

**Appendix 3 – Carbon Impact Assessment**

Will the decision/proposal impact...	Impact	If an impact or potential impacts are identified			
		Describe impacts or potential impacts on emissions from the Council and its contractors.	Describe impact or potential impacts on emissions across Rotherham as a whole.	Describe any measures to mitigate emission impacts	Outline any monitoring of emission impacts that will be carried out
Emissions from non-domestic buildings?	No Impact on Emissions	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Emissions from transport?	No Impact on Emissions	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Emissions from waste, or the quantity of waste itself?	No Impact on Emissions	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Emissions from housing and domestic buildings?	Reduce Emissions	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Emissions from construction and/or development?	No Impact on Emissions	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Carbon capture (e.g. through trees)?	No Impact on Emissions	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Identify any emission impacts associated with this decision that have not been covered by the above fields:

This is an Interim Policy Statement introducing local eligibility criteria to a nationally prescribed policy for the delivery of First Homes as an Affordable Housing Product, capable of satisfying Policy CS7 Housing Mix and Affordability of the adopted Local Plan. In itself it has no implications for reducing carbon impact.

The willingness of developers to work towards zero carbon developments is a key driver to change and future government legislation will effectively regulate development on site to be zero carbon. However, without legislation, the Council can promote best practice sustainable construction techniques through its Local Plan and Supplementary Planning Documents but cannot insist on such development.

There is a significant demand for new homes in the borough and the Council is committed to determining planning applications in accordance with local plan policy as expeditiously as it can.

Please provide a summary of all impacts and mitigation/monitoring measures:

The Interim Policy Statement requires local eligibility criteria to be attached to delivering First Homes national policy requirement. There are no wider impacts on reducing the carbon footprint of development from the approval of this criteria. Other policies of the Local Plan promote higher sustainable construction standards; building climate resilient dwellings; minimising impacts of carbon emissions harmful to local air quality, the natural environment and health.

#### Supporting information:

Completed by:  
(Name, title, and service area/directorate).

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Please outline any research, data, or information used to complete this [form].

Relevant research/data used to inform this assessment

1. National Planning Policy Framework (2021)
2. National Planning Practice Guidance 2022
3. Rotherham Local Plan Core Strategy (2014)
4. Rotherham Local Plan Sites and Policies Document (2018)

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If quantities of emissions are relevant to and have been used in this form please identify which conversion factors have been used to quantify impacts.	N/A
Tracking [to be completed by Policy Support / Climate Champions]	Sam Blakeborough, Policy Officer, PPI, ACEX Andy Duncan, Planning Policy Manager and Climate Champion, Built Environment – Planning