Template for Impact Assessment Level 1: Initial screening assessment

Subject of assessment:	Improving Alleyways by Tackling Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour.					
Coverage:	Service specific					
This is a decision relating to:	Strategy	Policy	Service		Function	
	Process/procedure	Programme	Project	Review		
	Organisational change	Other (please state)				
It is a:	New approach:	\square	Revision of an existing approach:			
It is driven by:	Legislation:		Local or corporate requirements:			

	Insert short description, using the following as sub-headings:				
	Key aims, objectives and activities:				
	Following a review into Anti-Social Behaviour and incidents of Fly Tipping in Middlesbrough. The aim is to set up a dedicated team whose				
	main objective will be to concentrate on investigating and removing Fly Tips as one operation. Staff will be taken from current resource				
	within ECS.				
	The operation will ensure that fly tips are collected in a timely manner and in turn reduce the amount of time debris is left in the alleys,				
	streets, walkways and other land. This will have a positive impact for the public and in turn will raise the profile of Middlesbrough over				
	time.				
	Funding is also being sought to add CCTV into the worst affected alleys and hot spot areas throughout Middlesbrough which would be a key				
	and critical component of this initiative as this is where a large amount of environmental crime takes place.				
	Statutory drivers (set out exact reference):				
	There are statutory drivers on how we as an authority deal with litter and refuse: Please see further information on the following link:				
	https://www.gov.uk/guidance/litter-and-refuse-council-responsibilities-to-keep-land-clear#land-councils-must-keep-clear				
	Installation of any new camera that are linked to Middlesbrough Council and the monitoring of open public spaces must be compliant with				
	data protection act 2018 (GDPR) and comply with the ICO/ Home Office Surveillance Camera Code of Practice. All information can be found				
Description:	on the following link: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/surveillance-camera-code-of-practice				
	Differences from any previous approach:				
	Prior to this initiative the Enforcement Team would visit the reported Environmental Crime and investigate the incident to ascertain if any				
	evidence can be found. Following this task the job was then passed to Area Care or Highways out-of-hours team to remove the rubbish/Fly				
	Tip.				
	This change in approach will see Enforcement and Area Care/Environment Operatives come together as one team. There will be 8				
	Operatives in total and 4 caged transit style vans (2 staff per van).				
	Each team will operate within a dedicated area (with option to work in area to meet demand/workload). They will attend fly tipping/dumped rubbish, investigate and clear in one pass.				
	This will have efficiencies as each job should only need to be visited once by one team and one vehicle, therefore more efficiency and less				
	vehicle use. This in turn will also make a contribution to the Green Strategy with less vehicles/fuel used.				
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	• Key stakeholders and intended beneficiaries (internal and external as appropriate):				
	The key stakeholder is MBC, members and Residents of Middlesbrough.				
	Intended outcomes:				
	This new way of working will reduce Environmental Crime, in turn raising living conditions and aesthetics of Middlesbrough.				
Live date:	1 st February 2021.				
Lifespan:	From 1 st February 2021, for the foreseeable future.				
Date of next review:	A review of numbers and the subsequent action/prosecutions will be reviewed every quarter from April 2021.				

Screening questions		Response		Evidence		
Screening questions	No	Yes	Uncertain			
Human Rights Could the decision impact negatively on individual Human Rights as enshrined in UK legislation?*				There are no concerns that the proposals could impact adversely on human rights. Evidence used to inform this assessment includes analysis of staff demographics, engagement to date with staff and analysis of current service provision.		
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?*				 The Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) requires that when exercising its functions the Councils must have due regard to the need to: Eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act; Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it; and Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it; and In having due regard to the need to advance equality of opportunity, the Council must consider, as part of a single equality duty: Removing or minimising disadvantages suffered by persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic; Taking steps to meet the needs of persons who share a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of people who do not share it; and Encouraging people who share a protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation is low. Service users – There should be no detrimental effect to Service users within this proposal. Staff - 8 staff are affected by the proposal. No staff within the scope of the review have declared that they have the disability protected characteristic on the Council's HR system, however there are a number of staff within the review that have reasonable adjustments in place to manage long term health conditions. There are no concerns that the review could impact differently on these individuals because they hold this protected characteristic. Evidence used to inform this assessment includes analysis of ASB / Fly-Tip data and service provision. 		
Community cohesion Could the decision impact negatively on relationships between different groups, communities of interest or neighbourhoods within the town?*				Not applicable. There are no concerns that this proposal could have an impact on community cohesion.		

^{*} Consult the Impact Assessment further guidance appendix for details on the issues covered by each of these broad questions prior to completion.

Screening questions	Response	Evidence				
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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