

Climate Impact Assessment, Appendix 3, Crisis and Resilience Fund (CRF)

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?	None				
Emissions from transport?	None				
Emissions from waste, or the quantity of waste itself?	Increase	Provision of food hampers and parcels with wider household essentials is a potential source of household waste.		Decrease in funding for wider household essentials from £100,000 to £20,000 in response to reduced levels of need reported by VCS partners mitigates the risk of wasteful provision	
Emissions from housing and domestic buildings?	Increase	Crisis and Resilience funding will continue to support households with their energy costs via the Crisis Support Fund		Previous rounds of Energy Crisis Support have not resulted in referrals to the Council's Community Energy team, which provides energy advice and supports households to apply for energy saving grants – with the effect that households may have received hundreds of pounds to meet their	Relevant metrics may include (i) the number of households receiving Energy Crisis Support, (ii) the number of referrals to the Community Energy team, (iii) the number of referrals to the Community Energy team which result in further advice or support and (iv) any change in households' EPC rating,

				<p>immediate energy costs, without any help to manage those costs (and carbon emissions) in the longer term.</p> <p>To support the objectives of the Crisis and Resilience Fund, energy crisis and other forms of support should result in a referral to the Community Energy team, on the principle of <i>no wrong door</i>.</p>	where support received includes material improvements to homes' energy efficiency.
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:

Actions considered to improve data management, including the use of shared platforms may have carbon impacts from digital services, such as those arising from data centres' energy and cooling demands. Aligning the Council's and other actors' data capture, monitoring and reporting could mitigate such impacts by avoiding duplicated effort.

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

While there are no direct impacts of CRF implementation on climate change adaptation, many of the outcomes in respect of resilience building may improve local residents' resilience more generally and by extension could help to improve resilience to climate change.

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

Administration of the CRF does not have any significant climate impact. Where support involves material help with food and wider household essentials, lessons learned from the Council's previous implementation of the Household Support Fund will tailor support to meet actual local need and mitigate any risk of wasteful provision. To fulfil the principle of *no wrong door*, Energy Crisis and other forms of Crisis and Resilience support will result in referrals to the Council's Community Energy team, so that help with households' immediate energy costs may also improve their resilience to energy crises in the longer term – and so cut carbon emissions, from their domestic energy use.

Supporting information:

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Please outline any research, data or information used to complete this Climate Impact Assessment.	The Crisis and Resilience Fund: Guidance for local authorities in England (1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029)
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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