

Equality Impact Assessment
Project name – Homes in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document



1. Purpose and Scope

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Sunderland City Council intends to produce and formally adopt a Homes in Multiple Occupation (HMO) Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) in order to provide additional planning guidance to control the development of new HMOs.

Scope

The purpose of the HMO SPD is to provide further detail and support policies in the Core Strategy and Development Plan. It does not have Development Plan status, but it can be accorded significant weight as a material planning consideration in the determination of planning applications. The provisions of an SPD cannot therefore be regarded as prescriptive, but it can provide a tool in the interpretation and application of policy.

2. Analysis of Impact on People

Characteristics	List of Impacts		
	Positive	Neutral	Negative
Age	None	None	No known negative impacts.
Disability	As above.	None	No known negative impacts.
Gender/Sex	As above.	None	No known negative impacts.
Marriage and Civil Partnership	As above.	None	No known negative impacts.
Pregnancy & Maternity	As above.	None	No known negative impacts.
Race/Ethnicity	As above.	None	No known negative impacts.
Religion/Belief	As above.	None	No known negative impacts.
Sexual Orientation	As above.	None	No known negative impacts.
Transgender/gender identity	As above.	None	No known negative impacts.

Other individuals or groups impacted on:

It is not anticipated that any other specific groups or communities would be affected by the SPD.

Gaps in intelligence and information:

The Council does not consider that there are any gaps in our intelligence regarding equalities matters.

3. Summary of Impacts and Response to Analysis

It is not anticipated that any other specific groups or communities would be affected by this project

4. Response to Analysis, Action Plan and Monitoring

Action	Who	When	Monitoring Arrangements
Adoption by Cabinet	Strategic and Sustainable Plans Team	December 2020	Manage against indicated timescale.