

Appendix 2: Climate Impact Assessment



ENVIRONMENTAL	Scores	Action	Justification
GHGs	0	No action required.	The decision to deliver housing services via a single entity does not have a direct impact on greenhouse gas emissions. However, integrating housing and housing services back into the council will reduce duplication and offer the potential for co-locating staff, which may result in a slight reduction in emissions. The future vision for housing is to deliver high quality new homes at greater pace. The impact on greenhouse gas emissions of this accelerated development will need to be carefully managed. The future vision also covers reinvestment in existing homes, which should deliver carbon savings.
Air quality	0	No action required.	The issues around social housing quality, including the presence of damp and mould, are likely to lead to the introduction of a new and revised Decent Homes Standard which the council will need to respond to. The Standard may also set higher expectations around the energy efficiency of homes with a corresponding impact on greenhouse gas emissions.
Sustainable Transport	0	No action required.	0

Biodiversity	0	No action required.	The decision to deliver housing and housing services via a single entity does not have a direct impact on biodiversity. However, one of the aims of making this change is to increase the pace of delivery of more affordable homes. This will have an impact on biodiversity, but the scale of the impact, positive or negative, will depend on several factors including siting, design and implementation of developments.
Land use change	0	No action required.	The decision to deliver housing and housing services via a single entity does not have a direct impact on land use. However, one of the aims of making this change is to increase the pace of delivery of more affordable homes. This will have an impact on land use but the scale of the impact, positive or negative, will depend on several factors including siting, design and implementation of developments.
Soil and waterway health	0	No action required.	0
Climate Change Adaptation	0	No action required.	The decision to deliver housing services via a single entity does not have a direct impact on climate change adaptation. However the future vision for housing is to deliver high quality new homes and reinvest in existing homes, both of which will need to consider measures for adapting to climate change.
Energy Use	2	No action required	The decision to deliver housing services via a single entity offers the potential for co-locating staff, which may deliver a reduction in energy use.
Waste	0	No action required.	0
Sustainable Materials	0	No action required.	0

SOCIAL	Scores	Action	Justification
Food	1	No action required	0
Health	0	No action required.	The decision to deliver housing and housing services via a single entity does not have a direct impact on health and wellbeing. However, Cheltenham's strategic vision for housing and housing services recognises that living in a high quality, safe and affordable home is a key determinant of health and wellbeing and the council believes an integrated housing and housing services model will be able to respond more effectively for tenants.
Housing	0	No action required.	The decision to deliver housing and housing services via a single entity does not have a direct impact on housing. However one of the aims of making this change is to accelerate the delivery of more high quality, affordable homes. The future vision for housing also includes reinvestment in existing housing stock and neighbourhoods. In addition, the model offers opportunities for a person-centred approach focused on supporting those most in need through early intervention and prevention.
Education	1	No action required	0
Community	1	No action required	The decision to deliver housing and housing services via a single entity does not have a direct impact on the built community. However, one of the purposes is to better support delivery of the council's strategic vision for housing and housing services, which recognises housing as an enabler for reinvesting in neighbourhoods and enabling residents to take ownership of their communities.
Culture	1	No action required	0
Accessibility	1	No action required	0