

Resident Impact Assessment

Pavement licencing fee and implementation of the Business and Planning Act 2020:

Service Area: Environmental Services & ASB

1. What are the intended outcomes of this policy, function etc?

Set the pavement licencing fee and implement the Business and Planning Bill 2020.

2. Resident Profile

Who is going to be impacted by this change i.e. residents/service users/tenants? Please complete data for your service users. If your data does not fit into the categories in this table, please copy and paste your own table in the space below. Please refer to **section 3.3** of the guidance for more information.

		Borough profile	Service User profile
		Total: 206,285	Total: 206,285
Gender	Female	51%	51%
	Male	49%	49%
Age	Under 16	32,825	32,825
	16-24	29,418	29,418
	25-44	87,177	87,177
	45-64	38,669	38,669
	65+	18,036	18,036
Disability	Disabled	16%	16%
	Non-disabled	84%	84%
Sexual orientation	LGBT	No data	No data
	Heterosexual/straight	No data	No data
Race	BME	52%	52%
	White	48%	48%
Religion or belief	Christian	40%	40%
	Muslim	10%	10%
	Other	4.5%	4.5%

	No religion	30%	30%
	Religion not stated	17%	17%

Whilst the makeup of business owners that run businesses which might apply for a pavement licence at a reduced cost from before or their staff and it is unknown the breakdown of protected characteristics of residents/visitors that might frequent such establishments the effects of making it cheaper to apply for a pavement licence is likely to benefit all different groupings listed above.

3. Equality impacts

With reference to the [guidance](#), please describe what are the equality and socio-economic impacts for residents and what are the opportunities to challenge prejudice or promote understanding?

A business which uses (or proposes to use) premises for the sale of food or drink for consumption (on or off the premises) can apply for a licence. Businesses that are eligible include: public houses, cafes, bars, restaurants, snack bars, coffee shops, and ice cream parlours.

The breakdown of protected characteristics by business type is currently unknown.

Overall the financial benefit goes to the business and those who have a controlling stake in it. However, the result is likely to be more pavement café's etc. which will improve accessibility and availability as well as assist in retaining jobs.

As spatial guidance about maintaining the width of pavements etc. will be applied to each new licence it is not envisaged that there will be an impact on those with mobility difficulties or those who use wheel chairs, prams etc. when they are using the pavement.

4. Safeguarding and Human Rights impacts

a) Safeguarding risks and Human Rights breaches

Please describe any safeguarding risks for children or vulnerable adults AND any potential human rights breaches that may occur as a result of the proposal? Please refer to **section 4.8** of the [guidance](#) for more information.

No Safeguarding risks or potential human rights breaches have been identified. It is unlikely that there is an increase in safeguarding risks or human rights breaches by lowering the cost of a pavement licence and modifying the application process.

As part of the Bill process, the Government has already made a Human's Rights impact assessment and the Council will monitor the impact of Pavement Licensing on residents.

If potential safeguarding and human rights risks are identified then **please contact equalities@islington.gov.uk to discuss further:**

5. Action

How will you respond to the impacts that you have identified in sections 3 and 4, or address any gaps in data or information?

For more information on identifying actions that will limit the negative impact of the policy for protected groups see the [guidance](#).

Action	Responsible person or team	Deadline
Consider any significant impacts of Pavement Licensing including significant matters raised as part of the proposed consultation period (5 working days)	Street Trading	Ongoing
Monitor significant impact of Pavement Licensing on residents after license has been issued.	Street Trading	Ongoing

Please send the completed RIA to equalities@islington.gov.uk and also make it publicly available online along with the relevant policy or service change.

This Resident Impact Assessment has been completed in accordance with the guidance and using appropriate evidence.

Staff member completing this form:

Andrew Ford



Signed: _____

Date: 08/07/2020

Head of Service or higher:

Paul Clift



Signed: _____

Date: 08/07/2020