

## Environmental Sustainability Full Impact Assessment

### Impact Assessment Id: #138

#### 1.0 Screening Information

##### Project Name

Shaping an Effective Market - Replacement Care

##### Name of Project Sponsor

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##### Name of Project Manager

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##### Name of Project Lead

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##### Please give a brief description of the project

The purpose is to map out the Replacement care, also known as "respite" from caring or "short breaks" current model including reviewing existing policies, practice procedures to determine the best value offer. Replacement Care is the support provided to an individual due to a carer having a break from their usual caring role. Replacement care usually involves overnight care for one or more nights, but this is not the only way it can be provided, which can be planned breaks or short notice in emergency situations.

##### Data Protection screening result

Will require a full impact assessment

##### Equality and Public Health screening result

Will require a full impact assessment

##### Environmental Sustainability screening result

Will require a full impact assessment

#### 1.1 Background and Purpose

##### Background and Purpose of Project?

To support your answer to this question, you can upload a copy of the project's Business Case or similar document.

The purpose of the Replacement Care project is to consider how the council may continue to meet assessed eligible need in the most efficient and cost-effective way that promotes independence, social inclusion and positive outcomes for individual carer's

##### Upload Business Case or Support documents

No files uploaded

##### Project Outputs

Briefly summarise the activities needed to achieve the project outcomes.

Review SPOT purchases for emergency placements to look at current/future demand

Review current commissioned services to ensure these are appropriate and provides equity for all

Review all service areas starting with LD, MH, PD, OP to ensure the service demand can be met

Create a policy/guidance that follows the three conversations approach and that is for all service areas which will help governance

##### Project Outcomes

Briefly summarise what the project will achieve.

To make sure that we make the best use of the money that we have available

To modernise and increase the range of Replacement Care that is available

To make sure that the way people get replacement care is fair and consistent

##### Is the project a new function/service or does it relate to an existing Council function/service?

Existing

##### Was consultation carried out on this project?

No

## 1.2 Responsibility

### Directorate/Organisation

People

### Service Area

Communities

## 1.3 Specifics

### Project Reference (if known)

Not Recorded

### Intended Project Close Date \*

October 2022

## 1.4 Project Part of a Strategic Programme

### Is this project part of a strategic programme?

Yes

### An overarching screening has already been carried out for the following areas:

Data Protection

Equality and Public Health

Environmental Sustainability

### What was the conclusion?

Full assessment required

### Upload previous impact assessment documents if available

No files uploaded

## 2 Greenhouse Gas Emissions

### Could the project result in an increase in GHG emissions (including CO2)? Yes

Please be mindful that the Council has committed to reduce its GHG emissions to zero by 2050 and most projects are likely to have an impact on this target. This should be a key consideration in your project delivery and should be reviewed when completing the assessment.

### Have you undertaken an assessment of the project to know if there will likely be an increase in GHG emissions? No

### 3 Resources

**Will the project result in increased consumption of electricity, gas or other heating fuels? Yes**

e.g. project may require use of additional buildings, lighting and heating in buildings, additional ICT equipment, etc.

**Please explain your answer below:**

Whichever decision is taken then there will be an impact in terms of building energy use (continuing or possibly reducing) and also transport (again continuing or reducing.)

**Will the project reduce energy needs and result in reduced consumption? Yes**

e.g. disposal of WCC property assets

**Will the project require additional water resources leading to an increase in water consumption? No**

e.g. increased use of water through construction processes

**Might there be a decrease in water consumption? No**

e.g. will the project involve water saving measures or initiatives

**Will the project result in the use of other resources, materials or minerals? No**

e.g. use of natural resources such as wood; or use of aggregate minerals?

### 4 Transport

**Will the project result in more people needing to travel? No**

e.g. will there be additional cars on the road

**Have alternative transport modes been considered? Yes**

e.g. could use be made of public transport/walking/cycling etc.

**Please explain your answer below:**

As per every SW assessment public transport/walking/cycling is always considered first. Our aim is to reduce transport costs alongside the Transport project. Currently transport is used for individuals attending replacement care. If anything we will be looking to provide replacement care closer to their home so transport will be the same or reduced.

### 5 Waste

**Is there likely to be an increase in waste as a result of the project? No**

e.g. construction waste, packaging waste etc.

**Have opportunities to prevent, minimise, reuse or recycle waste been identified and considered? No**

e.g. will recycling facilities be available as part of the project

### 6 Wildlife and Biodiversity

**Will there be any negative impacts on the natural environment? No**

e.g. will the project involve removal of green space/trees; have wildlife surveys been considered; result in enhancements to green infrastructure; increased biodiversity opportunities etc.?

**Has a preliminary ecological appraisal been undertaken? No**

**Has there been consideration of statutory assessments? Yes**

e.g. Sustainability Appraisals, Strategic Environmental Assessments and Habitat Regulations Assessment Screening?

N.B. This is a matter of legal compliance - All plans and projects (including planning applications) which are not directly connected with, or necessary for, the conservation management of a habitat site, require consideration of whether the plan or project is likely to have significant effects on that site. This consideration – typically referred to as the 'Habitats Regulations Assessment screening' – should take into account the potential effects both of the plan/project itself and in combination with other plans or projects.

**Please explain your answer below:**

There is no impact on the environment

## 7 Pollution to land/air/water

**Is there a risk of pollution to the local environment? No**

e.g.

- will there be surface water run-off or discharge into local water source?
- will there be any impact on local water quality?
- will any waste water require treatment?
- is there the potential for spillage of chemicals?
- is there the potential for emissions to air from combustion processes resulting in poor air quality?

## 8 Resilience to climate risks

**Could climate risks affect your project? No**

N.B. some projects may be more sensitive to future changes in the climate e.g. hotter and drier summers; milder and wetter winters; increased likelihood of extreme weather events. These climate risks may affect project delivery and should be considered at the early stages of project development.

**Has the impact of extreme weather events on the project been considered? No**

e.g. heat waves and flooding.

**Is there a business/project continuity plan in place to ensure climate risks are minimised? No**

e.g. can you ensure that the project is resilient to climate risks and can continue to deliver on outcomes.

**Could the project exacerbate climate risks? No**

e.g. increase flood risk or worsen temperature extremes in the locality.

**Will the project result in the use of other resources, materials or minerals? No**

e.g. use of natural resources such as wood; or use of aggregate minerals?

## 9 Historic Environment

**Have you checked with the WCC Historic Environment team as to whether there are any impacts on the Historic Environment (negative or positive)?**

**No**

Check every development with the Historic Environment Team at the planning stage of each project. Further assessment may be required depending on the nature and scale of development. There may also be design options that would negate any need for further assessment (and lessen costs), or even opportunities to enhance heritage assets or their setting through the development.

**Does the development have the potential to result in any impacts to the historic environment or opportunities for enhancement?**

**No**

If yes, then further assessment will be required. This could take the form of a watching brief during groundworks if the potential is clearly understood and relatively low, or a more comprehensive desk-based and/or field investigation prior to development.

## 10 Procurement

**Could any procurement associated with the project have a detrimental environmental impact? No**

e.g. procurement of goods from overseas that have to be shipped; use of unsustainable materials or materials that cannot be recycled at the end of their use?

**Is there likely to be increased Greenhouse Gas emissions from products purchased for the project? No**

e.g. carbon emissions from transport and manufacturing

**Will you be able to make use of sustainable products? No**

e.g. recycled, local, ethical etc.

**Have you considered the Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012? No**

All major contracts let by the Council (those of more than £100,000 in total value) will be expected to deliver a meaningful contribution to our vision of Social Value in the county. The Act requires us to consider how the services we commission and procure might improve the economic, social and environmental well-being of the local area.

– please see: [Social Value](#)

## 11 Declaration

**I have confirmed that to the best of my knowledge that the information I have provided is true, complete and accurate**

**I have confirmed that I will make sure that Environmental Sustainability has been and continues to be considered throughout the project life cycle and should circumstances change in the project a further Environmental Sustainability Assessment Screening will be carried out.**