

Impact Assessment Tool - V.1

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This section is about addressing the ecological crisis, which has highlighted the negative impact our actions and behaviours have on plant and animal life. The UK has lost a lot of biodiversity (variety of plant and animal life) which is critical for our collective survival. Publica Councils have also declared ecological emergencies, so these factors reflect that.



This section is about addressing the climate crisis and some of the main causes of climate change. All Publica Councils have declared a climate emergency and committed to being carbon neutral by 2030 or 2040. Considering the impact of these factors will help to ensure projects and policies that are approved are in line with these climate commitments.

PLEASE GO TO PROJECT DETAILS TO BEGIN FILLING IN THIS TOOL

FAQS

1. Why are some of the segments missing on the wheel in the Dashboard? If you do not have 10 environmental segments and 11 social segments, it is

Summary

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Please complete the following before moving to the **Environment** tab

What is being assessed:

What type of proposal is being assessed?

Area

Service

Name of officer

Date

Aims, objectives, anticipated outcomes of project

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Who will implement/deliver the proposal?

Report authors, normally at Director or Service Manager level

PAGE 3: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Project Name: [Redacted]
Project Location: [Redacted]
Project Description: [Redacted]

1. Air Quality
This section describes the potential impacts of the project on air quality. The project will involve the construction and operation of a facility that will emit various pollutants into the atmosphere. These emissions may contribute to the formation of ground-level ozone and other air quality concerns.

Form with input fields for Air Quality impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

2. Noise
This section describes the potential impacts of the project on noise levels. The project will involve the construction and operation of a facility that will generate noise. This noise may be a nuisance to nearby residents and could potentially affect the health and well-being of the community.

Form with input fields for Noise impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

3. Water Quality
This section describes the potential impacts of the project on water quality. The project will involve the construction and operation of a facility that will discharge effluent into nearby water bodies. This effluent may contain various pollutants that could degrade water quality and harm aquatic life.

Form with input fields for Water Quality impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

4. Land Use
This section describes the potential impacts of the project on land use. The project will involve the construction and operation of a facility that will require the use of land. This land use may be incompatible with existing land use patterns and could potentially affect the surrounding community.

Form with input fields for Land Use impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

5. Biological Resources
This section describes the potential impacts of the project on biological resources. The project will involve the construction and operation of a facility that will disturb or destroy natural resources, including wetlands, streams, and other sensitive areas. This disturbance could potentially harm the wildlife and plant life that inhabit these areas.

Form with input fields for Biological Resources impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

6. Soil and Sedimentation
This section describes the potential impacts of the project on soil and sedimentation. The project will involve the construction and operation of a facility that will disturb soil and generate sediment. This sediment may be transported to nearby water bodies, where it could degrade water quality and harm aquatic life.

Form with input fields for Soil and Sedimentation impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

7. Cultural Resources
This section describes the potential impacts of the project on cultural resources. The project will involve the construction and operation of a facility that may disturb or destroy cultural resources, including historic structures, archaeological sites, and other significant cultural resources. This disturbance could potentially harm the cultural heritage of the community.

Form with input fields for Cultural Resources impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

8. Energy Use
This section describes the potential impacts of the project on energy use. The project will involve the construction and operation of a facility that will consume significant amounts of energy. This energy consumption may contribute to greenhouse gas emissions and other climate change concerns.

Form with input fields for Energy Use impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

9. Socioeconomics
This section describes the potential impacts of the project on socioeconomics. The project will involve the construction and operation of a facility that may affect the local economy, employment, and other socioeconomics factors. This impact could be both positive and negative, depending on the nature of the project and the local community.

Form with input fields for Socioeconomics impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

10. Other
This section describes any other potential impacts of the project that have not been covered in the other sections. This could include impacts on aesthetics, traffic, and other factors that may be relevant to the project.

Form with input fields for Other impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

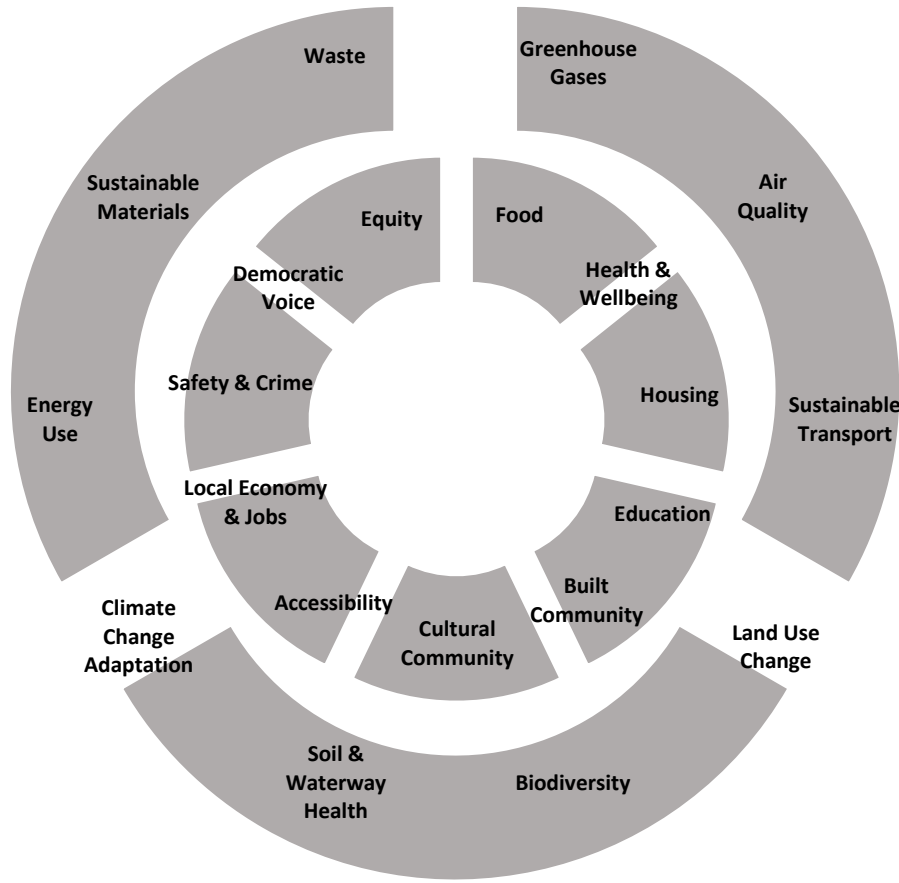
11. Cumulative Impacts
This section describes the potential cumulative impacts of the project when combined with other projects in the area. Cumulative impacts can be significant and may require additional mitigation measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for these impacts.

Form with input fields for Cumulative Impacts, including sections for 'What are the impacts?' and 'What are the mitigation measures?'.

Large vertical sidebar form containing various checkboxes, dropdown menus, and input fields for detailed project information and impact assessment.

Table with 3 columns: Impacts, Mitigation, and Other. It lists various impact categories and associated mitigation measures.

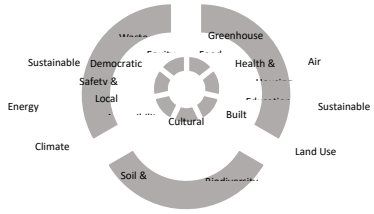
REMARKS:
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Key

	Significant and/or long-term positive impact identified. No changes needed.
	Slight or short-term positive impact identified. No changes needed but could be reviewed to improve.
	Not applicable or no cause for concern.
	Slight or short-term negative impact identified. Review to identify possible improvements.
	Significant and/or long-term negative impact identified. Changes needed before proceeding.

Report: 0



CHECKS

ENVIRONMENTAL	Scores	Action	Justification	Reviewed	Recommendation	Follow up	Conclusion
GHGs	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Air quality	0	No action required.	0				
Sustainable Transport	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Biodiversity	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Land use change	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Soil and waterway health	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Climate Change Adaptation	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Energy Use	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Waste	0	No action required.	0				
Sustainable Materials	0	No action required.	0				
SOCIAL	Scores	Action	Justification	Reviewed	Recommendation	Follow up	Conclusion
Food	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Health	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Housing	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Education	#VALUE!	#VALUE!	0				
Community	0	No action required.	0				
Culture	0	No action required.	0				
Accessibility	0	No action required.	0				
Local Economy and Jobs	0	No action required.	0				
Safety	0	No action required.	0				
Democratic Voice	0	No action required.	0				
Equity	0	No action required.	0				