

Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council

Equality Impact Assessment

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Name of policy/project/ service to be assessed	Damp and Mould Policy
At what stage of consultation has this EqIA been prepared?	Pre consultation □ Post consultation □ No consultation required ⊠
Method of analysis undertaken and dates	Managers – desktop screening ⊠ Date: 10/8/23 Employee Forum □ Date: Stakeholder review □ Date:
Who does the policy or service affect?	Customers (public) Internal (staff/Members) External (partners/contractors/agencies) Other
What are the aims/ objectives/purpose or outcome or intended effects of the policy, project or service?	To outline the Council's approach to damp and mould in our council housing stock. Specifically, the damp and mould policy covers our proactive interventions, our approach to diagnosis of damp and mould, actions we consider appropriate in different circumstances, effective communication with residents and aftercare.
What equality data is available relating to the use or implementation of the policy, project or service?	None

Classification: Unrestricted

What consultation has taken place in the development or review of the policy, project or service?

Consultation has taken place managers and staff from Neighbourhoods team, Property Maintenance teams, Housing Options, legal services, Insurance officer and Health and Safety & Resilience Manager. Does the policy have a positive or negative impact on any of the following Protected Characteristic groups covered by the Equality Act 2010?

	Positive	Negative	Neutral	Evidence & Comments
Age	×			Our approach in the damp and mould policy takes account of tenant's individual circumstances and any vulnerabilities. This take accounts of whether the tenants are children or elderly as these age groups are more susceptible to infection.
Disability	\boxtimes			Our approach in the damp and mould policy takes account of tenant's individual circumstances and any vulnerabilities. If the resident has a disability that is relevant to damp and mould (for example a respiratory condition), this will be taken into account.
Ethnicity			\boxtimes	There is no direct positive or negative impact on ethnicity arising from the policy; unless this coincides with another protected characteristic such as age or disability.
Gender re- assignment			×	There is no direct positive or negative impact on gender re-assignment arising from the policy; unless this coincides with another protected characteristic such as age or disability.
Marriage/Civil partnership			\boxtimes	There is no direct positive or negative impact on marriage or civil partnerships arising from the policy; unless this coincides with another protected characteristic such as age or disability.
Pregnancy & Maternity			\boxtimes	There is no direct positive or negative impact on pregnancy and maternity arising from the policy; unless this coincides with another protected characteristic such as age or disability.

Religion or belief		Positive	Negative	Neutral	Evidence & Comments
Sex unless this coincides with another protected characteristic such as age or disability. There is no direct positive or negative impact on sexual orientation arising from the policy; unless this coincides with another protected characteristic such as age or disability. Equality Impact Assessment Outcome: Low risk Medium risk Medium risk	Religion or belief				There is no direct positive or negative impact on religion or belief arising from the policy; unless this coincides with another protected characteristic such as age or disability.
Sexual orientation	Sex			\boxtimes	,
Low risk ⊠ Medium risk □	Sexual orientation				from the policy; unless this coincides with another protected characteristic
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