

ARDS AND NORTH DOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL

Policy Screening Form

1.	Policy Reference (Equality use only)	E 241
2.	Policy Name	Social Value in Sustainable Procurement Policy
3.	Existing / Revised / New Policy	New Policy
4.	Responsible Officer	Director of Finance and Performance
5.	Description of policy to be screened	Ards and North Down Borough Council Social Value in Sustainable Procurement Policy is applicable to all staff and is effective from the date the policy is approved by the Council. Sustainable procurement is a process where Council meets the needs for goods, services, works and utilities in a way that achieves value for money on a whole life-cycle basis in terms of generating benefits not only to the organisation, but also to society (People) and the economy (Prosperity), whilst significantly reducing negative impacts on the environment (Planet).
	Aims and Expected Outcomes – what is the Policy expected to achieve?	All procurement should seek to accommodate the core values of the local government and be administered to ensure adherence to relevant UK legislation and ultimately provide best value for money. The term 'social value' refers to approaches which maximise the additional benefits that can be created through the delivery, procurement or commissioning of goods and services, above and beyond those directly related to those goods and services. Trends – shifting priorities to people and prosperity and seen as shifting away from planet. Factors cutting across planet from people and prosperity are still in focus, but traditional environmental sustainability is now embedded in council. Social value is therefore about using the money we have more strategically, to produce a wider benefit than would otherwise have been achieved.

6.	Section 75 categories which might be expected to benefit and how they may benefit.	All Section 75 categories are expected to benefit as the policy ensures the principles of best value for money and social value are used to determine the preferred and or actual supplier.
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7.	Factors which could contribute to / detract from the intended aims / outcomes of the Policy when being implemented	If the policy is not enacted as intended or where breaches occur, and they are not challenged.
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8.	The main stakeholders on whom the policy will impact. For example, Employees, Potential Service Users and Community Groups Consider the internal and external impacts (either actual or potential) and comment, or list, information where appropriate	The Council, council officers, Elected Members, Northern Ireland Executive, Northern Ireland Departments, their Agencies, non-Departmental Public Bodies (NDPBs) and Public Corporations. Suppliers, rate payers and potential suppliers
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9.	Please provide details of other policies which have a bearing on this one.	
	<p>E123 ANDBC Procurement Policy E 15 Ards and North Down Borough Council - Corporate Plan E 28 Corporate Complaints policy and procedure E 116 Declaration of Interests Policy for Employees The Big Plan 2017-32 Roadmap to Sustainability</p> <p>Policies: A revised Public Procurement Policy for Northern Ireland Departments, their Agencies, non-Departmental Public Bodies (NDPBs) and Public Corporations (2002)</p>	<p>ANDBC</p> <p>Other bodies</p>

10.	Available evidence (quantitative and qualitative) considered as important to encourage completion in relation to :	
	Religious Belief	<p>Summary: The Northern Ireland Census 2011 (NISRA) statistics for the Borough area showed that 75% are or have been brought up in Protestant and Other Christian (including Christian related) religions. While this varied across the borough from 17% in Portaferry ward to 87% in Carrowdore ward this does not have any relation to this policy. These compared to 48% for Northern Ireland as a whole. See table below</p> <p>Data:</p>

Religion or Religion Brought up in (Numbers with % in brackets)					
	All usual residents	Catholic	Protestant and Other Christian (including Christian related)	Other Religions	None
Northern Ireland	1,810,863 (100%)	817,385 (45%)	875,717 (48%)	16,592 (1%)	101,169 (6%)
Ards and North Down Borough Council	156,672 (100%)	20,550 (13%)	117,589 (75%)	1,729 (1%)	16,804 (11%)

Source: [Religion or religion brought up in. Census 2011, NISRA](#)

Political Opinion

Summary:

Electoral Office data from recent Local Government elections detail the political representation on Ards and North Down Council, The Stormont Executive for this electoral area and Westminster election. This data is an approximate measure of political opinion of the voting electorate within the Borough. Turnout to vote in North Down and Strangford constituencies tend to be lower than the rest of NI suggesting less strong political opinions. Of those who do turn out, the results show preferences for voting Unionist parties.

See table below

Data:

Council Election results

The most recent local council election (2nd May 2019) showed:

	Eligible Electorate	Votes Polled (% Turnout)	Elected Candidate										
			DUP	Sinn Féin	UUP	SDLP	Alliance	Independent	TUV	Green	PUP	Aontu	CCLA
Northern Ireland	1,305,553	687,733 (52.7%)	122	105	75	59	53	24	6	8	3	1	1
Ards and North Down Borough Council	112,077	47,161 (42.1%)	14		8	1	10	3	1	3			

Ards Peninsula (DEA)	16,656	7,369 (44.2%)	3	1	1	1							
Bangor Central (DEA)	17,194	6,678 (38.8%)	2	1		1	1		1				
Bangor East and Donaghadee (DEA)	16,956	6,915 (40.8%)	2	2			1	1					
Bangor West (DEA)	13,479	5,448 (40.4%)	1	1			2			1			
Comber (DEA)	13,681	6,272 (45.8%)	2	1			1		1				
Hollywood and Clandeboye (DEA)	14,158	6,229 (44.0%)	1	1			2			1			
Newtownards (DEA)	19,953	8,250 (41.4%)	3	1			2	1					

Source: [The Electoral Office, NI](#)

Racial Group	<p>Summary: NISRA, NINIS and Northern Ireland Strategic Migration Partnership data provide up to date data. The 2011 census showed that 32,000 (1.8%) of the usually resident population in Northern Ireland is from a minority ethnic background. Within the borough, the 2011 Census showed that 1.5% (2,300) were from a minority ethnic background. Across the borough this ranged from 5.2% in Loughview ward to 0.3% in Lisbane ward. See table below</p> <p>Data: Ethnic Group (Numbers with % in brackets)</p>										
		All usual residents	White	Chinese	Indian	Bangladeshi	Other Asian	Black African	Black Other	Mixed	Other
	Northern Ireland	1,810,86	1,778,44 9 (98%)	6,303 (0%)	6,198 (0%)	540 (0%)	6,08	2,345	1271	6,014	3,654

			3 (100%)					9 (0 %)	(0 %)	(0 %)	(0 %)	(0 %)
Ards and North Down Borough Council	156,672 (100%)	154,365 (99%)	406 (0%)	283 (0%)	177 (0%)	41 5 (0 %)	13 9 (0 %)	13 2 (0 %)	55 6 (0 %)	19 9 (0 %)		
Ards Peninsula	22,797 (100%)	22,641 (99%)	29 (0%)	17 (0%)	5 (0%)	17 (0 %)	6 (0 %)	2 (0 %)	54 (0 %)	26 (0 %)		
Bangor Central	23,524 (100%)	24,469 (98%)	105 (0%)	43 (0%)	17 (0%)	43 (0 %)	26 (0 %)	32 (0 %)	11 9 (0 %)	38 (0 %)		
Bangor East and Donaghadee	24,892 (100%)	22,648 (99%)	56 (0%)	27 (0%)	10 (0%)	91 (0 %)	11 (0 %)	2 (0 %)	82 (0 %)	19 (0 %)		
Bangor West	22,946 (100%)	17,763 (98%)	19 (0%)	135	2 (0%)	11 6 (0 %)	3 (0 %)	26 (0 %)	73 (0 %)	15 (0 %)		
Comber	18,152 (100%)	18,216 (99%)	30 (0%)	8 (0%)	9 (0%)	35 (0 %)	4 (0 %)	8 (0 %)	55 (0 %)	17 (0 %)		
Hollywood and Clandeboyne	18,382 (100%)	20,061 (98%)	65 (0%)	31 (0%)	23 (0%)	81 (0 %)	81 (0 %)	56 (0 %)	1 10 (0 %)	61 (0 %)		
Newtownards	20,560 (100%)	27,841 (99%)	105 (0%)	20 (0%)	111 (0%)	30 (0 %)	8 (0 %)	6 (0 %)	75 (0 %)	20 (0 %)		

Source: [Ethnic Group, Census 2011, NISRA](#)

Age

NISRA have published population projections for the Borough which show that the proportion of those aged 85 and over are expected to more than double within the next 25 years.

ANDBC has the highest % population of older people in Northern Ireland.

See table below

Data:

Age Groups (Numbers with % in brackets)

	0-15	16-39	40-64	65+	Total
Northern Ireland	385,200 (21%)	583,116 (31%)	591,481 (32%)	291,824 (16%)	1,851,621 (100%)
Ards and North Down Borough Council	29,801 (19%)	43,239 (27%)	54,094 (34%)	31,663 (20%)	158,797 (100%)

Sources: [Demography and Methodology Branch, NISRA](#)
[World Health Organization](#)

<p>Marital Status</p>	<p>The 2011 Northern Ireland Census showed that 48% of adults (those aged over 16 years of age) in Northern Ireland were either married or in a registered same-sex civil partnership. Within the borough, 54% of adults fell into this category. This varies across the borough from 36% in Central (Ards) ward to 64% in Lisbane ward. See table below Data: Marital Status (All aged 16+) (Numbers with % in brackets)</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="467 485 1572 1146"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>All usual residents</th> <th>Single (never married or never registered a same-sex civil partnership)</th> <th>Married</th> <th>In a registered same-sex civil partnership</th> <th>legally married or still legally in a same-sex civil partnership)</th> <th>Divorced or formerly in a same-sex civil partnership which is now legally dissolved</th> <th>Widowed or surviving partner from a same-sex civil partnership</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Northern Ireland</td> <td>1,431,540 (100%)</td> <td>517,393 (36%)</td> <td>680,831 (48%)</td> <td>1,243 (0%)</td> <td>56,911 (4%)</td> <td>78,074 (5%)</td> <td>97,088 (7%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ards and North Down Borough Council</td> <td>126,945 (100%)</td> <td>36,730 (29%)</td> <td>67,866 (53%)</td> <td>123 (0%)</td> <td>4,328 (3%)</td> <td>8,548 (7%)</td> <td>9,350 (7%)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Source: Northern Ireland 2011 Census, Marital Status</p>		All usual residents	Single (never married or never registered a same-sex civil partnership)	Married	In a registered same-sex civil partnership	legally married or still legally in a same-sex civil partnership)	Divorced or formerly in a same-sex civil partnership which is now legally dissolved	Widowed or surviving partner from a same-sex civil partnership	Northern Ireland	1,431,540 (100%)	517,393 (36%)	680,831 (48%)	1,243 (0%)	56,911 (4%)	78,074 (5%)	97,088 (7%)	Ards and North Down Borough Council	126,945 (100%)	36,730 (29%)	67,866 (53%)	123 (0%)	4,328 (3%)	8,548 (7%)	9,350 (7%)
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<p>Sexual orientation</p>	<p>Summary: It should be noted that no reliable data is available on sexual orientation-NISRA are currently examining methodology on how to measure this. However, the 2011 census indicates that less than 1% of the Northern Ireland adult population (those aged 16 years and over) were in a registered same-sex civil partnership. This was similar to the borough as a whole. The Continuous Household Survey in Northern Ireland estimated this figure between 0.9% and 1.9% in 2015-2016. The Office for National Statistics estimates a similar range for the United Kingdom (1.7%). Source: Northern Ireland 2011 Census, Marital Status ONS 2015 Sexual Identity</p>																								
<p>Men & Women generally</p>	<p>According to census (NISRA) almost half of the population of Northern Ireland were male (49%) and this was similar throughout Ards and North Down Borough Council (48%). See table below Data:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="467 1734 1572 1879"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Males</th> <th>Females</th> <th>All</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Northern Ireland</td> <td>887,323 (49%)</td> <td>923,540 (51%)</td> <td>1,810,863 (100%)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Males	Females	All	Northern Ireland	887,323 (49%)	923,540 (51%)	1,810,863 (100%)																
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Source: [Age Structure, Census 2011, NISRA](#)
[Review of statistical classification and delineation of settlements, NISRA](#)

Disability	The 2011 Census (NISRA) showed that 20% of the population in Ards and North Down area had a health issue or disability (including those related to old age) which has lasted or expected to last at least 12 months. (This was similar to the Northern Ireland figure of 21%.)		
	Disability Living Allowances, 2015		
		2015 (Disability Living Allowance Recipients)	2015 (Multiple Disability Benefits) *MDB is aggregated data from Attendance Allowance, Disability Living Allowance, Incapacity Benefit and Severe Disablement Allowance data, and data for Employment and Support allowance
	Northern Ireland	209,280	251,490
	Ards and North Down Borough Council	13,840	18,080
	Ards Peninsula	2,920	n/a
	Bangor Central	2,250	n/a
	Bangor East and Donaghadee	1,740	n/a
	Bangor West	1,650	n/a
	Comber	1,270	n/a
	Hollywood and Clandeboye	1,180	n/a
Newtownards	2,840	n/a	
Northern Ireland Census 2011 Long-term health problem or disability by long-term problem or disability			

Dependents	<p>Summary: In considering this dimension the following have been included: persons with responsibility for the care of a child, children, a person with a disability and or an older person. According to the Continuous Household Survey, 2013-2016, 37% of Ards and North Down claimed to have a dependent (This did not differentiate on the type of dependent). According to the 2011 Census, 7,474 households in Ards and North Down had a dependent child under the age of 4 (This might give an indication on the numbers who would have buggies or prams).</p>
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	Sources: Continuous Household Survey
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11.	Based on data previously provided what are the needs, experiences and priorities for each of the following categories, in relation to this policy/decision?										
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		Minor/Major/None
	Religious Belief	This policy does not impact on good relations.
	Political Opinion	
	Racial Group	

4.	Are there opportunities to better promote Good Relations between people of different religious belief, political opinion or racial group?	
	If "Yes" provide details	If "No" provide details
	Religious Belief	No as the policy is based on principles of social value in sustainable procurement.
	Political Opinion	
	Racial Group	

Additional Considerations

	Multiple Identity Considerations	Details of Impact or potential impact (Positive/Negative)
	Are there any potential impacts of the policy decision on people with multiple identities? (e.g. disabled minority ethnic persons). Where appropriate provide details of data on the impact of the policy on people with multiple identities. Specify relevant Section 75 categories concerned.	No as the policy is based on the principles of social value in sustainable procurement.

Disability Discrimination Order (NI) 2006

	Does this proposed policy provide an opportunity to:	Yes / No	Explain your reasoning:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>better promote positive attitudes</u> towards disabled people - <u>increase participation</u> by disabled people in public life 	Yes	The council is committed to ensuring the social value in sustainable procurement process is fair and accessible by all potential suppliers. To ensure this is possible the use of a range of communication methods are used to engage with a broad range of potential suppliers and alternative formats of any information will be made available on request where a need exists.

Monitoring Arrangements

Section 75 places a requirement on the Council to have equality monitoring arrangements in place to assess the impact of policies and services, help identify barriers to fair participation and to better promote equality of opportunity.

	Outline what data you could collect in the future to monitor the impact of this policy / decision on <u>equality, good relations and disability duties</u>	Should any relevant monitoring data become available this will be used in future procurement exercises. Comments and complaints received in relation to any procurement exercises that may imply equality, good relations and disability duties have not been complied with by the council officers or elected members.
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I can confirm that the proposed policy / decision have been screened for:-

x	Equality of opportunity and good relations
x	Disabilities duties

On the basis of the answers to the screening questions, I recommend that this policy / decision is:-

x	Screened Out – No EQIA necessary (no impacts)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Screened Out – Mitigating Actions (minor impacts)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Screened In – Necessary to conduct a full EQIA Please detail actions to be taken:

Screening assessment completed by:-

Name: Debbie Bolton
 Title: Procurement Manager
 Date: 24.02.21
 Signature:

Director/Head of Service decision approved by:

Name:
 Title:
 Date:
 Signature:

If an Equality Impact Assessment is required

Priority Rating for Timetabling an Equality Impact Assessment. (1-3)	Priority Criterion	Rating
	Effect on equality of opportunity and good relations	
	Social need	
	Effect on people's daily lives	
	Relevance to a public authority's functions	

Is this Policy Affected by Timetables established by other relevant Public Authorities?	
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Monitoring Recommendation	
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Approval and Authorisation	Position/Job Title:	Date:
Screened by: <i>DBolton</i>	Procurement Manager	10.08.21
Approved by:		