

Climate Impact Assessment, Appendix 5 , Family Hubs progress update and extension

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 the Borough 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?	Unknown	Higher levels of co-location and delivery in Family Hubs buildings across the network will mean a greater usage of utilities and IT and will result in increased emissions from non-domestic buildings.		Co-location of partners across the network will result consolidation of services into fewer, more energy-efficient hubs, reducing overall emissions.	Greenhouse gas emission from non-domestic buildings in the Council's energy procurement portfolio are monitored and reported in NZ30 carbon accounts.
Emissions from transport?	Unknown	Extension of the health visitor scheme to include an additional 3-4 month visit is likely to increase emissions. Similarly the inclusion of events programme around breastfeeding etc is likely to increase this further.	<p>Delivering locality-based services means that children and families access support within their communities. This reduces travel (by children and families and locality based staff) and may result in lower emissions than centrally based services.</p> <p>Delivery of online and digital interventions included in the programme will result in reduced travel-related emissions.</p>	Sites are located within communities and accessible of public transport to support access for families and mitigate emission impacts.	

Emissions from waste, or the quantity of waste itself?	Increase	Expansion of services and continued staffing provision is likely to slightly increase the amount of waste produced.			The Council's waste emissions are monitored annually.
Emissions from housing and domestic buildings?	None				
Emissions from construction and/or development?	None				
Carbon capture (e.g. through trees)?	None				

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

It is not possible to properly assess the carbon implications of this scheme with the information available as there are several elements which could have positive impacts on carbon emissions, for example the localisation of services reducing need for resident transport and a number which may increase. It's likely that any overall impacts are therefore negligible.

Will the proposal affect Council services' resilience to climate change, or the capacity of people living in the Borough to adapt to climate change?

A better start in life is likely to improve the resilience of future communities by improving overall levels of physical and mental health. More resilient communities are likely to be less vulnerable to the impacts of climate change and as such this scheme is likely to improve the adaptive capacity of the communities throughout Rotherham.

Provide a summary of all impacts and mitigation/monitoring measures:

The Family Hubs and Start for Life Programme aims to provide families with the integrated support they need to care for their children from conception, throughout the early years, and into the start of adulthood. All families need support at times and our ambition is for every family to receive the right support, at the right time, in an easy way. The programme will ensure that families can access services which are local to them, helping to identify and respond to issues before they develop into more complex problems.

The Family Hubs and Start for Life Programme involves the development and enhancement of physical spaces, service delivery models, and workforce practices. This assessment considers the potential carbon impacts associated with the implementation of the programme in Rotherham.

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Please outline any research, data or information used to complete this Climate Impact Assessment.

N/A

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

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