		✓		✓	N/A
Socio-economic status		✓	✓		The proposal will affect the housing related support for vulnerable people in lower socio-economic groups, by reducing the number of people we could support and the range of support we could provide, therefore reducing their housing options.

7. Equality Analysis Improvement Action Plan template – Making adjustments for negative impact

Negative impact / gap in information identified in the Equality Analysis	<p>The proposal will affect the housing related support for vulnerable people, by reducing the number of people we could support and the range of support we could provide, therefore reducing the housing options to vulnerable people.</p>
Action required to mitigate	<p>The Adult Social Care re-design programme, increases the emphasis on the customer, their well being and the development of suitable solutions, whilst ensuring customers are not at risk and where possible enabling their independence to live as they desire where this is possible. This will be achieved through harnessing the strengths and assets of individuals, families, communities and working closely with the voluntary sector to enable them to become more resilient in finding solutions for their lives, as well as supporting people to regain independence.</p> <p>A clear communication plan will also be developed to ensure customers and stakeholders understand the shift in council policy around promoting greater independence, with the potential of a reduced service offer but recognising the partnership working with other council teams and the health and voluntary sector to ensure a more holistic and joined up approach to developing support solutions. The customer will be put at the heart of the process and a much greater sense of independence enabled where this is possible.</p> <p>Internal processes will continue to be reviewed to ensure staff are suitably trained to ensure resources are allocated fairly and to best effect; resource panels are in place (over a certain threshold); support packages are reviewed; and performance monitored in the allocation of resources via the quality framework. Also improved integrated working practices will be implemented across other council teams, the voluntary sector and health partners.</p> <p>Monitoring will take place of changes and staff will be suitably trained to ensure customer needs are being adequately met and the council is not in breach of meeting its statutory responsibilities.</p> <p>We will also ensure that any identified changes to support solutions are put in place swiftly and regular customer contact will be used as a mechanism to ensure that any changes made to support solutions around promoting greater independence does enhance the customer's quality of life.</p> <p>The results of the consultation planned between October and December 2015, will help to identify what further actions can be taken to mitigate against any negative impact.</p>
How will you know this is achieved? e.g. performance measure / target	<p>National performance indicators (ASCOF) and local performance monitoring.</p>
By when	<p>March 2017</p>
Existing or additional resources?	<p>Existing</p>
Lead Officer	<p>Rahat Ahmed-Man</p>

Action added to divisional / team plan?	Included in the Adult Social Care re-design programme.
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Stage 4: Conclusion of the Equality Analysis

8. Which of the following statements best describe the outcome of the EA (Tick one box only)

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OUTCOME 1

OUTCOME 2

OUTCOME 3

OUTCOME 4

Stage 5: Sign off by Director/ Head of Service

Assessment completed by	Rahat Ahmed-Man, Head of Assessment and Commissioning	Signature: Rahat Ahmed-Man	Date: 12.10.15
Improvement action plan signed off by Director/ Head of Service	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	Signature: Simon Williams	Date: 12.10.15

Equality Analysis



What are the proposals being assessed?	Budget saving CH53 – use funds from Public Health to fund the prevention strategy which is currently funded from grants
Which Department/ Division has the responsibility for this?	Community and Housing, Adult Social Care

Stage 1: Overview	
Name and job title of lead officer	Rahat Ahmed-Man, Head of Assessment and Commissioning
1. What are the aims, objectives and desired outcomes of your proposal? (Also explain proposals e.g. reduction/removal of service, deletion of posts, changing criteria etc)	The aim and desired outcome of the proposal is to continue to provide prevention activity but for it to be funded from a different source and provided by Adult Social Care. It also supports the commitment in the Adult Social Care Target Operating Model (TOM) to continue the Ageing Well Prevention programme, but with less funding from the council. However, this may mean that some Public Health activities may not be available in the future as there will be reduced funding available to the Public Health team.
2. How does this contribute to the council's corporate priorities?	The Adult Social Care Service plan and TOM contribute to the council's overall priorities and will ensure that the savings targets are achieved in line with the corporate Business Plan and the Medium Term Financial Strategy. It is also in line with the July principles, adopted in 2011 by councillors, which sets out guiding strategic priorities and principles, where the order of priority services should be to continue to provide everything which is statutory and maintain services, within limits, to the vulnerable and elderly, with the council being an enabler, working with partners to provide services.
3. Who will be affected by this proposal? For example who are the external/internal customers, communities, partners, stakeholders, the workforce etc.	It is not currently known who will be affected or what future funding issues Public Health may face. When these details are known, Public Health will undertake any necessary equalities analysis.
4. Is the responsibility shared with another department, authority or organisation? If so, who are the partners and who has overall responsibility?	The responsibility for the prevention activity will be moved from Public Health to Adult Social Care.

Stage 2: Collecting evidence/ data

5. What evidence have you considered as part of this assessment?

The Use of Resources Framework, which takes a value based approach to investment (value is defined as value to the customer and the taxpayer) and promotes the independence of individuals and reduces reliance on council funded services, utilising the approach around the Use of Resources Framework of Prevention; Recovery; Long term support; Process; Partnership; and Contributions.

It is not currently known who will be affected or what future funding issues Public Health may face. When these details are known, Public Health will undertake any necessary equalities analysis.

Stage 3: Assessing impact and analysis

6. From the evidence you have considered, what areas of concern have you identified regarding the potential negative and positive impact on one or more protected characteristics (equality groups)?

Protected characteristic (equality group)	Tick which applies		Tick which applies		Reason Briefly explain what positive or negative impact has been identified
	Positive impact		Potential negative impact		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Age	✓			✓	There will be no impact on the protected characteristics as the prevention activity will continue to be provided.
Disability	✓			✓	There will be no impact on the protected characteristics as the prevention activity will continue to be provided.
Gender Reassignment	✓			✓	There will be no impact on the protected characteristics as the prevention activity will continue to be provided.
Marriage and Civil Partnership	✓			✓	There will be no impact on the protected characteristics as the prevention activity will continue to be provided.
Pregnancy and Maternity	✓			✓	There will be no impact on the protected characteristics as the prevention activity will continue to be provided.
Race	✓			✓	There will be no impact on the protected characteristics as the prevention activity will continue to be provided.
Religion/ belief	✓			✓	There will be no impact on the protected characteristics as the prevention activity will continue to be provided.
Sex (Gender)	✓			✓	There will be no impact on the protected characteristics as the prevention activity will continue to be provided.
Sexual orientation	✓			✓	There will be no impact on the protected characteristics as the prevention activity will continue to be provided.
Socio-economic status	✓			✓	There will be no impact on the protected characteristics as the prevention activity will continue to be provided.

7. Equality Analysis Improvement Action Plan template – Making adjustments for negative impact

Negative impact/ gap in information identified in the Equality Analysis	Action required to mitigate	How will you know this is achieved? e.g. performance measure/ target)	By when	Existing or additional resources?	Lead Officer	Action added to divisional/ team plan?
N/A						

Note that the full impact of the decision may only be known after the proposals have been implemented; therefore it is important the effective monitoring is in place to assess the impact.

Stage 4: Conclusion of the Equality Analysis

8. Which of the following statements best describe the outcome of the EA (Tick one box only)

OUTCOME 1

OUTCOME 2

OUTCOME 3

OUTCOME 4

Stage 5: Sign off by Director/ Head of Service

Assessment completed by	Rahat Ahmed-Man, Head of Assessment and Commissioning	Signature: Rahat Ahmed-Man	Date: 12.10.15
Improvement action plan signed off by Director/ Head of Service	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	Signature: Simon Williams	Date: 12.10.15

Equality Analysis



What are the proposals being assessed?	Proposed budget saving CH55 – Less 3 rd party payments through Promoting Independence throughout the assessment, support, planning and review process and across all client groups
Which Department/ Division has the responsibility for this?	Community and Housing, Adult Social Care

Stage 1: Overview	
Name and job title of lead officer	Rahat Ahmed-Man, Head of Assessment and Commissioning
1. What are the aims, objectives and desired outcomes of your proposal? (Also explain proposals e.g. reduction/removal of service, deletion of posts, changing criteria etc)	The aim and desired outcome of the proposal is to achieve the proposed budget savings in a way that the service continues to meet its statutory duties and minimises adverse impact on service users, taking in to account previous budget savings and the cumulative effect on service delivery. This proposal supports the Target Operating Model (TOM) commitment to use review processes to promote an explicit hierarchy of support offered in order to promote self-support and independence. It is intended to do this using an approach which promotes the independence of individuals and reduces reliance on council funded services, utilising the approach around the Use of Resources Framework of Prevention; Recovery; Long term support; Process; Partnership; and Contributions.
2. How does this contribute to the council's corporate priorities?	The Adult Social Care Service plan and TOM contribute to the council's overall priorities and will ensure that the savings targets are achieved in line with the corporate Business Plan and the Medium Term Financial Strategy. It is also in line with the July principles, adopted in 2011 by councillors, which sets out guiding strategic priorities and principles, where the order of priority services should be to continue to provide everything which is statutory and maintain services, within limits, to the vulnerable and elderly, with the council being an enabler, working with partners to provide services.
3. Who will be affected by this proposal? For example who are the external/internal customers, communities, partners, stakeholders, the workforce etc.	Service users
4. Is the responsibility shared with another department, authority or organisation? If so, who are the partners and who has overall responsibility?	N/A

Stage 2: Collecting evidence/ data

5. What evidence have you considered as part of this assessment?

Detailed consultation is being undertaken between October and December 2015 on this proposed saving as part of the wider consultation on all savings within Adult Social Care, including a comprehensive consultation document available on the council's website, a dedicated email available to receive feedback, conducting an on-line survey, providing hard copy and feedback forms in various locations, easy read versions available in hard and soft copy formats, holding focus groups with specific customers, holding consultation meetings with staff, holding public meetings and meeting with voluntary organisations.

At the end of 2014/15 there were 4,095 service users receiving long term support with other service users receiving temporary support.

On an operational level the evidence considered has been to:

- looked at local information about trends, needs and best practice;
- reviewed national benchmarking information about our performance (Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework (ASCOF) and Personal Social Services Expenditure and Unit Costs) compared to other councils;
- considered the impact of pressures such as new legislation, demographic growth and Public Health Needs Assessments;
- used the Use of Resources Framework which takes a value based approach to investment - value is defined as value to the customer and the taxpayer;
- reviewed and monitored contracted services to check if fit for purpose as well as negotiate rates to ensure value for money using tools such as the Care Funding Calculator;
- redesigned or remodelled the way we commission services to achieve better outcomes for customers in the most cost effective way;
- reviewed our processes to ensure they are LEAN; and
- kept on-going support under review.

The results of the consultation will be used to update this equalities analysis and also inform the planning process to mitigate against any identified risks to service users in the protected characteristics.

Stage 3: Assessing impact and analysis

6. From the evidence you have considered, what areas of concern have you identified regarding the potential negative and positive impact on one or more protected characteristics (equality groups)?

Protected characteristic (equality group)	Tick which applies		Tick which applies		Reason Briefly explain what positive or negative impact has been identified
	Positive impact		Potential negative impact		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Age		✓	✓		Reduced access to services relating to residential and domiciliary care
Disability		✓	✓		Reduced access to services relating to residential and domiciliary care
Gender Reassignment		✓		✓	N/A
Marriage and Civil Partnership		✓		✓	N/A
Pregnancy and Maternity		✓	✓		Reduced access to services relating to residential and domiciliary care
Race		✓	✓		Reduced access to services relating to residential and domiciliary care
Religion/ belief		✓		✓	N/A
Sex (Gender)		✓		✓	N/A
Sexual orientation		✓		✓	N/A
Socio-economic status		✓	✓		Reduced access to services relating to residential and domiciliary care

7. Equality Analysis Improvement Action Plan template – Making adjustments for negative impact

This action plan should be completed after the analysis and should outline action(s) to be taken to mitigate the potential negative impact identified (expanding on information provided in Section 7 above).

Negative impact / gap in information identified in the Equality Analysis	Reduced access to services relating to residential and domiciliary care.
Action required to mitigate	<p>The Adult Social Care re-design programme, increases the emphasis on the customer, their well being and the development of suitable solutions, whilst ensuring customers are not at risk and where possible enabling their independence to live as they desire where this is possible. This will be achieved through harnessing the strengths and assets of individuals, families, communities and working closely with the voluntary sector to enable them to become more resilient in finding solutions for their lives, as well as supporting people to regain independence.</p> <p>A clear communication plan will also be developed to ensure customers and stakeholders understand the shift in council policy around promoting greater independence, with the potential of a reduced service offer but recognising the partnership working with both the health and voluntary sector to ensure a more holistic and joined up approach to developing support solutions. The customer will be put at the heart of the process and a much greater sense of independence enabled where this is possible.</p> <p>Monitoring will take place of changes and staff will be suitably trained to ensure customer needs are being adequately met and the council is not in breach of meeting its statutory responsibilities.</p> <p>We will also ensure that any identified changes to support solutions are put in place swiftly and regular customer contact will be used as a mechanism to ensure that any changes made to support solutions around promoting greater independence does enhance the customer's quality of life.</p> <p>Internal processes will continue to be reviewed to ensure staff are suitably trained to ensure resources are allocated fairly and to best effect; resource panels are in place (over a certain threshold); support packages are reviewed; and performance monitored in the allocation of resources via the quality framework. Also improved working practices will be implemented across other council teams, the voluntary sector and health partners.</p> <p>The results of the consultation planned between October and December 2015, will help to identify what further actions can be taken to mitigate against any negative impact.</p>
How will you know this is achieved? e.g. performance measure / target	National performance indicators (ASCOF) and local performance monitoring.
By when	March 2018
Existing or additional	Existing

resources?	
Lead Officer	Rahat Ahmed-Man
Action added to divisional / team plan?	Included in the Adult Social care re-design programme.

Note that the full impact of the decision may only be known after the proposals have been implemented; therefore it is important the effective monitoring is in place to assess the impact.

Stage 4: Conclusion of the Equality Analysis

8. Which of the following statements best describe the outcome of the EA (Tick one box only)

OUTCOME 1

OUTCOME 2

OUTCOME 3

OUTCOME 4

Stage 5: Sign off by Director/ Head of Service

Assessment completed by	Rahat Ahmed-Man, Head of Assessment and Commissioning	Signature: Rahat Ahmed-Man	Date: 12.10.15
Improvement action plan signed off by Director/ Head of Service	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	Signature: Simon Williams	Date: 12.10.15

Equality Analysis



What are the proposals being assessed?	Budget saving CH62 – Cease the supported accommodation provision from Family Mosaic
Which Department/ Division has the responsibility for this?	Community and Housing, Adult Social Care

Stage 1: Overview	
Name and job title of lead officer	Rahat Ahmed-Man, Head of Assessment and Commissioning
1. What are the aims, objectives and desired outcomes of your proposal? (Also explain proposals e.g. reduction/removal of service, deletion of posts, changing criteria etc)	The aim and desired outcome is to achieve the proposed budget savings in a way that the service continues to meet its statutory duties and minimises adverse impact on service users. It is intended to do this using an approach which promotes independence and reduces reliance on council funded services, utilising the approach around the Use of Resources Framework of Prevention; Recovery; Long term support; Process; Partnership; and Contributions. This proposal supports the Adult Social Care commissioning and procurement plan and the Target Operating Model (TOM) commitment of service transformation, by providing an alternative service through domiciliary care services, Direct payments and commissioned holistic carers and support from the voluntary sector.
2. How does this contribute to the council's corporate priorities?	The Adult Social Care Service plan and TOM contribute to the council's overall priorities and will ensure that the savings targets are achieved in line with the corporate Business Plan and the Medium Term Financial Strategy. It is also in line with the July principles, adopted in 2011 by councillors, which sets out guiding strategic priorities and principles, where the order of priority services should be to continue to provide everything which is statutory and maintain services, within limits, to the vulnerable and elderly, with the council being an enabler, working with partners to provide services.
3. Who will be affected by this proposal? For example who are the external/internal customers, communities, partners, stakeholders, the workforce etc.	Service users
4. Is the responsibility shared with another department, authority or organisation? If so, who are the partners and who has overall responsibility?	N/A

Stage 2: Collecting evidence/ data

5. What evidence have you considered as part of this assessment?

Provide details of the information you have reviewed to determine the impact your proposal would have on the protected characteristics (equality groups).

Detailed consultation is being undertaken between October and December 2015 on this proposed saving as part of the wider consultation on all savings within Adult Social Care, including a comprehensive consultation document available on the council's website, a dedicated email available to receive feedback, conducting an on-line survey, providing hard copy and feedback forms in various locations, easy read versions available in hard and soft copy formats, holding focus groups with specific customers, holding consultation meetings with staff, holding public meetings and meeting with voluntary organisations.

There are currently two adults with mental health issues at this facility.

This specific saving is due to Family Mosaic ceasing providing this specific service within Merton.

Stage 3: Assessing impact and analysis

6. From the evidence you have considered, what areas of concern have you identified regarding the potential negative and positive impact on one or more protected characteristics (equality groups)?

Protected characteristic (equality group)	Tick which applies		Tick which applies		Reason Briefly explain what positive or negative impact has been identified
	Positive impact		Potential negative impact		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Age		✓		✓	
Disability		✓	✓		There may be a delay in accessing suitable accommodation when this service ceases to be provided
Gender Reassignment		✓		✓	N/A
Marriage and Civil Partnership		✓		✓	N/A
Pregnancy and Maternity		✓		✓	N/A
Race		✓		✓	N/A
Religion/ belief		✓		✓	N/A
Sex (Gender)		✓		✓	N/A
Sexual orientation		✓		✓	N/A

Socio-economic status		✓		✓	N/A
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7. Equality Analysis Improvement Action Plan template – Making adjustments for negative impact

This action plan should be completed after the analysis and should outline action(s) to be taken to mitigate the potential negative impact identified (expanding on information provided in Section 7 above).

Negative impact / gap in information identified in the Equality Analysis	There may be a delay in accessing suitable accommodation when this service ceases to be provided.
Action required to mitigate	The Adult Social Care re-design programme, increases the emphasis on the customer, their well being and the development of suitable solutions, whilst ensuring customers are not at risk and where possible enabling their independence to live as they desire where this is possible. This will be achieved through harnessing the strengths and assets of individuals, families, communities and working closely with the voluntary sector to enable them to become more resilient in finding solutions for their lives, as well as supporting people to regain independence. We will work closely with service providers to ensure suitable alternative accommodation is available.
How will you know this is achieved? e.g. performance measure / target	Contract will cease.
By when	March 2016
Existing or additional resources?	Existing
Lead Officer	Rahat Ahmed-Man
Action added to divisional / team plan?	Included in the Adult Social care re-design programme

Note that the full impact of the decision may only be known after the proposals have been implemented; therefore it is important the effective monitoring is in place to assess the impact.

Stage 4: Conclusion of the Equality Analysis

8. Which of the following statements best describe the outcome of the EA (Tick one box only)

Please refer to the guidance for carrying out Equality Impact Assessments is available on the intranet for further information about these outcomes and what they mean for your proposal

OUTCOME 1

OUTCOME 2

OUTCOME 3

OUTCOME 4



Stage 5: Sign off by Director/ Head of Service			
Assessment completed by	Rahat Ahmed-Man, Head of Assessment and Commissioning	Signature: Rahat Ahmed-Man	Date: 12.10.15
Improvement action plan signed off by Director/ Head of Service	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	Signature: Simon Williams	Date: 12.10.15

Equality Analysis



What are the proposals being assessed?	Budget saving CH64 – position now funded by Public Health
Which Department/ Division has the responsibility for this?	Community and Housing, Adult Social Care

Stage 1: Overview	
Name and job title of lead officer	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing
1. What are the aims, objectives and desired outcomes of your proposal? (Also explain proposals e.g. reduction/removal of service, deletion of posts, changing criteria etc)	For the post to be funded by Public Health.
2. How does this contribute to the council's corporate priorities?	The Adult Social Care Service plan and TOM contribute to the council's overall priorities and will ensure that the savings targets are achieved in line with the corporate Business Plan and the Medium Term Financial Strategy. It is also in line with the July principles, adopted in 2011 by councillors, which sets out guiding strategic priorities and principles, where the order of priority services should be to continue to provide everything which is statutory and maintain services, within limits, to the vulnerable and elderly, with the council being an enabler, working with partners to provide services.
3. Who will be affected by this proposal? For example who are the external/internal customers, communities, partners, stakeholders, the workforce etc.	N/A
4. Is the responsibility shared with another department, authority or organisation? If so, who are the partners and who has overall responsibility?	N/A

Stage 2: Collecting evidence/ data

5. What evidence have you considered as part of this assessment?

Provide details of the information you have reviewed to determine the impact your proposal would have on the protected characteristics (equality groups).

N/A – the post is now funded by Public Health.

Stage 3: Assessing impact and analysis

6. From the evidence you have considered, what areas of concern have you identified regarding the potential negative and positive impact on one or more protected characteristics (equality groups)?

Protected characteristic (equality group)	Tick which applies		Tick which applies		Reason Briefly explain what positive or negative impact has been identified
	Positive impact		Potential negative impact		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Age		✓		✓	N/A
Disability		✓		✓	N/A
Gender Reassignment		✓		✓	N/A
Marriage and Civil Partnership		✓		✓	N/A
Pregnancy and Maternity		✓		✓	N/A
Race		✓		✓	N/A
Religion/ belief		✓		✓	N/A
Sex (Gender)		✓		✓	N/A
Sexual orientation		✓		✓	N/A
Socio-economic status		✓		✓	N/A

7. Equality Analysis Improvement Action Plan template – Making adjustments for negative impact

This action plan should be completed after the analysis and should outline action(s) to be taken to mitigate the potential negative impact identified (expanding on information provided in Section 7 above).

Negative impact/ gap in information identified in the Equality Analysis	Action required to mitigate	How will you know this is achieved? e.g. performance measure/ target)	By when	Existing or additional resources?	Lead Officer	Action added to divisional/ team plan?
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Note that the full impact of the decision may only be known after the proposals have been implemented; therefore it is important the effective monitoring is in place to assess the impact.

Stage 4: Conclusion of the Equality Analysis

8. Which of the following statements best describe the outcome of the EA (Tick one box only)

Please refer to the guidance for carrying out Equality Impact Assessments is available on the intranet for further information about these outcomes and what they mean for your proposal

OUTCOME 1

OUTCOME 2

OUTCOME 3

OUTCOME 4

Stage 5: Sign off by Director/ Head of Service

Assessment completed by	Karin Lane, Business Partner	Signature: Karin Lane	Date: 12.10.15
Improvement action plan signed off by Director/ Head of Service	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	Signature: Simon Williams	Date: 12.10.15

Equality Analysis



What are the proposals being assessed?	Proposed budget saving CH65 – Reduce management costs through "Joint Posts" in a shared service arrangement with a nearby LA/NHS Organisation (2018/19).
Which Department / Division has the responsibility for this?	Community and Housing, Adult Social Care

Stage 1: Overview	
Name and job title of lead officer	Rahat Ahmed-Man, Head of Assessment and Commissioning
1. What are the aims, objectives and desired outcomes of your proposal? (Also explain proposals e.g. reduction/removal of service, deletion of posts, changing criteria etc)	<p>The aim and desired outcome of the proposal is to achieve the required budget savings in a way that the service continues to meet its statutory duties and minimises any adverse impact on service users, taking in to account previous budget savings and the cumulative effect on service delivery. It is intended to do this via the provision of a shared service which should ensure service levels will not be affected.</p> <p>As the saving is for 2018/19, it is not currently known which area of Adult Social Care will be identified for a shared service. However, the savings will be met through reduced management costs e.g. shared office accommodation and possible staff savings.</p>
2. How does this contribute to the council's corporate priorities?	The Adult Social Care Service plan and TOM contribute to the council's overall priorities and will ensure that the savings targets are achieved in line with the corporate Business Plan and the Medium Term Financial Strategy. It is also in line with the July principles, adopted in 2011 by councillors, which sets out guiding strategic priorities and principles, where the order of priority services should be to continue to provide everything which is statutory and maintain services, within limits, to the vulnerable and elderly, with the council being an enabler, working with partners to provide services.
3. Who will be affected by this proposal? For example who are the external/internal customers, communities, partners, stakeholders, the workforce etc.	Staff will be affected.
4. Is the responsibility shared with another department, authority or organisation? If so, who are the partners and who has overall responsibility?	HR and Legal input will be required.

Stage 2: Collecting evidence/ data

5. What evidence have you considered as part of this assessment?

On an operational level the evidence considered has been to:

- look at local information about trends, needs and best practice;
- review national benchmarking information about our performance (Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework (ASCOF) and Personal Social Services Expenditure and Unit Costs) compared to other councils;
- consider the impact of pressures such as new legislation, demographic growth and Public Health Needs Assessments;
- use the Use of Resources Framework which takes a value based approach to investment - value is defined as value to the customer and the taxpayer;
- review and monitor contracted services to check if fit for purpose as well as negotiate rates to ensure value for money using tools such as the Care Funding Calculator;
- redesign or remodel the way we commission services to achieve better outcomes for customers in the most cost effective way;
- review our processes to ensure they are LEAN; and
- keep on-going support under review to ensure the support given remains appropriate and represents value for money.

Consultation with staff will be undertaken.

Stage 3: Assessing impact and analysis

6. From the evidence you have considered, what areas of concern have you identified regarding the potential negative and positive impact on one or more protected characteristics (equality groups)?

Protected characteristic (equality group)	Tick which applies		Tick which applies		Reason Briefly explain what positive or negative impact has been identified
	Positive impact		Potential negative impact		
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Age		✓	✓		Staff from this protected characteristic could be made redundant
Disability		✓	✓		Staff from this protected characteristic could be made redundant

Gender Reassignment		✓		✓	N/A
Marriage and Civil Partnership		✓		✓	N/A
Pregnancy and Maternity		✓	✓		Staff from this protected characteristic could be made redundant
Race		✓	✓		Staff from this protected characteristic could be made redundant
Religion/ belief		✓		✓	N/A
Sex (Gender)		✓	✓		Staff from this protected characteristic could be made redundant
Sexual orientation		✓		✓	N/A
Socio-economic status		✓		✓	N/A

7. Equality Analysis Improvement Action Plan template – Making adjustments for negative impact

Negative impact / gap in information identified in the Equality Analysis	Impact on staff who may be made redundant.
Action required to mitigate	<p>All staffing changes will be managed in line with the council's Managing Organisational Change Framework, including regular communication and engagement with affected staff, staff groups and unions.</p> <p>The TOM and the corresponding delivery mechanism of the Adult Social Care redesign programme reflect the approach to transforming service delivery.</p> <p>Monitoring will take place of changes and staff will be suitably trained to ensure customer needs are being adequately met and the council is not in breach of meeting its statutory responsibilities.</p> <p>A further EA will be needed to be undertaken by HR when the staff who may be at risk from redundancy have been identified.</p>
How will you know this is achieved? e.g. performance measure / target	Shared service in place.
By when	March 2018
Existing or additional resources?	Existing
Lead Officer	Rahat Ahmed-Man
Action added to divisional / team plan?	Included in the Adult Social care re-design programme

Note that the full impact of the decision may only be known after the proposals have been implemented; therefore it is important the effective monitoring is in place to assess the impact.

Stage 4: Conclusion of the Equality Analysis

8. Which of the following statements best describe the outcome of the EA (Tick one box only)

OUTCOME 1

The EA has not identified any potential for discrimination or negative impact and all opportunities to promote equality are being addressed. No changes are required.

OUTCOME 2

The EA has identified adjustments to remove negative impact or to better promote equality. Actions you propose to take to do this should be included in the Action Plan.

OUTCOME 3

The EA has identified some potential for negative impact or some missed opportunities to promote equality and it may not be possible to mitigate this fully.

OUTCOME 4

The EA shows actual or potential unlawful discrimination. Stop and rethink your proposals.

Stage 5: Sign off by Director/ Head of Service

Assessment completed by	Rahat Ahmed-Man, Head of Assessment and Commissioning	Signature: Rahat Ahmed-Man	Date: 10.11.15
Improvement action plan signed off by Director/ Head of Service	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	Signature: Simon Williams	Date: 10.11.15

Equality Analysis



What are the proposals being assessed?	Proposed budget saving CH66 – Look at opportunities for shared services for in-house services (2018/19)
Which Department / Division has the responsibility for this?	Community and Housing, Adult Social Care

Stage 1: Overview	
Name and job title of lead officer	Andy Ottaway-Searle, Head of Direct Provision
1. What are the aims, objectives and desired outcomes of your proposal? (Also explain proposals e.g. reduction/removal of service, deletion of posts, changing criteria etc)	<p>The aim and desired outcome of the proposal is to achieve the required budget savings in a way that the service continues to meet its statutory duties and minimises any adverse impact on service users, taking in to account previous budget savings and the cumulative effect on service delivery. It is intended to do this via the provision of a shared service which should ensure service levels will not be affected.</p> <p>As the saving is for 2018/19, it is not currently known which area of Direct Provision will be identified for a shared service. However, the savings will be met through reduced costs e.g. shared office accommodation, possible staff reductions and potential opportunities for raising income through acquiring other contracts.</p>
2. How does this contribute to the council's corporate priorities?	The Adult Social Care Service plan and TOM contribute to the council's overall priorities and will ensure that the savings targets are achieved in line with the corporate Business Plan and the Medium Term Financial Strategy. It is also in line with the July principles, adopted in 2011 by councillors, which sets out guiding strategic priorities and principles, where the order of priority services should be to continue to provide everything which is statutory and maintain services, within limits, to the vulnerable and elderly, with the council being an enabler, working with partners to provide services.
3. Who will be affected by this proposal? For example who are the external/internal customers, communities, partners, stakeholders, the workforce etc.	Staff will be affected.
4. Is the responsibility shared with another department, authority or organisation? If so, who are the partners and who has overall responsibility?	HR and Legal input will be required.

Stage 2: Collecting evidence/ data

5. What evidence have you considered as part of this assessment?

On an operational level the evidence considered has been to:

- look at local information about trends, needs and best practice;
- review national benchmarking information about our performance (Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework (ASCOF) and Personal Social Services Expenditure and Unit Costs) compared to other councils;
- consider the impact of pressures such as new legislation, demographic growth and Public Health Needs Assessments;
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- review and monitor contracted services to check if fit for purpose as well as negotiate rates to ensure value for money using tools such as the Care Funding Calculator;
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- review our processes to ensure they are LEAN; and
- keep on-going support under review to ensure the support given remains appropriate and represents value for money.

Consultation with staff will be undertaken.

Stage 3: Assessing impact and analysis

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Socio-economic status		✓		✓	N/A

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How will you know this is achieved? e.g. performance measure / target	Shared service in place.
By when	March 2018
Existing or additional resources?	Existing
Lead Officer	Andy Ottaway-Searle
Action added to divisional / team plan?	Included in the Adult Social care re-design programme

Note that the full impact of the decision may only be known after the proposals have been implemented; therefore it is important the effective monitoring is in place to assess the impact.

Stage 4: Conclusion of the Equality Analysis

8. Which of the following statements best describe the outcome of the EA (Tick one box only)

OUTCOME 1

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OUTCOME 2

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OUTCOME 3

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OUTCOME 4

The EA shows actual or potential unlawful discrimination. Stop and rethink your proposals.

Stage 5: Sign off by Director/ Head of Service

Assessment completed by	Andy Ottaway-Searle, Head of Direct Provision	Signature: Andy Ottaway-Searle	Date: 12.10.15
Improvement action plan signed off by Director/ Head of Service	Simon Williams, Director of Community and Housing	Signature: Simon Williams	Date: 12.10.15