

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?	Decrease	Council suppliers can offer corporate travel schemes available to employees, e.g. subsidised public transport, subsidised cycling schemes, and storage. Social value is promoting the local buying of goods and services by both the Council and local partners, including contractors, thereby contributing to reduced emissions through shorter travel distances for contractors. Social Value may encourage contractors to operate low or zero			Environmental commitments are monitored through the Social Value Portal where suppliers have committed to relevant environmental TOMs as part of the Social Value procurement process. Monitoring is therefore limited to contracts where environmental commitments have been voluntarily offered and agreed and does not provide a comprehensive measure of climate impacts arising from all Social Value activity.

		emissions vehicles with the aim of emissions reduction in the borough.			
Emissions from waste, or the quantity of waste itself?	Decrease	The Council may encourage suppliers to increase workplace recycling and reducing the use of plastics, these efforts will lead to reducing emissions from waste.			Environmental commitments are monitored through the Social Value Portal where suppliers have committed to relevant environmental TOMs as part of the Social Value procurement process. Monitoring is therefore limited to contracts where environmental commitments have been voluntarily offered and agreed and does not provide a comprehensive measure of climate impacts arising from all Social Value activity.
Emissions from housing and domestic buildings?	None				
Emissions from construction and/or development?	Decrease	One of the aims of social value is to reduce emissions. The Social Value key actions and developments will help businesses and			Savings on CO2 emissions on contract achieved through decarbonisation is being monitored.

		partners understand how they can support the 2040 Net Zero target for Rotherham.			
Carbon capture (e.g. through trees)?	None				

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

Following national changes to the TOMs system in 2024, NT31 (tonnes of CO2 emissions saved on a contract) has been removed (this was the only environmental measure with a proxy value). Alternative measures for NT31 are currently in development.

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.

Also, Social Value implementation is signposting businesses to the region-wide Low Carbon project for engagement, with the purpose of reducing emissions in the borough and in the region

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 the current measures on climate change adaptation, many of the outcomes related to employment and supporting VCSEs could help 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:

The Social Value Policy has the potential to contribute positively to the Council's climate objectives by encouraging suppliers and partners to consider environmental impacts alongside social and economic outcomes. However, environmental measures within the national TOMs framework currently have limited financial proxy values, and consequently environmental commitments are not consistently offered or monitored across all procurements.

Potential positive impacts include:

- Upskilling local suppliers in procurement and strengthening local supply chains, which may reduce emissions associated with travel and transportation.
- Opportunities for suppliers to commit to environmental TOMs, including sustainable procurement practices and supply chain carbon reduction measures.
- Signposting businesses to regional low-carbon support programmes, helping them identify opportunities to reduce emissions and improve environmental performance.
- Encouraging suppliers to consider initiatives such as sustainable travel schemes, workplace recycling, reduction of single-use plastics and other carbon reduction activities where appropriate.

Supporting information:

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Please outline any research, data or information used to complete this Climate Impact Assessment.	Social Value commitments and delivery table Social Value Policy Social Value Annual Report
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
Validation	Tracking Reference: CIA 687 Louise Preston Climate Change Manager