

EQIA Submission – ID Number

Section A

EQIA Title

Proposed Revision of Rates Payable for Children's Services 2026-27

Responsible Officer

Karen Stone - CED F

Approved by (Note: approval of this EqIA must be completed within the EqIA App)

Caroline Smith - CY SCS

Type of Activity

Service Change

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Service Redesign

No

Project/Programme

No

Commissioning/Procurement

No

Strategy/Policy

No

Details of other Service Activity

Annual Price Uplift

Accountability and Responsibility

Directorate

Children Young People and Education

Responsible Service

Integrated Children's Countywide

Responsible Head of Service

Caroline Smith - CY SCS

Responsible Director

Kevin Kasaven - CY SCS

Aims and Objectives

The rates payable by Children's Services are reviewed annually, with any revisions normally introduced from the start of the new financial year.

Some of the increases are directly linked to the published Department for Education fostering rates, which are reviewed by the Department annually.

The policy of what we pay for children's services has already been agreed and is separate to this decision. This decision is to apply an inflationary increase to the rates we pay for children's social care services (fostering and permanency payments).

There are no assessed adverse impacts within these proposals to increase funding rates for children's social care services.

Section B – Evidence

Do you have data related to the protected groups of the people impacted by this activity?

Yes

It is possible to get the data in a timely and cost effective way?

Yes

Is there national evidence/data that you can use?
No
Have you consulted with stakeholders?
Not Applicable
Who have you involved, consulted and engaged with?
This is applying a standard uplift to the current payment scheme. There is no change proposed in the payment policy.
Has there been a previous Equality Analysis (EQIA) in the last 3 years?
Yes
Do you have evidence that can help you understand the potential impact of your activity?
Yes
Section C – Impact
Who may be impacted by the activity?
Service Users/clients Service users/clients
Staff Staff/Volunteers
Residents/Communities/Citizens No
Are there any positive impacts for all or any of the protected groups as a result of the activity that you are doing?
No.
Negative impacts and Mitigating Actions
19. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Age
Are there negative impacts for age?
No.
20. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Disability
Are there negative impacts for Disability?
No.
21. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Sex
Are there negative impacts for Sex
No.
22. Negative Impacts and Mitigating actions for Gender identity/transgender
Are there negative impacts for Gender identity/transgender
No.
23. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Race
Are there negative impacts for Race
No.
24. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Religion and belief
Are there negative impacts for Religion and belief
No.
25. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Sexual Orientation
Are there negative impacts for Sexual Orientation
No.
26. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Pregnancy and Maternity
Are there negative impacts for Pregnancy and Maternity
No.
27. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Marriage and Civil Partnerships
Are there negative impacts for Marriage and Civil Partnerships
No.

28. Negative impacts and Mitigating actions for Carer's responsibilities
Are there negative impacts for Carer's responsibilities
No.