

## 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
<b>Emissions from non-domestic buildings?</b>	N/A				
<b>Emissions from transport?</b>	Impact Unknown  Potential Impact.	The potential increase of temporary accommodation is likely to increase the need for an increase in staff travel through the use of a vehicle, travelling throughout the Borough when delivering services.		To alleviate any impact on emissions through transport the following considerations will be given:  Staff travel - Effective planning, and geographical casework to minimise unnecessary travel.  Use of digital/ customers services where appropriate to reduce the need for staff and customers having to use transport to travel into the council office where it can be avoided and considered unnecessary.	Review of the service delivery and working practices  Officer travel is included with the Council's Net Zero 2030 greenhouse gas emissions accounting and is monitored by the council's Climate Change team.
<b>Emissions from waste, or the quantity of waste itself?</b>	Impact Unknown  Potential Impact.		The potential increase of temporary accommodation may increase the use of furniture and whitegoods that the Council use to furnish the accommodation.	Ensure the use of recycling to minimise waste sent to landfills.  Regular checks, e.g. PAT testing on electrical goods to ensure safe and meet health and safety standards for the next resident rather than	Monitoring of Health and Safety Checks to ensure temporary accommodation meets H & S regulations.  Budgetary monitoring of white goods and other electrical items.

			<p>The potential increase of temporary accommodation to meet demand may increase the number of resident's waste.</p>	<p>disposing and replacing items.</p> <p>Supply chain will be considered when using external suppliers, using local suppliers.</p> <p>Procurement of services and goods - Contractors will reduce emissions and environmental impact where possible.</p> <p>Although more households may have access to temporary accommodation this may not necessarily mean more people living in the Borough, they are likely to create a small increase in the overall volume of waste created.</p> <p>Residents will be supported to understand their responsibility to dispose of waste appropriately including the use of recycling bins.</p>	<p>This will be monitored through the procurement process.</p> <p>Resident welcome pack will provide support and information</p>
<p><b>Emissions from housing and domestic buildings?</b></p>	<p>Impact Unknown Potential Impact.</p>		<p>Increasing the temporary accommodation portfolio may increase the use of emissions from the heating, lighting and powering of the properties, this would be dependant if building/properties have been in use prior to being used for residential temporary housing.</p>	<p>Increase of temporary accommodation may not necessarily mean more people heating, lighting and powering of the properties used for temporary accommodation, as this will be dependant on the previous use of the properties which may have</p>	<p>It is not possible to monitor emissions from temporary accommodation.</p> <p>The council monitor's EPC ratings of its own housing stock. Temporary accommodation units</p>

				<p>been occupied by residents prior to being used for temporary accommodation.</p> <p>Service standards for council stock will meet the decent Homes Standards and provide effective heating systems. Temporary accommodation, council owned are included within the council's goal to have all council homes at EPC band C by 2030.</p> <p>Residents will be given information relating to making emergency efficiencies.</p>	<p>under HRA are included within the overall monitoring of EPC</p>
<b>Emissions from construction and/or development?</b>	<p>Impact Unknown</p> <p>Potential Impact.</p>		<p>Increasing the temporary accommodation portfolio may utilise the opportunity for new developments.</p> <p>The emissions produced in the short term through construction and materials used will impact on Borough wide emissions.</p>	<p>The use of modern methods of construction will be considered for all new schemes, where value for money can be demonstrated as well as carbon reduction.</p> <p>For refurbishment / retrofit schemes, emissions from the construction and refurbishment of properties could be offset by the reduction in carbon emissions from newly installed components having lower or zero carbon emissions.</p>	<p>Housing Strategy for 2022- 2025 agreed by Cabinet in July 2022 includes the Green Housing Strategy to reduce energy costs and improve efficiency of homes.</p> <p>Outcomes of the strategies are monitored and reported through internal governance.</p>
<b>Carbon capture (e.g. through trees)?</b>	N/A				

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

None

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

The Temporary Accommodation Placement Policy will have a limited impact on carbon emissions. However, where there is a need to increase temporary accommodation, either through the Housings Acquisition Policy or new development opportunities there is a potential but unknown at this stage on the likely impact on emissions. The increase of temporary accommodation will be evidence led, through data and trends considered along with any known external factors and anecdotal evidence such as the difficulties faced in securing suitable temporary accommodation. Mitigations on energy efficiency includes:

- Staff travel - Effective planning, and geographical casework to minimise unnecessary travel. Use of digital/ customers services where appropriate to reduce unnecessary travel.
- Temporary accommodation, council owned stock is included within the council's goal to have all council homes at EPC band C by 2030, the Council will invest in properties to ensure they meet energy efficiency standards.
- Residents will be supported to understand their responsibility to dispose of waste appropriately including the use of recycling bins and making energy efficiencies in the home.
- Any new temporary accommodation developments will ensure the use of modern methods of construction will be considered for all new schemes, where value for money can be demonstrated as well as carbon reduction.

In addition to the mitigations detailed above there will be a focus on employee engagement in regard engaging with staff teams on sustainability practices and encouraging them to contribute towards reducing emissions in the workplace.

**Supporting information:**

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<b>Please outline any research, data, or information used to complete this [form].</b>	
<b>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.</b>	
<b>Tracking [to be completed by Policy Support / Climate Champions]</b>	Tracking reference: CIA304 Katie Rockett, Climate Change Officer