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Title of report: Pavement licences

Report : On 1 April 2024 the temporary provisions of the Business and Planning Act 2020 relating to pavement licensing were made permanent under the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act 2023. The Act enables local authorities to set their own licensing fees but does impose a maximum fee. the report requests Executive set the fees for Ipswich

What evidence/data is being used to support this equality analysis? Please select all that apply.:

Service area: Public Protection

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Links to supporting documents where available:

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What is proposed?: it is proposed to amend the fees charged for pavement licences which allow tables and chairs to be placed on the highway

Why are the changes being introduced?: amended legislation

What evidence is being used to support this Equality Impact Assessment, and how is it being used?: licences issued and statutory guidance issued to accompany the legislation.

How will this change be implemented?: Executive will make the decision then internal process will be amended as will the website

Age: No impact

Please provide an explanation of this impact and actions to mitigate any adverse impact, or further promote positive impact.: the setting of a fee will have no impact on people in this protected characteristic. the guidance on the issue of licenses does require the authority to consider how people are able to move around the area and not be adversely impacted by the

sitting out area.

Disability: No impact

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Marriage & Civil Partnership: No impact

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Race: No impact

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Pregnancy & Maternity: No impact

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Religion or Belief: No impact

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Gender Reassignment: No impact

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Sex: No impact

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Sexual Orientation: No impact

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I can confirm the report does meet Ipswich Borough Council's equality objectives: I can confirm the report does meet Ipswich Borough Council's equality objectives

The report helps us to 'eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment & victimisation' in the following way(s): fees proposed are cost recovery only. all business can apply for a pavement licence the issue is based on government guidance

The report helps us to 'advance equality of opportunity...' in the following way(s): By ensuring sitting out areas do not adversely impact on the area and ensure that people can easily navigate around them

The policy helps us to 'foster good relations...' in the following way(s): By ensuring sitting out areas do not adversely impact on the area and ensure that people can easily navigate around them

The new provisions will be reviewed in the following way(s): individual licences will be reviewed by the Council. the policy will be reviewed when legislation requires it and annually to ensure full cost recovery is achieved
