



#### CYC VAS POLICY 2015

- This policy sets out a criteria for the use of VAS within the CYC authority area to ensure a consistent approach and targeted use of LTP resources and to make sure VAS are used in appropriate areas. It also provides a method for future monitoring, review, faults and
- 2. Criteria for Speed Limit VAS:
- a. Local Transport Plan(LTP) funding will only be used where the 85%ile speed equals or exceeds the signed limit by 10%+2mph (i.e. 35mph in a 30mph limit, and 46mph in a 40mph limit). This would be consistent with the speed enforcement thresholds employed by the police.
- b. Where the LTP funding criteria is not met, a Ward Committee or Parish Council may still wish to fund the installation of a VAS. In this situation, it is recommended that a threshold of 85%ile speeds being 10% above the speed limit should be adopted (i.e.33mph in a 30mph limit and 44mph in a 40mph limit).
- 3. Types of signs / Design considerations:

VAS installed on the Highway must comply with The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 unless special authorisation is obtained from the Department for Transport (DfT) for a non-prescribed sign.

Speed limit VAS should display the 'Speed Limit' Roundel to Diagram 670, accompanied by the legend "SLOW DOWN".

'Warning Signs' to Diagram numbers 504.1, 505.1, 506.1, 507.1, 510, 512, 512.1, 512.2, 512.3 and 513 can be accompanied by the legend "SLOW DOWN".

Both sign types may also include amber flashing circles.

4. Criteria for Hazard Warning VAS:

Hazard warning VAS will only be provided at sites with at least one recorded injury accident in the previous three years along with reports of inappropriate speed (which may be within the posted speed limit).

- 5. Post installation monitoring: Speed data to be collected three months after installation for monitoring purposes.
- 6. Fault monitoring & maintenance: When a sign develops a fault outside of the warranty period. The site will be reviewed objectively when the sign is not present applying the criteria in para. 2. If the site meets the criteria, it is recommended that the VAS is repaired or replaced. If they do not, the sign and post should be removed and the site disbanded.
- 7. Funding:

An annual allocation within the capital programme speed management budget to review sites that develop faults and repair or replace as appropriate based on the criteria.

Ward committee or Parish Councils are expected to fund any maintenance (if they so wish) if they originally purchased the signs.

#### Illustrative prices for Standard Speed VAS and Speed Indicator Devices

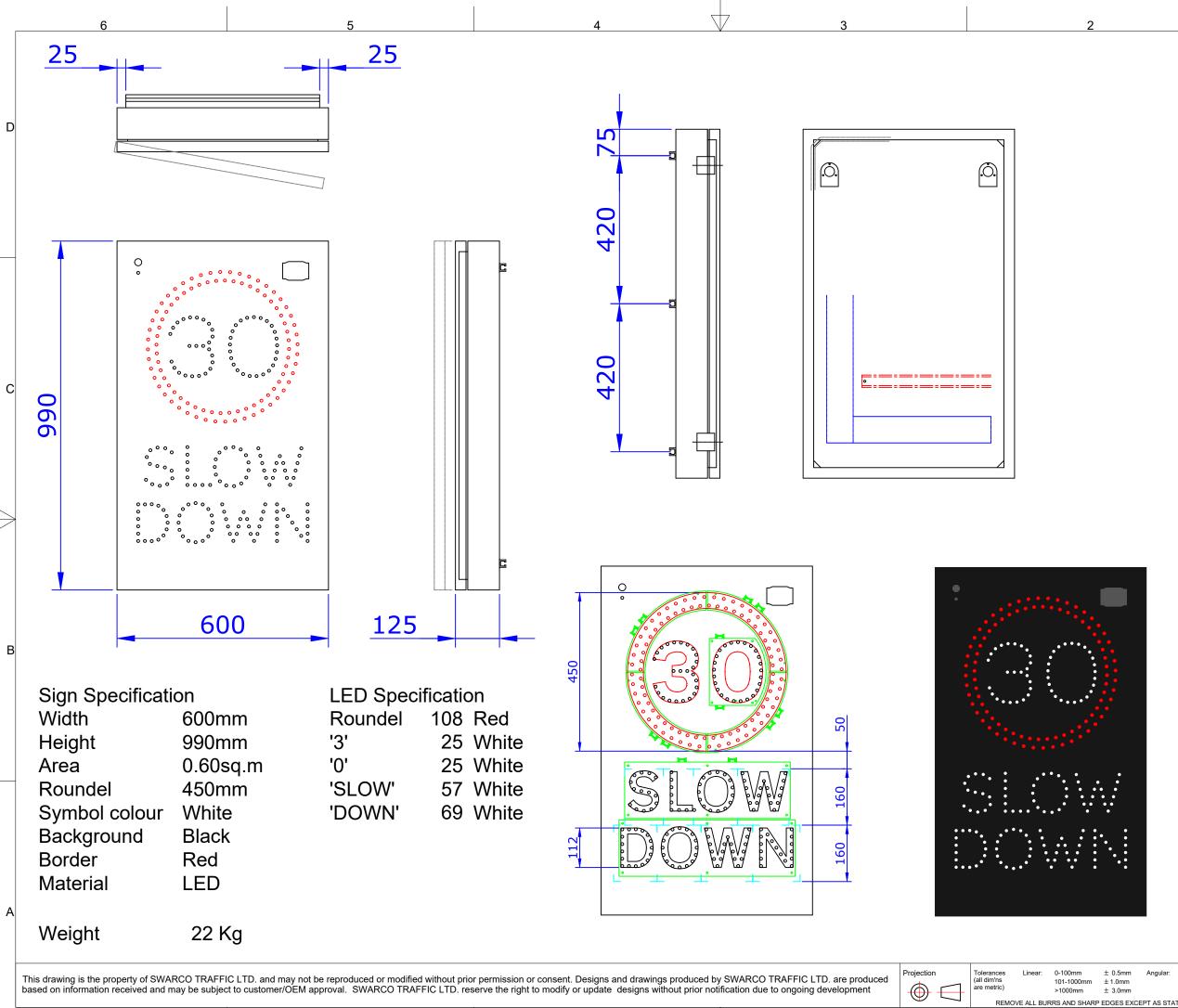
Prices are shown below for VAS and SID at both 450mm and 600mm roundel sizes. PGS is the SWARCO remote access system.

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VM21324 002	2,068.89	281.78	722.16	722.16
VM21324 003	2,722.25	451.48	350.61	539.22
VM21324 004	2,909.16	730.71	350.61	267.85

Drawings for all designs are attached for ref.

All pricing is based on 6 year Bronze (RTB) warranty, sign prices are supply only and are exc VAT.

All prices supplied by SWARCO Ltd and correct as of 01/07/2021.



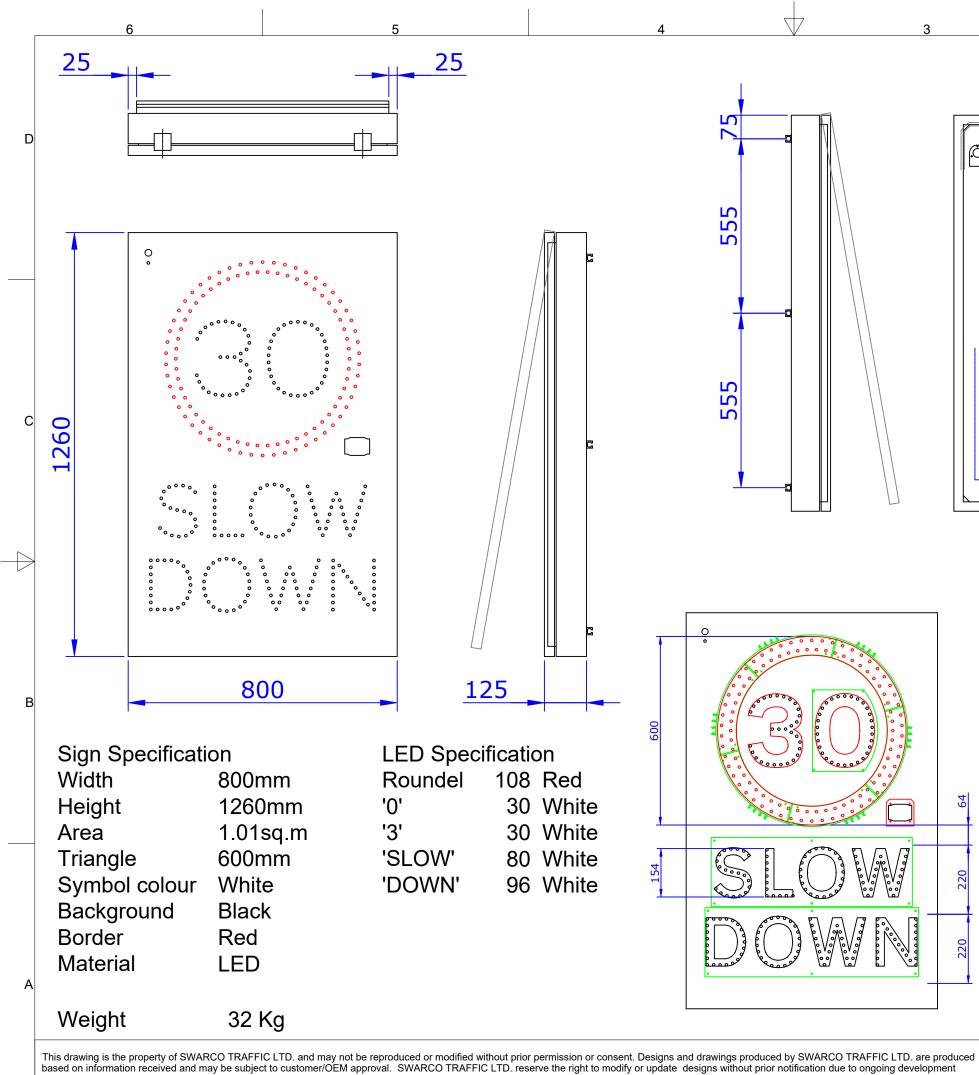
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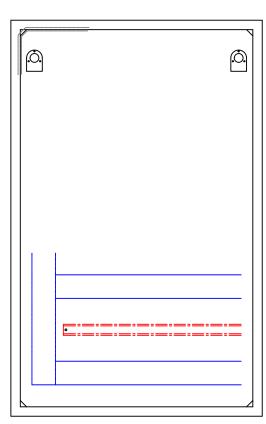
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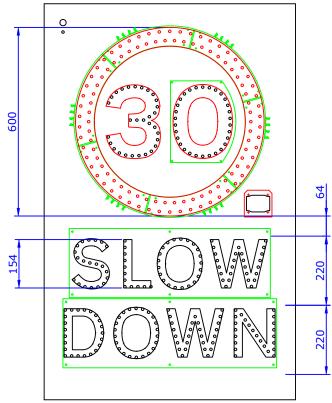
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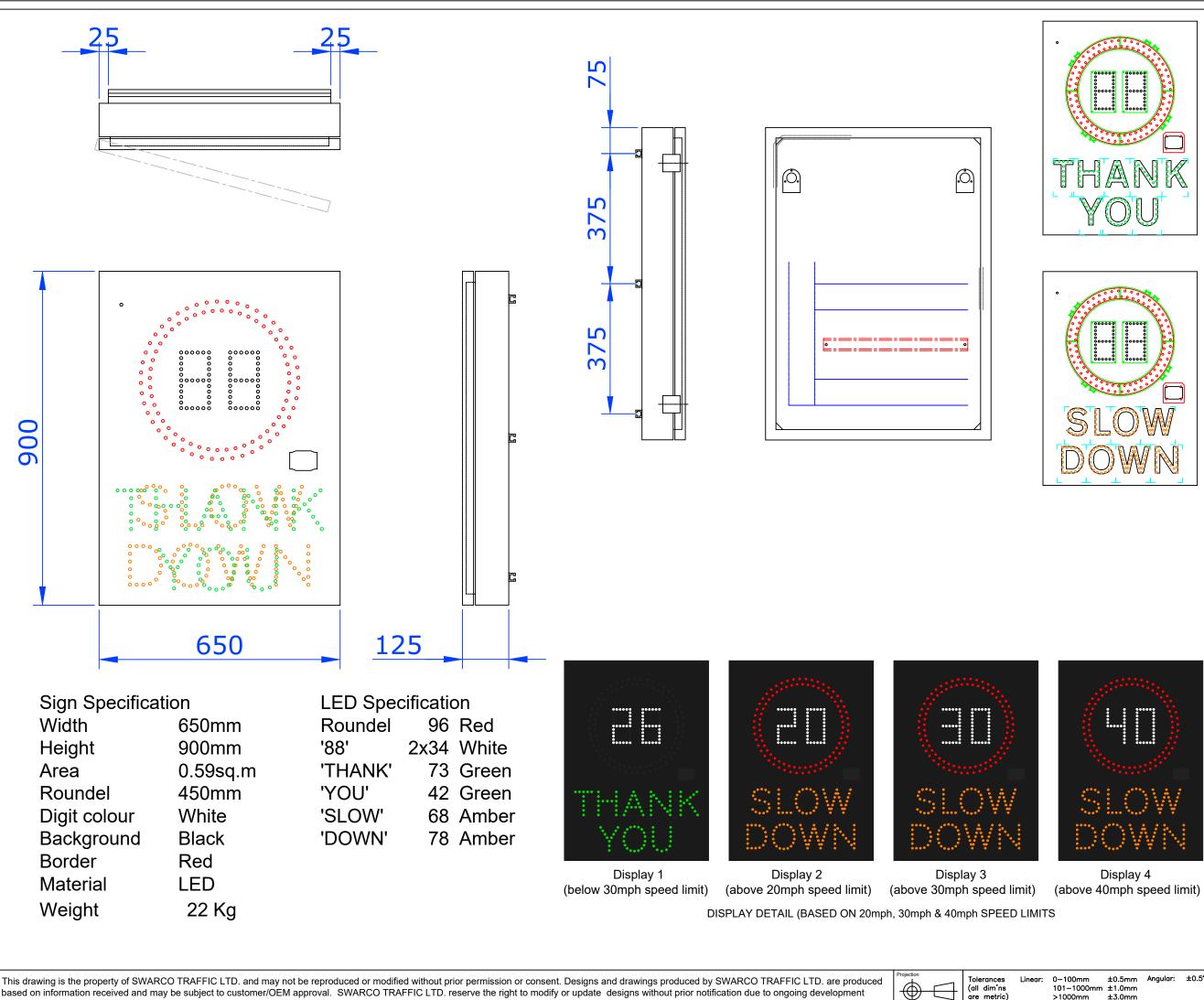
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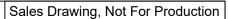
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3. Enclosure colour: Matt black

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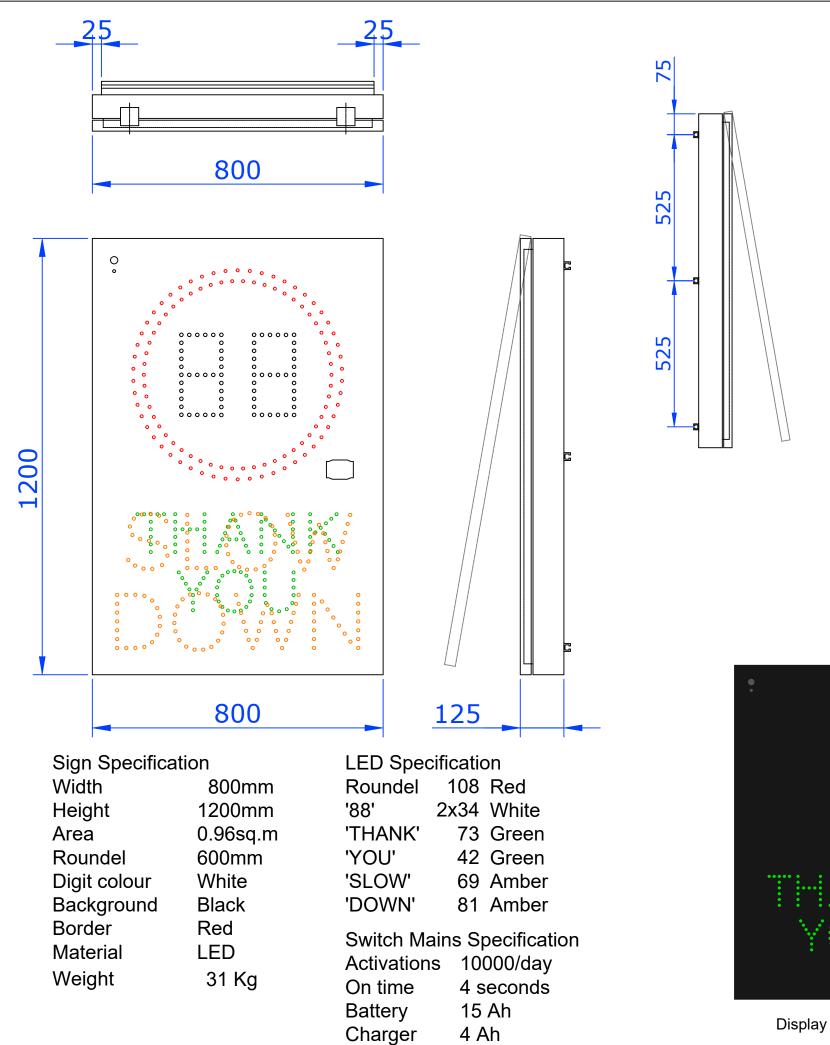
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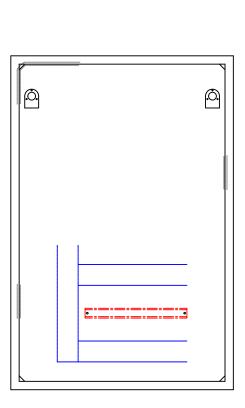
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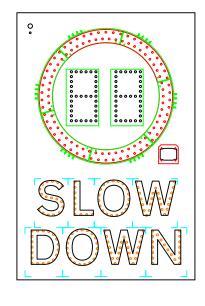
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Description: VAS 1 Enclosure









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Display 1 (5-30mph)

Display 2 (20-99mph)

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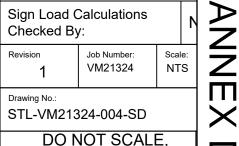
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## City of York Council

# **Equalities Impact Assessment**

## Who is submitting the proposal?

Directorate:					
Service Area:		Transport			
Name of the proposal :		Vehicle Activated Sign Speed Indicator Device TRIAL			
Lead officer:		Ben Potter			
Date assessment completed:		03/06/2021			
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# Step 1 – Aims and intended outcomes

1.1	What is the purpose of the proposal? Please explain your proposal in Plain English avoiding acronyms and jargon.
	To amend the existing City of York Council Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) Policy to allow for an alternative sign to be used at VAS sites.

1.2	Are there any external considerations? (Legislation/government directive/codes of practice etc.)
	Legislation & Guidance: TSRGD 2018 / TAL 1/03 – Vehicle Activated Signs

1.3	Who are the stakeholders and what are their interests?
	Ward & Parish Councillors – many have asked for this signing option in the past.
	York and North Yorkshire Road Safety Partnership – our partners who we work closely with on speed management schemes where VAS may be deployed.
	Traffic Systems Team – they manage the devices once they are installed.

1.4	What results/outcomes do we want to achieve and for whom? This section should explain what outcomes you want to achieve for service users, staff and/or the wider community. Demonstrate how the proposal links to the Council Plan (2019- 2023) and other corporate strategies and plans.
	We want to be able to offer a sign type which has been requested for a number of years, with robust evidence to show that it can help reduce speeds over a sustained time period.

### **Step 2 – Gathering the information and feedback**

2.1	What sources of data, evidence and consultation feedback do we have to help us understand the impact of the proposal on equality rights and human rights? Please consider a range of sources, including: consultation exercises, surveys, feedback from staff, stakeholders, participants, research reports, the views of equality groups, as well your own experience of working in this area etc.		
Sourc	e of data/supporting evidence	Reason for using	
Experier	nce of CYC Engineers	The proposal is a minor change to an existing policy which is well understood by the officers who carried out the trial of the new signs.	

Step 3 – Gaps in data and knowledge

3.1	3.1What are the main gaps in information and understanding of the impact of your proposal? Please indicate how any gaps will be dealt with.Gaps in data or knowledgeAction to deal with this	
Gaps		
None		

# Step 4 – Analysing the impacts or effects.

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Equality Groups and Human Rights.	Key Findings/Impacts	Positive (+) Negative (-) Neutral (0)	High (H) Medium (M) Low (L)
Age	None	0	N/A
Disability	None	0	N/A
Gender	None	0	N/A
Gender Reassignment	None	0	N/A
Marriage and civil partnership	None	0	N/A

Pregnancy and maternity	None	0	N/A
Race	None	0	N/A
Religion and belief	None	0	N/A
Sexual orientation	None	0	N/A
Other Socio- economic groups including :	Could other socio-economic groups be affected e.g. carers, ex-offenders, low incomes?		
Carer	None	0	N/A
Low income groups	None	0	N/A
Veterans, Armed Forces Community	None	0	N/A
Other			
Impact on human rights:			
List any human rights impacted.			

## Use the following guidance to inform your responses:

Indicate:

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- Where you think that the proposal could have a POSITIVE impact on any of the equality groups like promoting equality and equal opportunities or improving relations within equality groups
- Where you think that the proposal could have a NEGATIVE impact on any of the equality groups, i.e. it could disadvantage them
- Where you think that this proposal has a NEUTRAL effect on any of the equality groups listed below i.e. it has no effect currently on equality groups.

It is important to remember that a proposal may be highly relevant to one aspect of equality and not relevant to another.

High impact (The proposal or process is very equality relevant)	There is significant potential for or evidence of adverse impact The proposal is institution wide or public facing The proposal has consequences for or affects significant numbers of people The proposal has the potential to make a significant contribution to promoting equality and the exercise of human rights.
Medium impact (The proposal or process is somewhat equality relevant)	There is some evidence to suggest potential for or evidence of adverse impact The proposal is institution wide or across services, but mainly internal The proposal has consequences for or affects some people The proposal has the potential to make a contribution to promoting equality and the exercise of human rights
Low impact (The proposal or process might be equality relevant)	There is little evidence to suggest that the proposal could result in adverse impact The proposal operates in a limited way The proposal has consequences for or affects few people The proposal may have the potential to contribute to promoting equality and the exercise of human rights

## **Step 5 - Mitigating adverse impacts and maximising positive impacts**

5.1	Based on your findings, explain ways you plan to mitigate any unlawful prohibited conduct or unwanted adverse impact. Where positive impacts have been identified, what is been done to optimise opportunities to advance equality or foster good relations?
Not applica	able.

## **Step 6 – Recommendations and conclusions of the assessment**

6.1	1 Having considered the potential or actual impacts you should be in a position to make an informed judgement on what should be done. In all cases, document your reasoning that justifies your decision. There are four main options you can take:		
po	<b>major change to the proposal</b> – the EIA demonstrates the proposal is robust. There is no tential for unlawful discrimination or adverse impact and you have taken all opportunities to vance equality and foster good relations, subject to continuing monitor and review.		

- **Adjust the proposal –** the EIA identifies potential problems or missed opportunities. This involves taking steps to remove any barriers, to better advance quality or to foster good relations.
- **Continue with the proposal** (despite the potential for adverse impact) you should clearly set out the justifications for doing this and how you believe the decision is compatible with our obligations under the duty
- **Stop and remove the proposal –** if there are adverse effects that are not justified and cannot be mitigated, you should consider stopping the proposal altogether. If a proposal leads to unlawful discrimination it should be removed or changed.

**Important:** If there are any adverse impacts you cannot mitigate, please provide a compelling reason in the justification column.

Conclusions/justification
The proposed change to the VAS policy has no potential for unlawful discrimination or adverse impact on equalities.
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### **Step 7 – Summary of agreed actions resulting from the assessment**

7.1 What actio	What action, by whom, will be undertaken as a result of the impact assessment.			
Impact/issue	Action to be taken	Person responsible	Timescale	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

#### **Step 8 - Monitor, review and improve**

8. 1	How will the impact of your proposal be monitored and improved upon going forward? Consider how will you identify the impact of activities on protected characteristics and other marginalised groups going forward? How will any learning and enhancements be capitalised on and embedded?		
	N/A		

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