

Vacant Units and Town Centre Land Efficiency Action Plan



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.

This summary of the CIAT should be used to aid your decision making. Please note that red/amber segments simply mean that mitigations and changes should take place not that the project cannot go ahead.

Environmental	Scores	Justification	Recommendation
GHGs	0	The action plan seeks to identify opportunities for development which would then have an impact on GHG, but it does not directly control these. If opportunities for development are identified in the future, these will be subject to separate assessment at that time.	0
Air quality	0	0	0
Sustainable Transport	2	If the desired objective of increasing town centre living is achieved, this will encourage sustainable transport as people will live near to amenities / workplaces. However there is no direct control over this through this action plan as it seeks to influence opportunities for town centre living, not deliver these.	0
Land use change	0	Any land use changes that come about as a result of the influence exerted by this action plan will be to convert existing retail or brownfield land, not remove grassland or green spaces.	0
Biodiversity	0	0	0
Soil and waterway health	0	0	0

Climate Change Adaptation	0	0	0
Energy Use	0	Although sustainable development will be encouraged, this will not be directly in the control of this project.	0
Sustainable Materials	0	0	0
Waste	0	0	0

Social	Scores	Justification	Recommendation
Food	2	If the desired objective of increasing town centre living is achieved, this will support access to healthy and affordable food as people will live near to amenities / retail. However there is no direct control over this through this action plan as it seeks to influence opportunities for town centre living, not deliver these.	0
Health	2	If the desired objective of increasing town centre living is achieved, this will support health and wellbeing as people will live near to amenities / workplaces and will be more likely to use active travel. However there is no direct control over this through this action plan as it seeks to influence opportunities for town centre living, not deliver these.	0
Housing	2	If the desired objective of increasing town centre living is achieved, developers will be encouraged to use sustainable building practices and create efficient homes. However there is no direct control over this through this action plan as it seeks to influence opportunities for town centre living, not deliver these.	0
Education	0	0	0
Community	2	If the desired objective of increasing town centre living is achieved, this will positively impact the sense of place in the town centre as more people will live there and this will provide safety and security. However there is no direct control over this through this action plan as it seeks to influence opportunities for town centre living, not deliver these.	0

Culture	2	A reduction in the vacant units in the town centre will lead to a more vibrant and viable town centre which will support cultural activities.	0
Accessibility	0	0	0
Local Economy and Jobs	8	Reduced vacancies in the town centre, a cohesive business support programme for businesses.	0
Safety	2	If the desired objective of increasing town centre living is achieved, this will positively impact the sense of place in the town centre as more people will live there and this will provide safety and security. However there is no direct control over this through this action plan as it seeks to influence opportunities for town centre living, not deliver these.	0
Equity	2	If opportunities for meanwhile or pop-up use for empty units are found, a fair, accessible and transparent process will be followed to identify potential users of this space. If meanwhile or pop-up uses are identified, or new space is developed, this must be accessible for all groups.	0
Democratic Voice	1	Engagement with stakeholders. When inviting stakeholders to be part of the group, we will ensure this group is representative. Consultation or engagement on meanwhile use activity, if carried out, must be carried out in a way which engages a representative range of respondents.	0