

BUDGET CUT ASSESSMENT FORM

S4

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Description of Proposal:						
Tobacco Control – Contribution to FRESH No contribution to FRESH the regional office for Tobacco Control. There would be no capacity to undertake local campaigns and limited capacity to support national or regional campaigns in Darlington.						
Ending of Wider Tobacco Control £28,500 , FRESH North East						
Human Resources Impacts		Asset Management Impacts	Decommissioning Costs		Cost Shunting	
No. of posts to be deleted	Nil	Detail any released buildings/building space Identify disposal or requisition issues No	In addition to HR and Asset costs identify any others e.g. early contract termination costs FRESH: committed to a 2-yr contract agreement with the other North East Local Authorities until 31 st March 2017.		Is there any known or potential to increase costs elsewhere within Council budgets NO	
No. of potential redundancies	Nil					
Estimated Redundancy costs	£Nil					

	Financial Summary				
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
Estimated reduction to budget	0	£28,500	£28,500	£28,500	£28,500
Redundancy Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Asset Implication	0	0	0	0	0
Decommissioning Costs	0	0	0	0	0
Known Cost Shunting	0	0	0	0	0
Overhead	0	920	909	901	901
NET Budget Reduction	0	£29,420	£29,409	£29,401	£29,401

Equality Impacts

Overview is EIA needed?			Protected Characteristics					
Put 'x' in relevant box if the proposal:	'x'	Comments, including any charge across the options. Include the number of people affected, where known	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Put 'x' in the box in the Impact column if there are positive (P) or negative (N) equality impacts. Leave box blank if there are no potential equality impacts Put L, M, H or ? in relevant column using following descriptions: L = sustainable adjustment in daily routine M = significant reorganisation or change H = life changing or limiting impact on quality of life ? = not known at this stage. 	Impact	Level	Explain decision, level of impact and any change across the options	Yes	Brief Details
Affects	Service users	Those from poorer backgrounds bare the greatest health and economic burden associated with tobacco use. Smoking prevalence is higher amongst routine and manual workers than the general population. As such these groups may be disproportionately affected by any reduction in Regional work undertaken by FRESH which facilitates access to services for these groups through the provision of robust and timely data and information campaigns.						
	Employees			P	N	L/M/H/?		Have Cumulative Impacts been identified?

	The wider community			Age					Have unlawful impacts been identified?		
Significantly affects how services are delivered?				Race					Are there opportunities to advance equality?		
Have a significant effect on partner organisations?	X	Removing the Darlington contribution to FRESH could destabilise/ jeopardise the future of that organisation.		Sex					Are there opportunities to foster good relations?		
Affect services known to be important to particular protected groups?		Latest data shows that approximately 19.6% of women in Darlington were smokers at time of delivery in Darlington. Pregnant women are one of the groups most likely to benefit from stop smoking support, advice and services. Reduced availability and access to timely and robust information about good practice, prevalence and outcomes for this group may adversely impact on smoking prevalence and quit rates amongst pregnant women in Darlington.		Gender Reassignment					Have any other options been explored and discounted?		
Affect different protected groups in different ways?				Disability							
Relate to service areas with known inequalities				Religion or Belief							
				Sexual Orientation							
				Pregnancy or Maternity		X	L	Smoking rates at time of delivery in Darlington remain high having potential negative health and economic impacts for mother and unborn child. They may therefore be disproportionately affected by any reduction in Regional work undertaken by FRESH which facilitates access to services for pregnant women for example through the provision of robust and timely data and information campaigns.			
				Marriage/Civil Partnership							

MTFP – 2016/17 – Equality Screenings. This screening tool is to gather information on potential equality impacts to inform decision making. It is not an equality impact assessment. EIA will be done at a later stage where appropriate. All proposals must have an equality screen document. Decision makers must have equality screening information before any decision is taken. DBC is at risk of legal challenge if decision makers do not have this information.