

TRDC Climate and Sustainability Impact Assesment

Score / Colour Code	Impact and Recommendation
Dark green (4)	Strong positive impacts for sustainability. Recommendation to proceed as is with this aspect.
Light green (3)	Some positive impact for sustainability. Recommendation to further enhance this aspect where possible
Yellow (2)	Some possible negative impacts for sustainability. Recommendation to review these aspects and find r
Red (1)	Considerable inconsistency with the council's sustainability objectives. Strong recommendation
Grey (0)	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, bu

Guidance for use
Please answer all questions from the drop-down options in the 'impact' column (C), including 'not applicable' as needed.

Please email your completed copy of the form to
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Key to the colour coding of answers is given at the top of the page.

Name of project/policy/procurement and date		Updated Three Rivers Biodiversity Pol
Brief description (1-2 sentences):		Update to the Three Rivers Biodiversit includes the council's first strengthene

Homes, buildings, infrastructure, equipment and energy				
	Question	Impact (select from list)	Score (-1 to 4)	Justification or mitigation
1	What effect will this project have on overall energy use (electricity or other fuels) e.g. in buildings, appliances or machinery?	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.
2	What effect will this project have on the direct use of fossil fuels such as gas, petrol, diesel, oil?	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.
3	Does this project further maximise the use of existing building space? <i>E.g. co-locating services; bringing under-used space into use; using buildings out-of-hours</i>	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.
4	Will any new building constructed or refurbished be highly energy efficient in use? <i>(e.g. high levels of insulation, low energy demand per sq. m., no servicing with fossil fuels such as gas heating, EPC</i>	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.
5	Does this make use of sustainable materials / unputs in your project? <i>E.g. re-used or recycled construction materials; timber in place of concrete</i>	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.
6	Does this use more sustainable processes in the creation of the project? <i>E.g. modular and off-site construction; use of electrical plant instead of petrol/diesel,</i>	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.
7	Will this increase the supply of renewable energy? <i>e.g. installing solar panels; switching to a renewable energy tariff</i>	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.

18	Is there a plan to reduce waste sent to landfill in manufacture?	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.
19	Is the material used able to be re-used, re-purposed, or recycled at end of its life?	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.
20	Has it taken steps to ensure any food it offers is more sustainable? <i>E.g. less and high-quality (high welfare) meat and dairy; minimises food waste; seasonal produce; locally sourced.</i>	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.
Average Score			#DIV/0!	

Ecology				
Question		Impact	Score (0-4)	Justification or mitigation
21	What effect does this project have on total area of non-amenity green/blue space? (Amenity green space = playing fields, play areas, sporting lakes etc. Non-amenity= e.g. woodland, grassland, wetland,	Some positive impact for sustainability. Recommendation to further enhance this aspect where possible and proceed.	3	Protection and enhancement of the natural world through management plans, improvement projects and BNG.
22	Does the project create more habitat for nature? E.g. native plants, trees, and flowers	Some positive impact for sustainability. Recommendation to further enhance this aspect where possible and proceed.	3	While the policy will not create more habitat the strategies within it will create/enhance habitats.
23	Does it make changes to existing habitats and have a negative impact on nature? <i>E.g. use of pesticides, reduced extent and variety of plants, planting non-native species</i>	Some positive impact for sustainability. Recommendation to further enhance this aspect where possible and proceed.	3	While the policy will not directly impact habitat the strategies within it will create/enhance habitats.
24	Does it help people understand the value of biodiversity, and encourage residents to support it in their private and community spaces?	Strong positive impacts for sustainability. Recommendation to proceed as is with this aspect.	4	Many of the aims within the relevant strategies incorporate increasing engagement and knowledge relating to the natural world.
Average Score			3	

Adaptation				
Question		Impact	Score (0-4)	Justification or mitigation
25	Does any planned project, construction or building use include measures to conserve water?	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.
26	Does anythe project , consider how to sustainably protect people from extreme weather?	Some positive impact for sustainability. Recommendation to further enhance this aspect where possible and proceed.	3	The policy and associated strategies support the ability of nature-based solutions supporting adapatability to changing climate.
27	Has any planned building work or infrastructure considered how to mitigate flood risk? <i>E.g. Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS); de-paving areas; green roofs</i>	Some positive impact for sustainability. Recommendation to further enhance this aspect where possible and proceed.	3	The policy and associated strategies support the ability of nature-based solutions supporting adapatability to changing climate.
28	Does any planned infrastructure or building work increase the overall footprint of hard surfacing? (as opposed to green or permeable surfacing)	Neutral or not applicable. Recommendation to consider how benefits could be achieved in this area, but otherwise proceed.	0	Not applicable to this policy.

29	Has the project considered its own resilience to future extreme heat, flood risk, or water shortage?	Some positive impact for sustainability. Recommendation to further enhance this aspect where possible and proceed.	3	The policy and associated strategies support the ability of nature-based solutions supporting carbon sequestration and adapatability to changing climate.
	Average Score		3.0	
Engagement and Influence				
30	Question	Impact	Score (0-4)	Justification or mitigation
	Does this project raise awareness and understanding of the climate and ecological emergency, and the steps that people can take?	Some positive impact for sustainability. Recommendation to further enhance this aspect where possible and proceed.	3	Many of the aims within the relevant strategies incorporate increasing engagement and knowledge.
	Average Score		3	
	Total Overall Average Score		3.08	

Now assesment is compelete copy and paste box into your business case, committee report. (under environmental implications 6).Whole assesment can be an appendix. Procurement tenders are expected to submit complete report with application.

Climate and Sustainability Impact Assessment Summary	
Homes, buildings, infrastructure, equipment and energy	0.00
Travel	0.00
Goods and Consumption	0.00
Ecology	3.25
Adaptation	3.00
Engagement and Influence	3
Total Overall Average Score	3.1

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