

Title of Proposed EIA	<p data-bbox="592 194 1374 477">Adoption of the 'Rea Valley Urban Quarter SPD' the city and improving the public realm. The area will benefit from significant improvements to public transport. Existing bus services will be complimented by the extension of the Midland Metro. Parking and servicing will not be allowed to dominate the environment in the SPD area and disabled parking will be provided.</p> <p data-bbox="592 524 1066 562">The design approach as set out within t</p>
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Marriage and Civil Partnership Details	N/A
Protected Characteristic Pregnancy and Maternity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Service Users and Stakeholders - Wider Community
Pregnancy and Maternity Details	See disability section
Protected Characteristic Race	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Service Users and Stakeholders - Wider Community
Race Details	<p>During the development design, planning and management process there will be regular review to ensure that the interests of the local community are reflected including interests of those with protected characteristics. All groups with protected characteristics should indirectly benefit from future development in the Rea Valley.</p> <p>An engagement strategy was developed to set out how the public consultation will be carried out. This has been developed in line with guidance as provided in the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) (2008) and the relevant regulations.</p> <p>The public consultation approach was made relevant to the local community and wards within the SPD area. As such relevant organisations that advise on equalities issues were consulted.</p> <p>Groups in the area were informed about the draft SPD (via letter / press release / online), for which a number of drop-in sessions were made available during the consultation period. Detailed and ongoing engagement will also be carried out with key stakeholders through the planning process.</p>
Protected Characteristic Religion or Beliefs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Service Users and Stakeholders - Wider Community
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Protected Characteristics Sexual Orientation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Service Users and Stakeholders - Wider Community
Sexual Orientation Details	<p>Birmingham's Gay Village has become well established within Southside over the last 20 years and it is acknowledged that it needs to be properly referenced in the final SPD given the focus of the village around the lower parts of Hurst Street, Kent Street and Lower Essex Street. We are aware a number of venues are currently under threat of closure due to leases expiring on the properties but as the properties are in private ownership, the City Council has no powers to intervene in discussions about renewal of leases.</p> <p>The Big City Plan (2010), was endorsed as a framework for the future development and regeneration of the city centre and refers specifically to the Gay Quarter and how residential uses as part of the mixed-use redevelopment of derelict and underused sites will form an important part of Southside's regeneration. The adopted Birmingham Development Plan (2017) Policy TP25 'Tourism and Cultural Facilities,' recognises the importance of cultural facilities and venues as key destinations for creating a diverse offer in the City.' The introduction of the "agent of change" principle to national planning policy (NPPF 2019 Para 182) provides protection for existing LGBT+ business and community facilities from proposed residential development. Where any new development is proposed that could be noise-sensitive, and it could be adversely affected by nearby sources of noise such as music venues, community and sports clubs, then the developer of the new use bears the responsibility of protecting both the existing business and the new development. The emerging relevant Development Management DPD policies on noise and amenity will be updated to reflect the requirements of NPPF Para 182.</p>
Socio-economic impacts	

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Decision by Quality Control officer	Proceed for final approval
Submit draft to Accountable Officer	Yes
Decision by Accountable Officer	Approve
Date approved / rejected by Accountable Officer	
Reasons for approval	Reasons for approval