

Equality Impact Assessment Screening Form – Appendix B

Please ensure that you refer to the Screening Form Guidance while completing this form. If you would like further guidance please contact the Access to Services team (see guidance for details).

Section 1

Which service area and directorate are you from?

Service Area: **Planning and City Regeneration**

Directorate: **Place**

Q1(a) WHAT ARE YOU SCREENING FOR RELEVANCE?

Service/
Function

Policy/
Procedure

Project

Strategy

Plan

Proposal

(b) Please name and describe here:

Name:

Report seeking endorsement from Members that Swansea Council should become a signatory to the Placemaking Charter

Description:

Placemaking is the proactive and collaborative process of creating and managing places. Placemaking is a key process to deliver the duties of the Well Being of Future Generations Act. Swansea Council Planning Service is acknowledged at being at the vanguard of the Placemaking approach in Wales. The Council adopted the Swansea Local Development Plan (LDP) in 2019, which has been highlighted as an exemplar development plan that embeds placemaking into strategic planning decision making. The process of Placemaking is also multi-disciplinary which aligns with the collaborative 'One Swansea' working approach.

The Placemaking Wales Charter was launched in September 2020 by Julie James Minister for Housing and Local Government. The charter has been developed in collaboration with the Placemaking Wales Partnership, which is made up of stakeholders representing a wide range of interests representing professions and organisations working within the built and natural environment. The Charter reflects the collective and individual commitment of these organisations to support the development of high-quality places across Wales for the benefit of communities.

As a signatory to the Placemaking Charter this is a pledge to:

- Involve the local community in the development of proposals
- Choose sustainable locations for new development
- Prioritise walking, cycling and public transport
- Create inclusive, well defined, safe and welcoming streets and public spaces
- Promote a sustainable mix of uses to make places vibrant
- Value and respect the positive distinctive qualities and identity of existing places.

Swansea Council is already addressing and delivering many of these holistic

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Placemaking outcomes as evidenced by Swansea Central, 21st Century Schools program, more Homes Program, Public realm enhancements such as Kingsway, Wind Street and Castle Square.

The pledges of the Placemaking Charter are closely aligned to the Stated outcomes of Swansea: Achieving Better Together:

- Resilient and thriving communities which share responsibility for improving their areas and supporting each other
- Happy, safe and healthy people, with solid networks of support, who feel in control of their personal circumstances and aspirations
- A strong, diverse and adaptable economy which makes the most of Swansea’s and South Wales rich assets and provides meaningful opportunities for local people
- Great places to live, work and visit with outstanding schools, diverse cultural opportunities, transport connections that keep things moving and a healthy environment for all
- High quality public services that work together and alongside communities to deliver services that meet people’s needs

It is apparent that the Placemaking Charter Wales is aligned with the Council’s corporate priorities and is complementary to the current focus of delivery and improvement. Signing of the Charter would emphasize Swansea Councils leadership in of the Placemaking agenda in Local Government.

Q2(a) WHAT DOES Q1a RELATE TO?

Direct front line service delivery <input type="checkbox"/> (H)	Indirect front line service delivery <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (M)	Indirect back room service delivery <input type="checkbox"/> (L)
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(b) DO YOUR CUSTOMERS/CLIENTS ACCESS THIS...?

Because they need to <input type="checkbox"/> (H)	Because they want to <input type="checkbox"/> (M)	Because it is automatically provided to everyone in Swansea <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (M)	On an internal basis i.e. Staff <input type="checkbox"/> (L)
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Q3 WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL IMPACT ON THE FOLLOWING...

	High Impact (H)	Medium Impact (M)	Low Impact (L)	Don't know (H)
Children/young people (0-18) →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Older people (50+) →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Any other age group →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disability →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Race (including refugees) →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Asylum seekers →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gypsies & travellers →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Religion or (non-)belief →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sex →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sexual Orientation →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gender reassignment →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Welsh Language →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Poverty/social exclusion →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carers (inc. young carers) →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community cohesion →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> *	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marriage & civil partnership →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pregnancy and maternity →	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

***The document will improve community cohesion by supporting the implementation of LDP policies on implementing the placemaking approach to new residential developments which contribute to mental and physical wellbeing.**

Q4 WHAT ENGAGEMENT / CONSULTATION / CO-PRODUCTIVE APPROACHES WILL YOU UNDERTAKE?

The report seeks the approval of Members to sign up to the nationally drafted Placemaking Charter. As indicated above this charter aligns with the current Corporate Plan, current Local Development Plan and current actions in Swansea. All of these have been subject to EqIA processes, consultation and the signing of the Charter is simply a recognition of good practice already agreed and being implemented.

Q5(a) HOW VISIBLE IS THIS INITIATIVE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC?

High visibility <input type="checkbox"/> (H)	Medium visibility <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (M)	Low visibility <input type="checkbox"/> (L)
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(b) WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL RISK TO THE COUNCIL'S REPUTATION? (Consider the following impacts – legal, financial, political, media, public perception etc...)

High risk <input type="checkbox"/> (H)	Medium risk <input type="checkbox"/> (M)	Low risk <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (L)
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Q6 Will this initiative have an impact (however minor) on any other Council service?

Yes No **If yes, please provide details below**

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Q7 HOW DID YOU SCORE?

Please tick the relevant box

MOSTLY H and/or M → HIGH PRIORITY → EIA to be completed
Please go to Section 2

MOSTLY L → LOW PRIORITY / NOT RELEVANT → Do not complete EIA
Please go to Q8 followed by Section 2

Q8 If you determine that this initiative is not relevant for an EIA report, you must provide a full explanation here. Please ensure that you cover all of the relevant protected groups.

An Equality Impact Assessment Screening has been undertaken and it has identified mostly low impacts. It is not considered that a EIA report is required because the Placemaking Charter is effective pledges that endorse processes and commitments already in place within the Council. As indicated above the signing of the Placemaking Charter Wales is effectively an endorsement of plans and actions already in place within Swansea which have been subject to the EqIA process. When ever individual projects are reported to Members these will be subject to EqIA screening following established guide lines. It is not considered that a EIA report is required because the Placemaking Charter is effective pledges that endorse processes and commitments already in place within the Council.

Section 2

NB: Please email this completed form to the Access to Services Team for agreement before obtaining approval from your Head of Service. Head of Service approval is only required via email – no electronic signatures or paper copies are needed.

Screening completed by:	
Name:	Steve Smith
Job title:	Placemaking and Heritage Lead
Date:	08/01/21
Approval by Head of Service:	
Name:	Phil Holmes
Position:	Head of Service
Date:	10/02/21

Please return the completed form to accesstoservices@swansea.gov.uk