

**FIREARMS (AMENDMENT)
(NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2005**

S.I. 2005 1966

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

ANTICIPATED IMPACT OF THE PROPOSAL

Equality

Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 requires public authorities in carrying out their functions to have due regard to the promotion of opportunity in the nine categories set out in the Act. A formal impact assessment was not carried out under section 75 as a screening exercise indicated no evidence of adverse or differential impact within any of the nine categories. Neither was any issue raised by any group or individual during the 12-week consultation period.