**Appraisal of an HIA**

This template can be used to evaluate a completed HIA, based on the HIA report that you receive back from the commission.

The project team should hold a debrief meeting to consider these questions and agree what elements of the HIA were done well and where there could be scope for improvement.

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| **Title and main authors of HIA** |  |
| **Date of discussion** |  |
| **Names of those present** |  |

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| **Questions to consider** | **Yes/No/Unsure** | **Comments** |
| Was the HIA done prospectively, before implementation of the proposal? |  |  |
| Were the aims and the scope of the HIA clearly defined in the report? |  |  |
| Was the HIA conducted from an impartial stance, rather than a predetermined position on the proposal? |  |  |
| Did the assessors use a systematic way to identify potential health impacts? |  |  |
| Were relevant stakeholders engaged appropriately? |  |  |
| Does the HIA include a profile of health, health determinants and susceptible populations in the potentially affected communities? |  |  |
| Are the methods and sources of evidence clearly stated and appropriate to the assessment questions? |  |  |
| Does the HIA clearly present and characterise the health impacts, including pathways and affected populations for each? |  |  |
| Does the HIA highlight differential impacts and implications for health inequalities? |  |  |
| Are the impacts clearly supported by the evidence presented? |  |  |
| Do the recommendations flow from the assessment of impacts? |  |  |
| Are the recommendations feasible, clearly specified and do they define who should implement them? |  |  |
| If a Health Management Plan is included, are the actions SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, resources, time-bound)? |  |  |
| Is the report logically structured and clearly written? |  |  |
| Have the recommendations been accepted and implemented? |  |  |
| Any other comments? |  |  |

**Overall assessment**

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| Areas of good practice |  |
| Suggested improvements for future HIAs |  |