

Appendix 4 – Aids and Adaptation Policy Review – Carbon Impact Assessment

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 Rotherham 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?	No impact	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Emissions from transport?	Impact unknown	<p>The policy will be increasing the digital options so customers can better self-serve. This in turn will decrease the number of visits and paperwork needed, this will reduce the impact of emissions from transport as there will be fewer visits in person.</p> <p>As part of the policy review, we will be reviewing whether we should financially means test Council tenants to see if they can make a contribution towards adaptations, this is currently done for those within the private sector. Because of this, there may be some Council tenants who do not want work</p>	None	Contractors and service will be consulted on the best method of delivery to minimise emissions, this could include planning work geographically to minimise transport emissions.	<p>Monitoring of total mileage from service to ascertain if this has been reduced or increased, which will give an indication on the impact of transport emissions.</p> <p>If the relaxation of financial means testing for private customers or the implementation of means testing for Council customers is introduced, then the service will need to effectively monitor work throughput to identify work increase or decrease to ascertain the impact of transport emissions.</p>

		<p>done as they have got to make a financial contribution, which will reduce the number of adaptations and in turn, the transportation of materials and face-to-face visits by officers, which will reduce the emissions impact from transport.</p> <p>In addition, as part of the policy review, we will be reviewing if there can be a relaxation of financial means testing private sector customers for certain adaptations. Due to this, there may be additional works completed as some works may be fully covered and there is no risk of customers declining to move forward due to needing to contribute. This could result in more emissions from transport due to more works being carried out by our contractors.</p>			
Emissions from waste, or the quantity of waste itself?	Decreases emissions	The Contractor partners promote and support the Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council's Minimum Standards Charter. They have		N/A	Monitor the number of products that have been recycled or repurposed to be re-used.

		<p>committed to protecting the environment, minimising waste and energy consumption. It is mandatory that they will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eliminate unnecessary waste by adopting the “reduce, reuse, recycle” philosophy <p>Some aids and adaptations are recyclable once removed. Other products are able to be repurposed and provided to a new customer, thus reducing the quantity of waste.</p>			
Emissions from housing and domestic buildings?	Potential Increase	None	Due to some of the aids and adaptations being installed (e.g., electrical products) there will be an increase in energy related carbon emissions from domestic buildings but would not be significantly different to current domestic emissions. This would be subject to the number of aids and adaptations installed.	<p>The refresh of the Housing Strategy for 2022-25 aims to reduce energy costs and improve efficiency of homes and ensure that residents live in energy efficient homes.</p> <p>Any future refurbishment by the Council Housing Service will use technologies that have lower carbon emissions, where cost effective and practicable.</p>	Monitor the number of aids and adaptations installations that could potentially increase emission and gather intelligence on products provided/works done to ensure that energy efficient products are used, or the works have been completed with

			All of the shower installations are now energy efficient.		energy efficiency in mind.
Emissions from construction and/or development?	Impact unknown	<p>Construction and planned installation of products could increase emissions. However, this is dependent on the amount of works ordered to be carried out.</p> <p>However, the Contractors partners promote and support the Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council's Minimum Standards Charter. They have committed to protecting the environment, minimising waste and energy consumption. It is mandatory that they will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eliminate unnecessary waste by adopting the "reduce, reuse, recycle" philosophy • Be a good neighbour, minimise negative local impacts (noise, air quality), improve 	None	The use of modern methods of construction will be considered for works where value for money can be demonstrated as well as carbon reduction.	Monitor the number of orders being carried out and on works being completed to ensure that they are done using modern methods of construction.

		<p>green areas (e.g., biodiversity, visual attractiveness)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce carbon footprint – be aware of main impacts on carbon emissions including the indirect carbon used in manufacturing processes and the direct impact of operations and logistics 			
Carbon capture (e.g. through trees)?	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

N/A

Please provide a summary of all impacts and mitigation/monitoring measures:

Reduction of carbon emissions and working towards net zero targets is one of the five themes of the Council Plan. The Policy will ensure that it encompasses plans for the reduction of emissions. This will be done by implementing monitoring measures and gathering intelligence, such as monitoring millage of staff members, monitoring work throughput, gathering intelligence on products used, monitoring completed works to ensure that modern methods of construction have been considered.

Supporting information:	
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Please outline any research, data, or information used to complete this [form].	No relevant data or research used.
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.	No relevant data or research used.
Tracking [to be completed by Policy Support / Climate Champions]	