

## Responses from other local authorities regarding the draft Equality Impact Assessment

A draft of the full Equality Impact Assessment was circulated by the Chief Executive for comment to the following local authorities on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016:

Derbyshire County Council  
Nottinghamshire County Council  
Derby City Council  
Nottingham City Council  
Sheffield City Region Combined Authority  
Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council  
Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council  
Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council  
Sheffield City Council

Two responses were received, as follows

Barnsley MBC (Chief Executive) responded to say that 'this is a thorough and substantial piece of work'.

Derbyshire County Council (Chief Executive) responded as follows:

I am pleased that you have acknowledged the need to undertake a full equality impact assessment and I appreciate the sentiment of inviting our input. However, quite frankly, this invitation has been received at such a late stage in the process as to make it meaningless since I simply do not have time to do justice to the issues involved. In the circumstances, I simply note the document which has been produced and reserve our position on its adequacy in relation to your Council's public sector equality duty.

A reply to the county council was sent on 24<sup>th</sup> March to clarify that the timetable has arisen from a combination of government process and the county council's own challenge to the decision made by CBC. It also re-iterated that the request included any existing material available regarding consideration that the county council had given to the equality impacts across Derbyshire of its own decisions regarding support of a combined authority and devolution deal, given that no such material is available in the public domain.