

NO EQIA REQUIRED DECLARATION

Only complete this section if, after carrying out and considering your screening exercise, you have concluded and can demonstrate that no EQIA is required, and that people are not impacted by your policy directly or indirectly.

Please refer to the [EQIA guidance](#) before making a decision not to conduct an EQIA. If, after reading the guidance you are satisfied that an EQIA is not required, please confirm the following:

- ◆ Will individuals have access to, or be denied access to, a service or function as a result of your policy or the changes you propose to make? Yes No
- ◆ Will the implementation of your policy, directly or indirectly, result in: individuals being employed; a change in staffing levels, terms and conditions, employer or location? Yes No
- ◆ Is there a change in the size of budget, or an impact on resources, and will this change (potentially) impact on individuals? For example, will a service be withdrawn, changed or expanded? Yes No
- ◆ Will your policy impact on another policy that affects people? Yes No

If you have answered **yes** to any of these questions, your policy does affect people and you should undertake an EQIA.

If you have answered **no** to all these questions, considered the EQIA guidance and are completely satisfied you do not need to complete an EQIA, please complete and retain the EQIA not required form on the following page.

The form should be completed by the official responsible for the decision, and then authorised by the relevant Deputy Director, or equivalent. The completed declaration must be filed as a corporate record on eRDM.

EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT NOT REQUIRED DECLARATION

Policy title	Modifications to the Aberdeen City and Shire Strategic Development Plan
Which National Outcome(s) does the policy contribute to?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We live in a Scotland that is the most attractive place for doing business in Europe. - We realise our full economic potential with more and better employment opportunities for our people - We live in well-designed, sustainable places where we are able to access the amenities and services we need - We value and enjoy our built and natural environment and protect it and enhance it for future generations
Directorate: Division: team	Local Government & Communities: Planning and Architecture Division: Central Team
Policy lead responsible for taking the decision	Rosie Leven

Please record why you are not carrying out an EQIA and what your justification is for making that decision.

This declaration relates only to the modifications made by Ministers in approving the Aberdeen City and Shire Strategic Development Plan (ACSSDP). The Proposed ACSSDP was subject to EqIA ([Equalities and Human Rights Impact Assessment](#)) in February 2013, and found to have no negative impacts on any equality group.

No EqIA is being carried out for the modifications because the modifications have been screened for these purposes and found not to have relevance for equality groups.

In the main, the modifications to the plan, that Ministers are responsible for, represent clarifications or changes to accurately reflect Scottish Planning Policy and other strategic policies.

The most significant modifications relate to the Strategic Transport Fund. These modifications ensure that the references in the plan to the fund are in line with national policy. Specifically they clarify which projects identified in the plan will be delivered through the fund and from what types of development contributions to the fund will be sought. No new projects have been identified and no specific developments are identified, only types of development such as housing, business or retail. The modifications may therefore impact on the development industry in considering which developments to promote. It may be that the location and type of specific developments could have some equalities impacts, but these will be addressed through subsequent local development plans and through the planning application process. No equalities impacts arising out of the modifications to the Proposed Plan have therefore been identified.

I confirm that the decision to not carry out an EQIA has been authorised by:

Name and job title of Deputy Director (or equivalent)	Date authorisation given
John McNairney	27 March 2014