

Aberdeenshire Council

Integrated Impact Assessment

Budget Savings 2026/27 - School Catering: Dynamic Pricing

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1. Overview

This document has been generated from information entered into the Integrated Impact Assessment system.

All products excluding Main Meals and Daily Deal, due to FSM (Free School Meals) entitlement, would be subject to market pressures and priced accordingly without coming to committee. This is the same model used in retail and restaurants so all products excluding the Main Meals and Daily Deal, soup and salads- due to FSM entitlement, would be subject to market pressures and priced accordingly. Some products will go up in price if the market dictates it but likewise some may actually reduce. Pupils will still be able to get a 2 course meal for the same price they currently pay. There is no budget saving per say but this will allow income generation with an estimate increase to revenue by 50k

During screening 1 of 12 questions indicated that detailed assessments were required, the screening questions and their answers are listed in the next section. This led to 1 out of 5 detailed impact assessments being completed. The assessments required are:

- Equalities and Fairer Scotland Duty

In total there are 0 positive impacts as part of this activity. There are 0 negative impacts, all impacts have been mitigated.

A detailed action plan with 0 points has been provided.

This assessment has been approved by annemarie.daviesmacleod@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

The remainder of this document sets out the details of all completed impact assessments.

2. Screening

Could your activity / proposal / policy cause an impact in one (or more) of the identified town centres?	No
Would this activity / proposal / policy have consequences for the health and wellbeing of the population in the affected communities?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have the potential to affect greenhouse gas emissions (CO2e) in the Council or community and / or the procurement, use or disposal of physical resources?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have the potential to affect the resilience to extreme weather events and / or a changing climate of Aberdeenshire Council or community?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have the potential to affect the environment, wildlife or biodiversity?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have an impact on people and / or groups with protected characteristics?	No
Is this activity / proposal / policy of strategic importance for the council?	No
Does this activity / proposal / policy impact on inequality of outcome?	No
Does this activity / proposal / policy have an impact on children / young people's rights?	No
Does this activity / proposal / policy have an impact on children / young people's wellbeing?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy relate to budget proposals?	Yes
Does this activity / proposal / policy impact on consumers of Council services?	No

3. Impact Assessments

Children's Rights and Wellbeing	Not Required
Climate Change and Sustainability	Not Required
Equalities and Fairer Scotland Duty	No Negative Impacts Identified
Health Inequalities	Not Required
Town Centre's First	Not Required

4. Equalities and Fairer Scotland Duty Impact Assessment

4.1. Protected Groups

Indicator	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Unknown
Age (Younger)		Yes		
Age (Older)		Yes		
Disability		Yes		
Race		Yes		
Religion or Belief		Yes		
Sex		Yes		
Pregnancy and Maternity		Yes		
Sexual Orientation		Yes		
Gender Reassignment		Yes		
Marriage or Civil Partnership		Yes		

4.2. Socio-economic Groups

Indicator	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Unknown
Low income		Yes		
Low wealth		Yes		
Material deprivation		Yes		
Area deprivation		Yes		
Socioeconomic background		Yes		

4.3. Evidence

Type	Source	It says?	It Means?
External Data	External price increase for none core items such as drinks and crisps	This is an across the board price increases that all retailers are effected by and raise prices accordingly. School catering will do the same for none produced onsite food.	Price increases for grab and go and impulse buys

4.4. Engagement with affected groups

Annual engagement with parents and pupils gathering information re service user experience and perspectives on service food quality/choice. Engagement with pupil groups to understand pupil priorities and barriers to uptake. Engagement with pupil groups to look at menu development.

4.5. Ensuring engagement with protected groups

All service users can contribute through annual survey

4.6. Evidence of engagement

Annual questionnaire outputs

4.7. Overall Outcome

No Negative Impacts Identified.

This is an increase to price for non core products sold in Academies in line with external price increases. Pupils entitled to FSM continue to receive full entitlement. Prices of core meals remains unchanged.

4.8. Improving Relations

Not applicable

4.9. Opportunities of Equality

Not applicable