

Climate Impact Assessment, Appendix 4, ASC Strategy Update

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?	Increase	Potential emissions from using site facilities at consultation drop in venues. This will depend on how the venue is being utilised already. Sites already in use will have a lower carbon impact than those which are being opened specifically. In any case, the impact will likely be small.	No additional impacts.	Mindful consumption Tagging onto existing events/bookings.	All emissions from operational buildings are monitored and reported publicly.
Emissions from transport?	Increase	Emissions from vehicle mileage incurred by individuals (staff and partners) attending public consultations/drop ins.	Emissions from vehicle mileage incurred by individuals attending public consultations/drop ins.	Offer/attend drop ins in different areas to offer more local options and minimise visit travel distances.	Emissions associated with Council staff mileage and travel are captured annually.
Emissions from waste, or the quantity of waste itself?	Increase	Potential emissions from leaflets and resources handed to residents e.g., due to printing and if littered.	As per Council impact.	Encouraging individuals to complete online survey via QR code rather than paper copy. Only printing and distributing leaflets as required.	Comparing number of online responses to paper responses.
Emissions from housing and domestic buildings?	None				

Emissions from construction and/or development?	None				
Carbon capture (e.g. through trees)?	Unknown				

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

Reducing carbon emissions and working towards net zero targets, is part of the One Council theme in the Council Plan 2025-30 under the section 'Climate Change'. Actions under this theme include but are not limited to cutting down on activities that waste energy and resources; using the Council's influence to encourage partners, local businesses, anchor organisations, and our residents to be mindful of their environmental impact and to be more sustainable.

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

There is no direct impact on resilience to climate change as a result of this decision.

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

The strategy's main climate impacts stem from increased transport emissions due to travel to consultation events, and potential waste from printed materials. To mitigate these, the Council plans to host events locally to reduce travel distances, car share and promote digital engagement through QR codes and e-bulletins, limiting printed resources to essential use.

Use of non-domestic buildings for consultations may contribute to emissions, though this is uncertain. Mitigation includes aligning with existing bookings and mindful resource use.

No impacts have been identified in relation to housing, construction, or carbon capture, and the strategy does not affect climate resilience or adaptation capacity. Overall, the proposal supports the Council's broader climate goals under the "One Council" theme, encouraging sustainable practices across the Borough.

--

Supporting information:	
Climate Impact Assessment Author	Leah Sibley Programme Development Officer Service Improvement and Governance Adult Care, Housing and Public Health
Please outline any research, data or information used to complete this Climate Impact Assessment.	Council Plan 2025-30
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.	
Validation	Tracking Reference: CIA 642 Louise Preston Climate Change Manager