

Climate Impact Assessment, Appendix 3 Neighbourhood Leadership Strategy

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	None	NA	NA	None
Emissions from transport?	Decrease	None	A number of ward priorities and plans have specific references to active travel projects that would positively contribute to reduce emissions from transport	N/A	Enhanced monitoring of the impact associated with this strategy and the accompanying Thriving Neighbourhoods Strategy will provide more localised consideration of local transport projects
Emissions from waste, or the quantity of waste itself?	Unknown	None	As Neighbourhood Leaders, ward councillors will be supported to bring residents closer to local services. In due course, this may include projects and new practices which enable residents and communities to think about the waste they produce and engagement in projects which support a more sustainable Rotherham.	NA	As and when projects develop, enhanced local monitoring and collaboration with others services will enable an understanding.

Emissions from housing and domestic buildings?	None	NA	None	NA	None
Emissions from construction and/or development?	None	NA	Given the size of ward budgets it is unlikely that this strategy specifically will support any development.	NA	None
Carbon capture (e.g. through trees)?	Unknown	None	A number of ward priorities and plans have specific references to tree planting and improving air quality projects that would assist with carbon capture.	N/A	Enhanced monitoring of the impact associated with this strategy and the accompanying Thriving Neighbourhoods Strategy will provide more localised consideration of carbon capture.
Identify any emissions impacts associated with this decision which have not been covered by the above fields:					
None					

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

The Neighbourhood Leadership Strategy will not pose any risk to Rotherham's plans in relation to climate crisis. The proposed activities offer an opportunity for enhanced dialogue on climate and nature and possible innovation in support of 'net -zero neighbourhood' objectives.

Neighbourhood Leadership and the broader ambition of bring residents closer to services and decision making could potentially have wide ranging benefits in supporting resilience and adaptation. Through collaboration, ward councillors and Neighbourhood Coordinators can play an active role in mitigating the disproportionality of climate impact, supporting diverse groups and those with protected characteristics to overcome impacts increased heatwave events.

The strategy promotes enhanced communication which can be used both to promote new behaviours as well as to support residents and communities in the event of extreme heat events. Ward councillors can be supported to better understand impacts of climate within their locality which can in turn, ensure that this is given greater prominence in their development of ward plans and allocation of ward budgets.

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

Aside from the carbon associated with publishing and storing the strategy, there will be no climate impact. Any impact from local projects supported through ward budgets will be limited given the funding available and the types of projects which tend to be delivered.

It is not considered necessary to plan any specific mitigation. Should the scale of projects grow, this may need to be revisited on a case by case basis.

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

NA

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.

NA

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