

## Scottish Borders Council

# **Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA)**

## Part 1 Scoping

## 1 Details of the Proposal

Title of Proposal:  Overtime	Policy and supporting briefing notes.
	licy/Strategy/Practice  Policy <del>/Strategy/Practice</del> X
The policy rate at wh designate  Work in e particular However, unavoidate  The Police	review of an existing policy and guidance.  y sets out the circumstances in which overtime will be paid and the nich it will be paid, along with enhancements due for working on the Public/Fixed holiday dates  excess of normal hours of duty is normally discouraged, and in employees should not be required to consistently work overtime. SBC recognises that there are occasions when overtime is tole and in such cases conditions shall apply.  ey affirms that alternatives to overtime, such as Time Off in Lieu ould be considered before payment of overtime.

	Additionally overtime is not usually compulsory and staff are able to choose not to work overtime.		
ervice Area: Epartment:  Human Resources			
Lead Officer:	Iain Davidson Employee Relations Manager		
Other Officers/Partners involved:	Ian Angus HR Shared Services Manager		
Date(s) IIA completed: April 2022			
<ul> <li>Will there be any cumulative impacts as a result of the relationship between this proposal and other policies?</li> <li>No</li> <li>If yes, - please state here:</li> </ul>			
3 Legislative Requirements			
3.1 Relevance to the Equality Duty:			

Equality Duty	Reasoning:		
Elimination of discrimination (both direct & indirect), victimisation and harassment. Foster good relations?	Given this policy focusses on the payment of overtime rather than the necessity to undertake it, it is considered that the policy is not relevant to the Public Sector Equality Duty.		
Promotion of equality of opportunity?			

# 3.2 Which groups of people do you think will be or potentially could be, impacted by the implementation of this proposal? (You should consider employees, clients, customers / service users, and any other relevant groups)

Please tick below as appropriate, outlining any potential impacts on the undernoted equality groups this proposal may have and how you know this.

	Impact			Please explain the potential impacts and how you
	No Impact	Positive Impact	Negative Impact	know this
Protected characteristics including:	Х			
Age, Disability, Race, Sexual Orientation and Gender Reassignment				
Sex			Х	Any requirement to work overtime can have a potentially negative impact on both men and women especially those with caring responsibilities. It may be that for some women and men they may find it more difficult to work later and/or longer hours due to childcare. This is statistically likely to affect more women than men.

		However, overtime is not usually compulsory and staff would be able to choose not to work overtime. This policy focusses on the payment of overtime rather than the necessity to undertake it.  This will be mitigated by consideration being given to an employee's personal circumstances when overtime is required.
People with Religious or other Beliefs: different beliefs, customs (including atheists and those with no aligned belief)	X	A requirement to work overtime on specific days may affect some people from certain religions. For example Sundays for Christians, Saturdays for Jews. Other religions may be affected by evening working and specific times such as Ramadan and fasting during daylight hours. However as above overtime is not usually compulsory and staff would be able to choose not to work overtime This policy focusses on the payment of overtime rather than the necessity to undertake it.  This will be mitigated by consideration being given to an employee's personal circumstances when overtime is required.
Pregnancy and Maternity (refers to the period after the birth, and is linked to maternity leave in the employment context. In the non-work context, protection against maternity discrimination is for 26 weeks after giving birth),	X	Pregnant women may find it more difficult to work overtime but his policy covers the payment of overtime when worked rather than the necessity to undertake overtime. As above overtime is not usually compulsory and staff would be able to choose not to work overtime  This will be mitigated by consideration being given to an employee's personal circumstances when overtime is required.

### 3.3 Fairer Scotland Duty

This duty places a legal responsibility on Scottish Borders Council (SBC) to actively consider (give due regard) to how we can reduce inequalities of outcome caused by socioeconomic disadvantage when making <u>strategic</u> decisions.

The duty is set at a strategic level - these are the key, high level decisions that SBC will take. This would normally include strategy documents, decisions about setting priorities, allocating resources and commissioning services.

#### Is the proposal strategic?

No (please delete as applicable)

This Policy is not subject to the Fairer Scotland Duty,

### If No go to Section 3.4

If yes, please indicate any potential impact on the undernoted groups this proposal may have and how you know this:

	Impact			State here how you know this
	No Impact	Positive Impact	Negative Impact	
Carers paid and unpaid including family members				
Low and/or No Wealth – enough money to meet basic living costs and pay bills but have no savings to deal with any unexpected spends and no provision for the future.				
Material Deprivation – being unable to access basic goods and services i.e. financial products like life insurance, repair/replace broken				

electrical goods, warm home, leisure and hobbies		
Area Deprivation – where you live (e.g. rural areas), where you work (e.g. accessibility of transport)		
Socio-economic Background – social class i.e. parents' education, employment and income		
Looked after and accommodated children and young people		
Homelessness		
Addictions and substance use		
Those involved within the criminal justice system		

### 4 Full Integrated Impact Assessment Required

Select No if you have answered "No" to all of Sections 3.1 – 3.3.

Yes / No (please delete as applicable)

If a full impact assessment is not required briefly explain why there are no effects and provide justification for the decision.

, The potential impact of this Policy is not directly relevant to the Public Sector or Fairer Scotland Duty, The Policy, applied fairly and consistently, should ensure that it is applicable to all employees irrespective of protected characteristic or socio economic factors. More specifically the consideration of both Duties is more relevant to public facing services as opposed to internal HR Policies.

However, it is recommended that the policy is reviewed every two years or as legislation and/or changes to the Scheme of Pay and Conditions are made in order to ensure that the Policy remains relevant and fit for purpose.

Signed by Lead Officer:	Iain Davidson
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Date:	26 April 2022
	Clair Hepburn
Counter Signature Service Director	
	27/04/2022
Date:	