## **EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT – EXTRA CARE HOUSING**

### **SECTION ONE: INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSAL**

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Please note that a Head of Service, Service Director, or Strategic Director must approve the EIA.	Interim Head of Commissioning		E.av.	date:		
Overview:	Plymouth City Council is proposing to extend the current contract for older people's Extra Care Housing Care provision by 4 months. The current contract ends on 31/03/2024 and the extension would expire on 31/07/2024.					
	This service provides commissioned care across 7 extra care schemes for older people in the City.					
	Eligibility criteria for the service	is defined as:				
	<u>Adults</u>					
	An individual whose needs meet order to receive the Services, na	The Care and Support (Eligibility mely if:	Criteria) Regulations 2014, as se	et out in the Care	Act 2014, in	
a) The adult's needs arise from or are related to a physical or mental impairment or b) As a result of the adult's needs the adult is unable to achieve two or more of the Regulations; and c) As a consequence there is, or is likely to be, a significant impact on the adult's we				es specified in para	graph 2 of the	
	Any services received following a care or support Assessment and recommendation from an appropriately qualified health and social care professional will be free of charge to the Service User, where the solution recommended provides a preventative benefit or meets Care Act 2014 Eligibility Criteria and it achieves Best Value for Commissioners.					
Decision required:	To authorise an extension to the existing Extra Care contract by 4 months by means of variation to 31/07/2024.					

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### SECTION TWO: EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT SCREENING TOOL

Potential external impacts:	Yes	No	X
Does the proposal have the potential to negatively impact service users, communities or residents with protected characteristics?			
Potential internal impacts:	Yes	No	X
Does the proposal have the potential to negatively impact Plymouth City Council employees?			
Is a full Equality Impact Assessment required? (if you have answered yes to either of the questions above then a full impact assessment is required and you must complete section three)	Yes	No	X
If you do not agree that a full equality impact assessment is required, please set out your justification for why not.			

### SECTION THREE: FULL EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Protected characteristics (Equality Act, 2010)	Evidence and information (e.g. data and consultation feedback)	Adverse impact	Mitigation activities	Timescale and responsible department
Age	<ul> <li>Plymouth</li> <li>16.4 per cent of people in Plymouth are children aged under 15.</li> <li>65.1 per cent are adults aged 15 to 64.</li> <li>18.5 percent are adults aged 65 and over.</li> </ul>	No adverse impact.  As part of PCC tender/commissioning process providers are asked to demonstrate their understanding of Equality & Diversity and demonstrate		

	are 85 and over.  Southwest  I 5.9 per cent of people are aged 0 to 14, 61.8 per cent are aged 15 to 64.  22.3 per cent are aged 65 and over.  England  I7.4 per cent of people are aged 0 to 14.  64.2 per cent of people are aged 15 to 64.  I8.4 per cent of people are aged 65 and over.  (2021 Census)	policies, procedures, process are in place.	
Care experienced individuals  (Note that as per the Independent Review of Children's Social Care recommendations, Plymouth City Council is treating care experience as though it is a protected characteristic).	It is estimated that 26 per cent of the homeless population in the UK have care experience. In Plymouth there are currently 7 per cent of care leavers open to the service (6 per cent aged 18-20 and 12 per cent of those aged 21+) who are in unsuitable accommodation.  The Care Review reported that 41 per cent of 19-21 year old care leavers are not in education, employment or training (NEET) compared to 12 per cent of all other young people in the same age group.  In Plymouth there are currently 50 per cent of care leavers aged 18-21 Not in Education Training or Employment (54 per cent of all those care leavers aged 18-24 who are open to the service).  There are currently 195 care leavers aged 18 to 20 (statutory service) and 58 aged 21 to 24 (extended offer). There are more care leavers	No adverse impact.  As part of PCC tender/commissioning process providers are asked to demonstrate their understanding of Equality & Diversity and demonstrate policies, procedures, process are in place.	

	aged 21 to 24 who could return for support from services if they wished to.		
Disability	Extra Care Housing supports service users, some of whom have a disability, including some people with quite complex needs who can live independently in extra care housing but with additional on-site support.	No adverse impact.  As part of PCC tender/commissioning process providers are asked to demonstrate their	
	A total of 31,164 people (from 28.5% of households) declared themselves as having a long term health problem or disability (national figure 25.7% of households), compared with the total number of people with disabilities in UK (11,600,000) (2011 Census).	understanding of Equality & Diversity and demonstrate policies, procedures, process are in place.	
	10% of our population have their day-to-day activities limited a lot by a long-term health problem or disability (2011 Census).		
	In the 2011 census, there were 22,146 people aged 65 and over with a long term health problem or disability of which 11,266 recorded that their day-to-day activities were limited a lot and 10,880 reported their day-to-day activities were limited a little.  There are 3,142 children with disability in Plymouth.		
Gender reassignment	Needs for the Extra Care Housing service are assessed by a suitably qualified person and the service will only be available if eligible needs have	Impact is based on whether a need has been identified.  As part of PCC	
	been identified.	tender/commissioning process providers are asked to	

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	There are no official estimates for gender reassignment at either national or local level.  However, in a study funded by the Home Office, the Gender Identity Research and Education Society (GIRES) estimate that between 300,000 and 500,000 people aged 16 or over in the UK are experiencing some degree of gender variance.  There is no specific CYP data for this category, but given the average age for presentation for reassignment of male-to-females is 40-49. For female-to-male the age group is 20-29, it is anticipated the number of CYP affected in the city is small.  The 2021 Census included for the first time questions asking respondents to indicate their sexual orientation and gender identity. The collection of this information will provide a much clearer picture of the profile of this community going forward and the issues that they face. We anticipate that this will go some way in allowing us to understand the data at a local level.	demonstrate their understanding of Equality & Diversity and demonstrate policies, procedures, process are in place.	
Marriage and civil partnership	There were 234,795 marriages in England and Wales in 2018.  In 2020, there were 7,566 opposite-sex civil partnerships formed in England and Wales, of which 7,208 were registered in England and 358 were registered in Wales.  There were 785 civil partnerships formed between same-sex couples in England and Wales in 2020, of which 745 were registered in England and 40 were registered in Wales.	Impact is based on whether a need has been identified.  As part of PCC tender/commissioning process providers are asked to demonstrate their understanding of Equality & Diversity and demonstrate policies, procedures, process are in place.	

# Pregnancy and maternity

There were 640,370 live births in England and Wales in 2019, a decrease of 2.5 per cent since 2018. The mid-year 2019 population estimates show that there were 2,590 births in Plymouth.

The total fertility rate (TFR) for England and Wales decreased from 1.70 children per woman in 2018 to 1.65 children per woman in 2019.

In 2014, approximately 30 girls aged under 18 conceived for every 1,000 women aged 15-17 years in this area. This is higher than the regional average (approximately 19 per 1,000). The area has a higher teenage conception rate compared with the England average (approximately 23 per 1,000), although there is a downward trend in under 18 conceptions in Plymouth.

In 2013 there were an estimated 831,282 conceptions to women of all ages (15-44 years) in England compared with 842,202 in 2012, a decrease of 1.3%. In Plymouth the number has fallen from 3,928 in 2012 to 3,833 in 2013, a decrease of 2.4%. In terms of rates per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years both areas have also seen a decrease; Plymouth from 73.2 to 71.8 and England from 78.8 to 78.0 between 2012 and 2013. Nationally conception rates in 2013 increased for women aged 35 years and over, and decreased for those aged under 35 years compared to 2012 (Sexual Health Needs Assessment 2015).

Research from the Equality and Human Rights Commission found that three in four mothers reported a negative or possibly discriminatory experience during pregnancy, maternity leave and/or return from maternity leave.

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#### Race

Needs are assessed by a suitably qualified person and service will only be available if needs have been identified. Data from the 2022 Pen Profiles unless other stated:

92.9 per cent of Plymouth's population identify themselves as White British. 7.1 per cent identify themselves as Black, Asian or Minority Ethnic. Our ethnic minority communities are diverse with Diversity and demonstrate the Polish, Chinese and Kurdish communities amongst the largest. We also have a small resident Gypsy and Traveller community. Census data suggests at least 43 main languages are spoken in the city, showing Polish, Chinese and Kurdish as the top three, and over 100 different languages spoken in our schools. At the time of the 2001 census, 97 per cent of Plymouth's population was White British, by 2011 this had decreased to 93 per cent. Our ethnic minority communities are diverse with the Polish, Chinese and Kurdish communities amongst the largest. We also have a small resident Gypsy and Traveller community. The Census records that there are at least 43 main languages spoken in the city, and over 100 different languages spoken in our schools

Some areas of the city are more diverse than others: the area around the university, the city centre, Stonehouse and the East End are among the most diverse.

Plymouth is a dispersal area for asylum seekers and around 350 people will be accommodated in the city at any given time.

According to a report by the King's Fund, people from ethnic minority groups are more likely to report limiting long-term illness and poor health than White British people, in particular people

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	from Pakistani and Bangladeshi groups and those identifying as White Gypsy and Irish Traveller.		
Religion or belief	Needs are assessed by a suitably qualified person and service will only be available if needs have been identified.  There is no specific CYP data for this category. However, data shows 32.9% of the Plymouth population stated they had no religion. Those with a Hindu, Buddhist, Jewish or Sikh religion combined totalled less than 1%. 58.1% of those who responded declared themselves to be Christian. 0.8% declared that they were of Islam, 0.3% Buddhist; 0.2% Hindu; 0.1% Jewish; 0.1% Sikh. 0.5% of the population had a current religion that was not Christian, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism, or Sikh such as Paganism or Spiritualism.	Impact is based on whether a need has been identified.  As part of PCC tender/commissioning process providers are asked to demonstrate their understanding of Equality & Diversity and demonstrate policies, procedures, process are in place.	
Sex	Needs are assessed by a suitably qualified person and service will only be available if needs have been identified.  Overall 50.3 per cent of our population are female and 49.7 per cent are male: this reflects the national figure of 50.6 per cent females and 49.4 per cent males (ONS MYE 2019).  Life expectancy at birth in Plymouth is 78.8 for males and 82.5 for females (OHID 2018-2020).	Impact is based on whether a need has been identified.  As part of PCC tender/commissioning process providers are asked to demonstrate their understanding of Equality & Diversity and demonstrate policies, procedures, process are in place.	

	Healthy life expectancy in Plymouth is 61.8 for males and 58.3 for females (OHID 2018-2020).		
Sexual orientation	There are no official estimates for sexual orientation at a local level. There is no precise local data on sexual orientation in Plymouth.  Findings from the annual population survey have revealed the number of people identifying as lesbian, gay or bisexual in the UK has increased from 1.9% in 2015 to 2.7% in 2019, an increase of more than a third.  The 2021 Census will include for the first time a question asking respondents to indicate their sexual orientation. The collection of this information will provide a much clearer picture of the profile of this community going forward and the issues that they face. We anticipate that this will go some way in allowing us to understand the data at a local level.		

### **SECTION FOUR: HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS**

Human Rights	Implications	Timescale and responsible department
	N/A	

### **SECTION FIVE: OUR EQUALITY OBJECTIVES**

<b>Equality objectives</b>	Implications	9	Timescale and responsible department
Celebrate diversity and ensure that Plymouth is a welcoming city.	N/A		

Pay equality for women, and staff with disabilities in our workforce.	N/A	
Supporting our workforce through the implementation of Our People Strategy 2020 – 2024	N/A	
Supporting victims of hate crime so they feel confident to report incidents, and working with, and through our partner organisations to achieve positive outcomes.	N/A	
Plymouth is a city where people from different backgrounds get along well.	N/A	