Equality Impact Assessment Level 1: Initial screening assessment

Subject of assessment:	Approval for amendments to Middlesbrough's Taxi Licensing Policies & Conditions following the introduction of Statutory Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Standards recommended by the Department of Transport					
Coverage:	All Hackney Carriage and Private Hire vehicles licensed by Middlesbrough Council					
	☐ Strategy	\sqrt{Policy}	Service Service	Function		
This is a decision relating to:	Process/procedure	Programme	Project	Review		
	☐ Organisational change	Other (please state)				
It is a:	New approach:		Revision of an existing approach: \checkmark			
It is driven by:	Legislation:		Local or corporate requirements:			
Description:	Review of Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Vehicle Policy					
Live date:	Date of approval					
Lifespan:	Ongoing					
Date of next review:	September 2023					

Screening questions		onse		Evidence		
		Yes	Uncertain			
Human Rights Could the decision impact negatively on individual Human Rights as enshrined in UK legislation? ¹				It is considered that the implementation of the policy will not have an unjustified or disproportionate adverse impact upon any of the groups affected by these amendments.		
Equality Could the decision result in adverse differential impacts on groups or individuals with characteristics protected in UK equality law? Could the decision impact differently on other commonly disadvantaged groups?*				It is considered that the implementation of the policy will not have an adverse differential impact on groups or individuals with characteristics protected in UK equality law, or other commonly disadvantaged groups		
Community cohesion Could the decision impact negatively on relationships between different groups, communities of interest or neighbourhoods within the town?*	V			It is considered that implementation of the policy will not have a negative impact upon the community.		
 Next steps: If the answer to all of the above screening questions is No then the process is completed. If the answer of any of the questions is Yes or Uncertain, then a Level 2 Full Impact Assessment must be completed. 						

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Date:		Date:	

¹ Consult the Impact Assessment further guidance appendix for details on the issues covered by each of theses broad questions prior to completion.