# **EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

Land & Property: Economic Development: Place



#### STAGE I: WHAT IS BEING ASSESSED AND BY WHOM?

| What is being assessed - including a brief description of aims and objectives? | Acquisition of a Plymouth Freehold Investment Property as part of the Council's Asset Investment Program to secure a sustainable long-term income stream (via rental receipts) and other associated benefits. |
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| Date of assessment   | 31 May 2017   |

#### **STAGE 2: EVIDENCE AND IMPACT**

| Protected characteristics (Equality Act) | Evidence and information (eg data and feedback)   | Any adverse impact See guidance on how to make judgement | Actions                  | Timescale and who is responsible |
|--|---|--|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Age                                      | The average age in Plymouth (39.0 years) is about the same as the rest of England (39.3 years), but less than the SW (41.6yrs).                                   | No adverse impacts anticipated                           | n/a                      | n/a                              |
|  | The city has the third lowest percentage of older people (75), and the fifth highest percentage of children and young people (under 18) of the 16 SW authorities. |  |                          |                                  |
|  | Children and young people (CYP) under-18 account for 19.8% of the population.   |  |                          |                                  |
| Disability                               | Accessibility through   | No adverse impacts anticipated                           | Buildings are compliant, | Ongoing – Land & Property        |

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|  | Equalities Act – Landlord responsibilities  |                                | requirements will be<br>monitored as part of asset<br>management regime and<br>any further works carried<br>out as legislation/best<br>practice dictates |     |
|--|---|--------------------------------|--|-----|
| Faith/religion or belief                             | Christian - 148,917 people (58.1%), decreased from 73.6% since 2001.  | No adverse impacts anticipated | n/a  | n/a |
|  | 32.9% of the Plymouth population stated they had no religion.   |                                |  |     |
|  | Those with a Hindi, Buddhist, Jewish or Sikh religion combined totalled less than 1%.   |                                |  |     |
| Gender - including marriage, pregnancy and maternity | Overall 50.6% of our population are women and 49.4% are men; this reflects the national figure of 50.8% women and 49.2% men.  | No adverse impacts anticipated | n/a  | n/a |
|  | There were 3280 births in 2011. Birthrate trends have been on the increase since 20015, but since 2010 the number of births has stabilised. Areas with highest numbers of births include Stonehouse (142), Whitleigh (137) and Devonport (137). |                                |  |     |
|  | Of those aged 16 and over 90,765 (42.9%) people are married. 5,190 (2.5%) are   |                                |  |     |

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|  | separated and still legally married or legally in a samesex civil partnership.  |                                |     |     |
|--|---|--------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Gender reassignment                              | It is estimated that there may be 10,000 transgender people in the UK.  | No adverse impacts anticipated | n/a | n/a |
|  | There were 26 referrals from Plymouth made to the Newton Abbott clinic, the nearest clinic, in 2013/14 to February 6.                                     |                                |     |     |
| Race   | 92.9% of Plymouth's population identify themselves as White British.  | No adverse impacts anticipated | n/a | n/a |
|  | 7.1% identify themselves as Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) with White Other (2.7%), Chinese (0.5%) and Other Asian (0.5%) the most common ethnic groups. |                                |     |     |
|  | Our recorded BME population rose from 3% in 2001 to 6.7% in 2011 therefore has more than doubled since the 2001 census                                    |                                |     |     |
| Sexual orientation - including civil partnership |   | No adverse impacts anticipated | n/a | n/a |

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| with this estimation given in 2005. This would mean that |  |  |
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| for Plymouth the figure is approximately 12,500 –        |  |  |
| 17,500 people aged over 16 in Plymouth are LGB.          |  |  |

## STAGE 3: ARE THERE ANY IMPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING? IF SO, PLEASE RECORD ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

| Local priorities   | Implications  | Timescale and who is responsible                                  |
|--|---|---|
| Reduce the inequality gap, particularly in health between communities. | n/a – acquisition will deliver revenue surplus for provision of services.   | Ongoing – Land & Property in conjunction with Treasury Management |
| Good relations between different communities (community cohesion)      | n/a   |   |
| Human rights Please refer to guidance                                  | n/a   |   |
| Principles of fairness Please refer to guidance                        | As above: Things that make the biggest difference to people's lives should get priority when deciding where resources go - Positive impact for all groups as the investment will deliver long term revenue and future capital returns, protecting and increasing the budget available to support front line services. | Ongoing – Land & Property   |

### **STAGE 4: PUBLICATION**

| Responsible Officer: James Watt, Head of Land & Property | Date 31st May 2017 |
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