

## **Midlothian Council**

## **Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) of Budget Proposals**

## 2016

Name of Budget Saving	Review Grey Travel arrangements
Department and service area	Travel and Fleet Services
Completion Date	5 October 2016
Lead officer	Ricky Moffat

## Aims and Objectives The aim is to reduce the spend on travel by staff whilst on business for the Council. 1. Does the proposed budget saving affect people? Yes 2. What is/are the reason(s) for your proposed budget saving? The budget saving is put forward to meet the Council's overall budget deficit.

3. Impact Which of the protected characteristics* will the proposed budget saving have an impact upon?				
Equality Target Group*	Positive Impact	Negative Impact	Relevant evidence/ information	
Age				
Disability		Disabled staff may be disproportionately affected.		
Gender Reassignment				
Marriage & Civil Partnership				
Pregnancy and maternity				
Race				

Religion or Belief

**Sexual Orientation** 

Sex

4. How will the implementation of the proposed budget saving be communicated to those affected by any changes?
A final decision will be taken by Council and this information be advised to staff accordingly in formats as required.
5. How will you monitor the impact of the changes proposed? When is the budget due to be reviewed?
The cost of staff travel and associated vehicle emissions will be monitored and reported to Council in due course.
6. Please use the space below to detail any other matters arising from the Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) process.
The proposals are likely to see staff make greater use of public transport, car sharing (particularly electric vehicles), video conferencing, etc and will require a greater degree of forward planning.
There is a twin target to reduce cost and emissions

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