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Duty to eliminate discrimination (E), advance equal opportunities (A) or foster good relations (F)	Yes	
Relevance to Human Rights (HR)	Yes	
Relevance to Health Impacts (H)	Yes	
Relevance to Social Economic Impacts (SE)	Yes	
Who will be affected by this policy?		
All adults and children eligible for social work services		

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Who will be/has been involved in the consultation process?

HSCP partners, carers , service users and staff.

Please outline any particular need/barriers which equality groups may have in relation to this policy list evidence you are using to support this and whether there is any negative impact on particular groups.

	Needs	Evidence	Impact
		West	
		Dunbartonshire has	
		an aging population.	
		In terms of overall	
		size, the 45-64 age	
		group was the	
		largest in 2020, with	
		a population of	
		25,646 (29%).	
		Therefore in the	
		coming years	
		pressure on older	
		adult services will	
		increase as this	
	As people age they	population gets	
	are more likely to	older. Adults who	
	require Health and	are over the working	
	social Care support	age can not apply for	
Age	due to their	PiP -reducing access	
nge	advancing fragility.	to Mobility	
	Younger people up	component. In July	
	to the age of 22years	2022, there were	
	are entitled to free	3,041 adults aged	
	travel.	16-74 claiming	
		(Personal	
		Independence	
		Payment) PIP* at the	
		Mobility Award	
		Enhanced Rate in	
		West	
		Dunbartonshire.	
		This was 43% of all	
		adults claiming PIP	
		in West	
		Dunbartonshire. The	
		proportion of People	
		claiming PIP in	
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Cross Cutting		Mobility Award Enhanced Rate was highest among the 16-19 year and 60- 74 age group, and lowest among the 25-49 year age group.	
Disability	This group is more likely to require support with transport, due to physical or cognitive impairments. It can be difficult to access transport if you require the use of mobility aids.	The 2011 Scottish Census states 8.3% of individuals within West Dun have a physical disability. Additionally, the older you are the more likely you are to have a disability. It is estimated that, in 2019, over half (51%) of the population aged 75 or over had a disability	Positive Impact Eligibility criteria has been established to target those with a disability thus increasing the likelihood of those with a disability being able to access assisted transport provision. Negative impact If this group through assessment are not eligible of support with transport then this could result in withdrawing from services resulting in isolation. Some people due to disability can be vulnerable when using public transport.
Social & Economic Impact	A lot of those in receipt of social care services, main income is benefit based.	Between 2015 and 2019, 12% of pensioners in Scotland were in persistent poverty after housing costs, unchanged from the previous period. There is an increase to the cost of living and consumables across the country. With inflation currently sitting at 10.7%	Negative Impact The inability to access free assisted transport may impede service users in accessing services due to costs Positive Impact Considering other methods of transport such as cycling and walking is more environmentally friendly as well as less costly
Sex		As of 2020, the gender split of the population showed more females	·

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Policy has a negative impact on an equality group,but is still to be implemented,

please provide justification for this.

Any negative impacts will be mitigated by good care and support planning.

Will the impact of the policy be monitored and reported on an ongoing bases?

The impact of the policy will be monitored through the continuous improvement frameworks currently being adopted within the HSCP

Q7 What is you recommendation for this policy?

Intoduce

Please provide a meaningful summary of how you have reached the recommendation

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