

Oldham

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**Development Plan Document -
Joint Core Strategy and
Development Management Policies -
Equalities Impact Assessment**

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1 Introduction

- 1.1** This document is an Equalities Impact Assessment (EqIA) for the Oldham LDF: Joint DPD.
- 1.2** The joint DPD sets out a long-term spatial vision and strategic objectives for the borough. It also contains a planning and development strategy, core policies, development management policies and a monitoring and implementation framework. The joint DPD sets the strategic direction for the Local Development Framework (LDF) up to 2025/26. Full details can be found in the joint DPD.
- 1.3** The purpose of the EqIA is to assess the potential impact of the joint DPD on the different groups of people within the borough.

2 Findings of the Equality Impact Assessment

- 2.1** The EqIA relevance screening concluded that there was a need to carry out an initial EqIA of the joint DPD.
- 2.2** The initial EqIA concluded that the joint DPD is not considered to have any adverse impacts on the different groups of people and that a full EqIA is not needed.

Appendix 1

1. Name of the policy/project:	Local Development Framework Joint Core Strategy and Development Management Policies DPD.		
2. What are the main aims and objectives of the policy/project?	<p>The Joint DPD will set out a long-term vision and strategic objectives for the borough. It will set out the strategic direction for Oldham's Local Development Framework up to 2025/26. It aims to promote social, economic and environmental well-being, supporting Oldham as an address of choice, a university town and a confident place with services of choice. The joint DPD sets out a vision, a series of strategic objectives and the core policies and development management policies to help shape the future development of the borough.</p>		
3.a. What impact will this policy/project have on the public?	HIGH	MEDIUM	LOW
	X		
4. Based on this screening please indicate if this policy/project should proceed to an Initial or Full EIA?	INITIAL	FULL	NONE
	X		

Appendix 2

1. Department	Economy, Place and Skills	2. Section	LDF and Urban Design
3. Who is responsible for the Assessment		4. Lead Officer	5. Others involved
Paul McGrath		Michele Carr	Members of LDF and Urban Design
6. Name of the Policy to be assessed	Local Development Framework Joint Core Strategy and Development Management Policies DPD	7. Is this a new or existing policy	New
8. Date of Assessment	20 July 2010	9. Describe the aims, objectives and purpose of the policy	The Joint DPD will set out a long-term vision and strategic objectives for the borough. It will set out the strategic direction for Oldham's Local Development Framework up to 2025/26. It aims to promote social, economic and environmental well-being, supporting Oldham as an address of choice, a university town and a confident place with services of choice. The joint DPD report sets out a vision, a series of strategic objectives and the core policies and development management policies to help shape the future development of the borough.
10.a. What data do you have that you can draw upon to support this assessment?	Joint DPD spatial portrait, evidence base, Sustainability Appraisal, Annual Monitoring Report indicators.	10.b. What does this data say?	Provides information on a wide range of planning indicators that will inform the LDF.

<p>11.a. What recent consultation has been undertaken that you could draw upon to support this assessment and who was it with?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues Survey, Spring 2007. • Issues and Options consultation, Autumn/Winter 2007/08. • Call for Sites survey, Spring 2008. • Preferred Options consultation, Spring 2009. • Refining Options, Summer 2010 <p>Consultation has engaged with statutory consultees, councillors, LDF Members Panel, council departments, people and organisations on the LDF mailing list, members of the public, District Partnerships, parish councils, young people through engagement with The Oldham College and Oldham Sixth Form College.</p>	<p>11.b. What did they say?</p> <p>There consultations provided an opportunity for stakeholders and the community to express their views on a wide range of issues relating to the emerging LDF. The following are links to the results of the Issues Survey, Issues and Options, Preferred Options and Refining Options consultation:</p> <p>http://www.oldham.gov.uk/issues_survey_report.pdf</p> <p>http://www.oldham.gov.uk/final_public_schedule_of_representations_and_responses.pdf</p> <p>http://www.oldham.gov.uk/planning_and_building/planning-lds.htm/core_strategy/joint_core_strategy-and-development-management-policies-dpd-refining-options-dpd-2010.htm</p>	<p>12.a. Are there any experts/relevant groups who you can approach to explore their views?</p> <p>The Statement of Community Involvement sets out how the council intends to engage with people, including 'hard to engage' groups, in the preparation of LDF documents to ensure that the LDF fully represents the views of all sections of the community. The LDF Members Panel is also consulted on preparation of the LDF.</p>	<p>12.b. Please give details of who you have approached and what they said:</p> <p>The LDF Members Panel and the wider community in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement.</p> <p>Web links above (Q11b) give details of what they have said.</p>
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<p>13.a. Taking into account the information gathered:</p> <p><i>Could</i> this policy/project impact on any of the following groups differently?</p> <p><i>Could</i> any of the following groups experience of this policy/project be different?</p> <p><i>Could</i> this different impact be negative?</p> <p>Please explain drawing on evidence that supports your view:</p>	<p>13.b. Where Negative impact has been identified please explain what action you will take to mitigate this.</p> <p>If no action is to be taken please explain your reasoning.</p>	<p>Age</p> <p>The joint DPD includes policies related to children and young people and older people to address their particular needs (such as community facilities, health, education, housing, access to services, transport and open space and sports). This will have a differential impact on this equalities group. This differential impact should be positive.</p>	<p>Dependants/caring responsibilities</p> <p>The joint DPD will address community cohesion, social inclusion and accessibility and includes policies which affect community facilities, health and access to services amongst others. It will have a differential impact on this equalities group. This differential impact should be positive.</p>	<p>Disability</p> <p>The joint DPD will address community cohesion, social inclusion and accessibility and includes</p>
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	<p>policies which affect community facilities, health, access to key services and design requirements amongst others. It will have a differential impact on this equalities group. This differential impact should be positive.</p>
Gender	<p>The joint DPD will address community cohesion, social inclusion and accessibility and includes policies which affect designing out crime. It will have a differential impact on this equalities group. This differential impact should be positive.</p>
Race	<p>The joint DPD will address community cohesion, social inclusion and accessibility and includes policies which affect designing out crime. It will have a differential impact on this equalities group. This differential impact should be positive.</p>
Religious belief	<p>The joint DPD will address community cohesion, social inclusion and accessibility and includes policies related to community facilities. It will have a differential impact on this equalities group. This differential impact should be positive.</p>
Transgender or transsexual	<p>The joint DPD will address community cohesion, social inclusion and accessibility and includes policies which affect designing out crime. It will have a differential impact on this equalities group. This differential impact should be positive.</p>
Sexual Orientation	<p>The joint DPD will address community cohesion, social inclusion and accessibility and includes policies which affect designing out crime. It will</p>

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