



Adoption of the nationally agreed Fee Structure for Mandatory Licensing of Special Procedures and Delegation of Powers: Well-being Impact Assessment Report

This report summarises the likely impact of the proposal on the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Denbighshire, Wales and the world.

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Brief description: Proposal to adopt a fee structure and scheme of delegated authority for the Public Health (Wales) Act 2017 ("the Act") in respect of special procedure licensing.

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Localities affected by the proposal: Whole County,

Who will be affected by the proposal? Businesses and individual who undertake special procedures will be affected by the introduction of the licensing fees, which is an increase costs compared to the current Registration scheme. Likely the additional costs maybe passed onto their customers through increase in cost of treatments.

Was this impact assessment completed as a group? Yes

Summary and Conclusion

Before we look in detail at the contribution and impact of the proposal, it is important to consider how the proposal is applying the sustainable development principle. This means that we must act "in a manner which seeks to ensure that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."

Score for the sustainability of the approach

2 out of 4 stars

Actual score : 21 / 36.

Summary for each Sustainable Development principle

Long term

This report is only to approve an appropriate fee structure and scheme of delegated authority for the Public Health (Wales) Act 2017 in respect of special procedure licensing. The national fees concerning the new licensing scheme have been calculated based on the principles of cost recovery. As required by regulations these fees will collectively be reviewed after one year from implementation and at the end of each subsequent three-year period.

Prevention

Fees have been agreed national on a cost recovery basis. The proposal has neutral impact of climate and nature

Integration

A nationally agreed fees structure ensure consistency of costs for businesses which may operate within this authority and beyond. The new scheme allow for a level playing field for all businesses. The scheme ensure higher standards with a skilled workforce within the sector. Standard fees ensuring that we recover our costs in implementing the new scheme and that powers are delegated to the most appropriate Officers who are knowledgeable and trained in implementing this new legislation.

Collaboration

Fees for the special procedure licensing regime have been calculated by the Special Procedures Implementation Group, made up of the 22 local authorities and approved by Public Protection Wales to be consistently applied by local authorities across Wales.

Involvement

Business were involved during the formal consultation by Welsh Government when drafting the new regulations. The setting of fees were the responsibility of local authorities, businesses were not consulted as the exercise to agree the fees were undertaken by the local authorities in Wales to ensure cost recovery in implementing the scheme. The fees will be reviewed as per regulation after 12 months of implementation to ensure cost incurred by the authority are consistent to the fees charged.

Summary of impact

Well-being Goals	Overall Impact
A prosperous Denbighshire	Neutral
A resilient Denbighshire	Neutral
A healthier Denbighshire	Neutral
A more equal Denbighshire	Neutral
A Denbighshire of cohesive communities	Neutral
A Denbighshire of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language	Neutral
A globally responsible Denbighshire	Neutral

Main conclusions

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ensure costs recovery and review as per regulation.

keep a log of time spent to feed into the review

Business and individuals deciding to stop undertaking SP, therefore less licensing practitioners.

Could increase unlicensed premises/practitioners which could increase the need for enforcement intervention

Officers duly authorised with appropriate powers to take enforcement action as necessary

Drive up standards on existing and new businesses

The likely impact on Denbighshire, Wales and the world.

A prosperous Denbighshire

Overall Impact

Neutral

Justification for impact

Higher standards of businesses and practitioners working within the sector due to implementation of the licensing scheme. However there is the potential that some business or individual could cease to undertake some of these treatment due increase in fees for licensing, therefor less suitably trained and licensed practitioners in the sector.

Further actions required

The fees will be collectively reviewed in 12months to ensure they are calculated on the principals of cost recovery.

Positive impacts identified:

A low carbon society

N/A

Quality communications, infrastructure and transport

N/A

Economic development

Higher standards within the sector

Quality skills for the long term

N/A

Quality jobs for the long term

skilled workforce within the sector

Childcare

N/A

Negative impacts identified:

A low carbon society

N/A

Quality communications, infrastructure and transport

N/A

Economic development

Fees could inhibit some to licence special procedures

Quality skills for the long term

N/A

Quality jobs for the long term

N/A

Childcare

N/A

A resilient Denbighshire

Overall Impact

Neutral

Justification for impact

No impact as this proposal relate to setting of fees and delegating of powers

Further actions required

NA

Positive impacts identified:

Biodiversity and the natural environment

N/A

Biodiversity in the built environment

N/A

Reducing waste, reusing and recycling

N/A

Reduced energy/fuel consumption

N/A

People's awareness of the environment and biodiversity

N/A

Flood risk management

N/A

Negative impacts identified:

Biodiversity and the natural environment

N/A

Biodiversity in the built environment

N/A

Reducing waste, reusing and recycling

N/A

Reduced energy/fuel consumption

N/A

People's awareness of the environment and biodiversity

N/A

Flood risk management

N/A

A healthier Denbighshire

Overall Impact

Neutral

Justification for impact

No impact as this proposal relate to setting of fees and delegating of powers, however the actual licensing scheme will ensure those undertaking these special procedures are knowledgeable in infection prevention and control ensuring these treatment are undertaken safely.

Further actions required

N/A

Positive impacts identified:

A social and physical environment that encourage and support health and well-being

N/A

Access to good quality, healthy food

N/A

People's emotional and mental well-being

N/A

Access to healthcare

N/A

Participation in leisure opportunities

N/A

Negative impacts identified:

A social and physical environment that encourage and support health and well-being

N/A

Access to good quality, healthy food

N/A

People's emotional and mental well-being

N/A

Access to healthcare

N/A

Participation in leisure opportunities

N/A

A more equal Denbighshire

Overall Impact

Neutral

Justification for impact

Business may decide to pass on increased costs to their customers, however customers would be reassured that the treatment which they are paying for is undertaken by practitioners which have complied with the licensing standards

Further actions required

The fees will be collectively reviewed in 12 months to ensure they are calculated on the principles of cost recovery.

Positive impacts identified:

Improving the well-being of people with protected characteristics. The nine protected characteristics are: age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage or civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; and sexual orientation

Higher Standards within businesses achieved through the licensing scheme

People who suffer discrimination or disadvantage

N/A

People affected by socio-economic disadvantage and unequal outcomes

N/A

Areas affected by socio-economic disadvantage

N/A

Negative impacts identified:

Improving the well-being of people with protected characteristics. The nine protected characteristics are: age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage or civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; and sexual orientation

N/A

People who suffer discrimination or disadvantage

N/A

People affected by socio-economic disadvantage and unequal outcomes

Businesses may increase treatment costs to recoup the licensing fees

Areas affected by socio-economic disadvantage

N/A

A Denbighshire of cohesive communities

Overall Impact

Neutral

Justification for impact

No impact as this proposal relate to setting of fees and delegating of powers

Further actions required

N/A

Positive impacts identified:

Safe communities and individuals

N/A

Community participation and resilience

N/A

The attractiveness of the area

N/A

Connected communities

N/A

Rural resilience

N/A

Negative impacts identified:

Safe communities and individuals

N/A

Community participation and resilience

N/A

The attractiveness of the area

N/A

Connected communities

N/A

Rural resilience

N/A

A Denbighshire of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language

Overall Impact

Neutral

Justification for impact

Welsh Language Standards will be adhered to when implementing the new licensing scheme through bilingual communication with businesses and practitioners.

Further actions required

N/A

Positive impacts identified:

People using Welsh

Document produced for the scheme will be available bilingually.

Promoting the Welsh language

Document produced for the scheme will be available bilingually.

Culture and heritage

N/A

Negative impacts identified:

People using Welsh

N/A

Promoting the Welsh language

N/A

Culture and heritage

N/A

A globally responsible Denbighshire

Overall Impact

Neutral

Justification for impact

No impact as this proposal relate to setting of fees and delegating of powers

Further actions required

N/A

Positive impacts identified:

Local, national, international supply chains

N/A

Human rights

N/A

Broader service provision in the local area or the region

N/A

Reducing climate change

N/A

Negative impacts identified:

Local, national, international supply chains

N/A

Human rights

N/A

Broader service provision in the local area or the region

N/A

Reducing climate change

N/A