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Please ensure that you refer to the Screening Form Guidance while completing this form. Which service area and directorate are you from? Service Area: Directorate: Q1 (a) What are you screening for relevance? New and revised policies, practices or procedures Service review, re-organisation or service changes/reductions, which affect the wider community, service users and/or staff Efficiency or saving proposals Setting budget allocations for new financial year and strategic financial planning New project proposals affecting staff, communities or accessibility to the built environment, e.g., new construction work or adaptations to existing buildings, moving to on-line services, changing location Large Scale Public Events Local implementation of National Strategy/Plans/Legislation Strategic directive and intent, including those developed at Regional Partnership Boards and Public Services Board, which impact on a public bodies functions Medium to long term plans (for example, corporate plans, development plans, service delivery and improvement plans) Setting objectives (for example, well-being objectives, equality objectives, Welsh language strategy) Major procurement and commissioning decisions Decisions that affect the ability (including external partners) to offer Welsh language opportunities and services Other (b) Please name and fully describe initiative here: The report provides information and requires a decision in respect of the adoption of a temporary Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief Scheme relating to Business Rates, which has been introduced by Welsh Government for the financial year 2023/24. If adopted the scheme will support an estimated 1,700 Swansea businesses to a value of approximately £12.43m Q2 What is the potential impact on the following: the impacts below could be positive (+) or negative (-) **High Impact Medium Impact** Low Impact **Needs further** investigation + Children/young people (0-18) X Older people (50+) X Any other age group X Future Generations (yet to be born) X X Disability Race (including refugees) X X Asylum seekers Gypsies & travellers X Religion or (non-)belief X X Sex X Sexual Orientation Gender reassignment X X Welsh Language X Poverty/social exclusion Carers (inc. young carers) X

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to do so quickly and conveniently.

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Q8 What is the cumulative impact of this proposal on people and/or communities when considering all the impacts identified within the screening and any other key decisions affecting similar groups/ service users made by the organisation?

(You may need to discuss this with your Service Head or Cabinet Member to consider more widely if this proposal will affect certain groups/ communities more adversely because of other decisions the organisation is making. For example, financial impact/poverty, withdrawal of multiple services and whether this is disadvantaging the same groups, e.g., disabled people, older people, single parents (who are mainly women), etc.)

The report explains the eligibility criteria and adoption of a Non-Domestic Rates relief scheme and in itself has no specific positive or negative implications for any of the groups identified above. It would be better described as 'neutral' as there is no particular impact on any of the protected characteristics.

Outcome of Screening

- Q9 Please describe the outcome of your screening using the headings below:
 - Summary of impacts identified and mitigation needed (Q2)
 - Summary of involvement (Q3)
 - WFG considerations (Q4)
 - Any risks identified (Q5)
 - Cumulative impact (Q7)

There are no integrated assessment implications. The relief criteria have been determined by Welsh Government and the Authority must follow those when awarding relief. Adopting the scheme and awarding Retail Hospitality and Leisure Rate Relief will enable the Authority to provide financial support (we estimate) to over 1,700 eligible businesses in the Council's area.

(NB: This summary paragraph should be used in the	'Integrated Assessment Implications'
section of corporate report)	

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X Do not complete IIA – please ensure you have provided the relevant information above to support this outcome

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.

Screening completed by:
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Position: Director of Finance / Section 151 Officer
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