

Initial Climate Change Impact Assessment (Form created August 2021)

The intention of this document is to help the council to gain an initial understanding of the impact of a project or decision on the environment. This document should be completed in consultation with the supporting guidance. Dependent on this initial assessment you may need to go on to complete a full Climate Change Impact Assessment. The final document will be published as part of the decision-making process.

If you have any additional queries, which are not covered by the guidance please email climatechange@northyorks.gov.uk

Title of proposal	Community Infrastructure Levy Spending Protocol and Infrastructure Funding Statement
Brief description of proposal	To consider and agree the strategic Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) spending and proposed changes to the approach to CIL spending. This ensures that CIL serves its purpose of contributing to the delivery of the infrastructure necessary to support development in North Yorkshire. The report also looks to approve and publish the infrastructure funding statement 2023/24.
Directorate	Community Development
Service area	Delivery and Infrastructure, Planning
Lead officer	Tracey Rathmell, Head of Delivery and Infrastructure
Names and roles of other people involved in carrying out the impact assessment	Lizzie Phippard, Infrastructure Investment Officer

The chart below contains the main environmental factors to consider in your initial assessment – choose the appropriate option from the drop-down list for each one.

Remember to think about the following;

- Travel
- Construction
- Data storage
- Use of buildings
- Change of land use
- Opportunities for recycling and reuse

Environmental factor to consider	For the council	For the county	Overall
Greenhouse gas emissions	No effect on emissions	No Effect on emissions	No effect on emissions
Waste	No effect on waste	No effect on waste	No effect on waste
Water use	No effect on water usage	No effect on water usage	No effect on water usage
Pollution (air, land, water, noise, light)	No effect on pollution	No effect on pollution	No effect on pollution
Resilience to adverse weather/climate events (flooding, drought etc)	No effect on resilience	No effect on resilience	No effect on resilience
Ecological effects (biodiversity, loss of habitat etc)	No effect on ecology	No effect on ecology	No effect on ecology
Heritage and landscape	No effect on heritage and landscape	No effect on heritage and landscape	No effect on heritage and landscape

If any of these factors are likely to result in a negative or positive environmental impact then a full climate change impact assessment will be required. It is important that we capture information about both positive and negative impacts to aid the council in calculating its carbon footprint and environmental impact.

Decision (Please tick one option)	Full CCIA not relevant or proportionate:	✓	Continue to full CCIA:	
Reason for decision	<p>This proposal looks to continue to develop a strategic approach to spending for existing and future CIL monies and approve the annual Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS). The IFS is a factual document detailing the spend of S106 and CIL funding over the last financial year and therefore there are no climate change impacts relevant to this.</p> <p>The use of CIL helps provide the supporting infrastructure required by the housing and employment growth identified in the relevant Local Plans. Without this necessary supporting infrastructure, development would be less sustainable thereby having a corresponding effect on Climate change.</p> <p>This report recommends not spending any strategic CIL at present, this therefore has a neutral climate change impact.</p>			
Signed (Assistant Director or equivalent)	Trevor Watson			
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