

Appendix 4 – Aids and Adaptation Assistance Policy – 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
Emissions from transport?	impact on emissions (decrease)	The Policy introduces new discretionary grants which has the potential to reduce the number of officer visits as part of the proposed changes to the financial assessments process. This in turn will help to reduce travel for officers who use their own transport to carry out home visits.	N/A		To monitor the decrease in officer home visits which will support the decrease in emissions from personal travelling using officers own transport
Emissions from waste, or the quantity of waste itself?	impact on emissions (decrease)	The Policy will offer a range of assistance to support people to live independently and safely in their homes. One of which is making better use of council stock which may provide a more cost-effective solution, it will also include making best		Feed into the Housing allocation Policy review to ensure that Aids and Adaptations Assistance Policy review recommendations are considered including an accessible rehousing register and potentially direct lettings.	Monitor number of people rehoused as an alternative solution to complex adaptations as part of the annual policy review. This will include bet use of existing adapted council stock.

		<p>use of stock which is accessible and previously adapted. This objective will be supported by the review of the Council Housing Allocations Policy in 2024-25. This in turn will reduce the number of properties requiring extensive adaptations, helping to reduce the removal of installed adaptations and providing best value.</p> <p>The Contractor partners promote and support the Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council's Minimum Standards Charter. They have committed to protecting the environment, minimising waste and energy consumption. It is mandatory that they will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eliminate unnecessary waste by adopting the "reduce, reuse, recycle" philosophy		<p>Procurement of contractors considers social value in terms of reducing Carbon emissions and commitment to the Council's Minimum Standards Charter.</p>	
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Emissions from housing and domestic buildings?	potential impact (unknown)	None	<p>The Policy increases the range of assistance to support people to apply for disabled facilities grants.</p> <p>Due to some of the aids and adaptations being installed (e.g., electrical products) potentially may be an increase in use of energy from domestic buildings. With the installation of energy efficient products, it is unlikely the impact on carbon emissions will be significant.</p> <p>Example - All of the electric shower installations are now energy efficient.</p>	Any future refurbishment by the Council Housing Service will use technologies that have lower carbon emissions, where it is cost effective and practicable.	Contract performance management meetings
Emissions from construction and/or development?	impact on emissions (decrease)	The Policy strengthens integrated working to ensure that recommendations are necessary and appropriate. The Policy promotes making best use of council stock and provides assistance for relocation where it is deemed more appropriate	None	Effective implementation plan of the Policy to ensure that assistance available is understood by everyone.	Monitor number of complex adaptations works e.g. number of extensions

		<p>and cost effective to move to a different property rather than carry out extensive building works to adapt a property where alternative solutions provide the most cost-effective solution.</p> <p>Where contractual work is deemed necessary and appropriate, contractors will adhere to the Councils minimum standards.</p>		<p>The use of modern methods of construction will be considered for works where value for money can be demonstrated as well as carbon reduction.</p>	<p>Contract performance meetings</p>
Carbon capture (e.g. through trees)?	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

N/A

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

Reduction of carbon emissions and working towards net zero targets is one of the five themes of the Council Plan. The Policy will ensure that it encompasses plans for the reduction of emissions. This will be done by implementing monitoring measures and gathering intelligence, such as monitoring millage of staff members, monitoring work throughput, gathering intelligence on products used, monitoring completed works to ensure that modern methods of construction have been considered.

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Please outline any research, data, or information used to complete this [form].	No relevant data or research used.
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.	No relevant data or research used.
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