



## Equality Impact/Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment Form

(To be completed with reference to Guidance Notes)

### Step 1

**Name of Proposal** (includes e. g. budget savings, committee reports, strategies, policies, procedures, service reviews, functions):

Removal of the School Crossing Patroller service.

### Step 2

Is this only a **screening** Equality Impact Assessment No

**(A)** If Yes, please choose from the following options **all** reasons why a full EIA/FSD is not required:

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| (i) It does not impact on people                                                                       | Yes/No |
| (ii) It is a percentage increase in fees which has no differential impact on protected characteristics | Yes/No |
| (iii) It is for information only                                                                       | Yes/No |
| (iv) It is reflective e.g. of budget spend over a financial year                                       | Yes/No |
| (v) It is technical                                                                                    | Yes/No |

If you have answered yes to any of points above, please go to **Step 16**, and sign off the Assessment.

**(B)** If you have answered No to the above, please indicate the following:

Is this a full Equality Impact Assessment	Yes
Is this a Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment	No

If you have answered Yes to either or both of the above, continue with Step 3.

If your proposal is a **strategy** please ensure you complete Step 13 which is the Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment.

### Step 3

(i)Lead Directorate/Service:

Education and Lifelong Learning

(ii)Are there any **relevant** statutory requirements affecting this proposal? If so, please describe.

The service is non-statutory.

(iii)What is the aim of the proposal? Please give full details.

To realise a saving through the removal of the School Crossing Patroller (SCP) service, delivered by Tayside Contracts on behalf of Angus Council.

(iv)Is it a new proposal?        Yes

Is it a review of e.g. an existing budget saving, report, strategy, policy, service review, procedure or function?

### Step 4: Which people does your proposal involve or have consequences for?

Please indicate all which apply:

Employees	No – Angus Council does not directly employ SCPs.
Job Applicants	No
Service users	Yes
Members of the public	No

**Step 5: List the evidence/data/research that has been used in this assessment (links to data sources, information etc which you may find useful are in the Guidance). This could include:**

**Internal data** (e.g. customer satisfaction surveys; equality monitoring data; customer complaints).

Location of existing SCPs

Financial data regarding the cost of the service.

Local criteria for SCPs.

**Internal consultation** (e.g. with staff, trade unions and any other services affected).

Senior council officers.

Directorate leadership team.

**External data** (e.g. Census, equality reports, equality evidence finder, performance reports, research, available statistics)

RoSPA Guidelines

Benchmarking with Dundee and Perth & Kinross Councils.

Benchmarking with Moray Council

**External consultation** (e.g. partner organisations, national organisations, community groups, other councils).

Tayside Contracts – informal only

**Other** (general information as appropriate).

### **Step 6: Evidence Gaps.**

Are there any gaps in the equality information you currently hold?      No

If yes, please state what they are, and what measures you will take to obtain the evidence you need.

### **Step 7: Are there potential differential impacts on protected characteristic groups?**

Please complete for each group, including details of the potential impact on those affected. Please remember to take into account any particular impact resulting from **Covid-19**.

**Please state if there is a potentially positive, negative, neutral or unknown impact for each group. Please state the reason(s) why.**

Age

#### **Impact – negative – children and young people**

If agreed, the service will be withdrawn potentially resulting in a negative impact for children. This is mitigated by the responsibility for ensuring safe travel to school remaining with parents and carers. There is no impact on children's rights as defined by the UNCRC, including Article 28 (the right to education).

Disability

#### **Impact – neutral**

Gender reassignment

#### **Impact – neutral**

Marriage and Civil Partnership

**Impact – neutral**

Pregnancy/Maternity

**Impact – neutral**

Race – (includes Gypsy Travellers)

**Impact – neutral**

Religion or Belief

**Impact – neutral**

Sex

**Impact – neutral**

Sexual orientation

**Impact – neutral**

**Step 8: Consultation with any of the groups potentially affected**

If you have consulted with any group potentially affected, please give details of how this was done and what the results were.

N/A

If you have not consulted with any group potentially affected, how have you ensured that you can make an informed decision about mitigating action of any negative impact (Step 9)?

**Step 9: What mitigating steps will be taken to remove or reduce potentially negative impacts?**

If approved, there will be a comprehensive communications strategy setting out details of the change and a timeline for removal.

Schools will be provided with resources to promote safe and active travel to school.

**Step 10: If a potentially negative impact has been identified, please state below the justification.**

Provision of SCPs is non-statutory and the responsibility for safe travel to school remains with parents and carers.

**Step 11: In what way does this proposal contribute to any or all of the public sector equality duty to:** eliminate unlawful discrimination; advance equality of opportunity; and foster good relations between people of different protected characteristics?

N/A

**Step 12: Is there any action which could be taken to advance equalities in relation to this proposal?**

N/A

### **Step 13: FAIRER SCOTLAND DUTY**

This step is only applicable to **strategies** which are key, high level decisions. If your proposal is **not** a strategy, please leave this Step blank, and go to Step 14.

Links to data sources, information etc which you may find useful are in the Guidance.

**Step 13(A) What evidence do you have about any socio-economic disadvantage/inequalities of outcome in relation to this strategic issue?**

**Step 13(B) Please state if there are any gaps in socio-economic evidence for this strategy and how you will take measures to gather the evidence you need.**

**Step 13© Are there any potential impacts this strategy may have specifically on the undernoted groupings?** Please remember to take into account any particular impact resulting from **Covid-19**.

**Please state if there is a potentially positive, negative, neutral or unknown impact for each grouping.**

**Low and/or No Wealth** (e.g. those with enough money to meet basic living costs and pay bills but have no savings to deal with any unexpected spends and no provision for the future.

#### **Impact - neutral**

**Material Deprivation** (i.e. those unable to access basic goods and services e.g. repair/replace broken electrical goods, warm home, leisure and hobbies).

**Impact - neutral**

**Area Deprivation** (i.e. where people live (e.g. rural areas), or where they work (e.g. accessibility of transport).

**Impact - neutral**

**Socio-economic Background** i.e. social class including parents' education, people's employment and income.

**Impact - negative**

**Other** – please indicate

**Step 13(D) Please state below if there are measures which could be taken to reduce socio-economic disadvantage/inequalities of outcome.**

N/A

**Step 14: What arrangements will be put in place to monitor and review the Equality Impact/Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment?**

The Assessment will be updated as part of the review of SCPs.

**Step 15: Where will this Equality Impact/Fairer Scotland Duty Assessment be published?**

On the Council website with the committee report.

**Step 16: Sign off and Authorisation.** Please state name, post, and date for each:

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