

Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

Integrated Impact Assessment

(includes Equalities, Welsh Language, Sustainability and Biodiversity)



Before completing the Impact Assessment **PLEASE REFER TO THE CORRESPONDING GUIDANCE DOCUMENT** which provides essential background information.

An Integrated Impact Assessment **MUST** be completed for:

1. Any project (i.e. something that has a start and end date and is different from day to day business).
2. Where you are implementing significant change e.g. service provision.
3. For any Council / Cabinet report that is not part of an above mentioned project or significant change.

Title of Project / Report:	Budget Consultation 2021/22
Officer completing Impact Assessment:	Ceri Dinham
Lead Officer / Project Manager:	Steve Jones
Service:	Finance
Impact Assessment completion date:	21.02.22
<p>Please give a brief description of the aims of the proposal: This report is presenting the findings of a public consultation and at this stage, there are proposals being put forward.</p>	

1. Merthyr Tydfil Well-being Objectives

Does your proposal help to deliver any of the Council's Well-being Objectives identified below?

Well-being Objectives	Does your proposal have a positive or negative impact on the Council's Well-being Objectives? Please place an X in the relevant box			Why have you come to this decision? Please provide an explanation	What actions have been/will be taken to better contribute to positive impacts and/or mitigate any negative impacts?
	Positive	Negative	N/A		
<u>Best Start to Life</u> Children and young people get the best start to life and are equipped with the skills they need to be successful learners and confident individuals.			x	N/A	N/A
<u>Working Life</u> People feel supported to develop the skills required to meet the needs of businesses with a developing, safe infrastructure making Merthyr Tydfil an attractive destination.			x	N/A	N/A
<u>Environmental Well-being</u> Communities protect, enhance and promote our environment and countryside.			x	N/A	N/A
<u>Living Well</u> People are empowered to live independently within their communities, where they feel safe and enjoy good physical and mental health.			X	N/A	N/A
Sources of evidence to support the above: As there are no proposals being put forward at this stage, there are no negative or positive impact on the Council's Well-being Objectives.					

2. Sustainable Development Principles (The Five Ways of Working)

Does your proposal demonstrate you have met the sustainable development principles (five ways of working)?

Five Ways of Working	How does your proposal demonstrate you have met the five ways of working?	Are there any additional actions to be taken to better contribute to the five ways of working and/or mitigate any negative impacts?
Long Term - Thinking and planning for the long term.	N/A	N/A
Prevention - Preventing problems before they happen.	N/A	N/A
Integration - Integrating with other strategies.	N/A	N/A
Collaboration - Collaborating with others.	N/A	N/A
Involvement - Involving people and communities.	On line consultation to find out what services they thought were most important and to which services the Council should allocate its budget.	N/A
<p>Sources of evidence to support the above: The evidence of the online consultation is contained within the report which provides details on the methodology and findings of the public consultation.</p>		

3. Protected Characteristics (including Welsh Language)

Does your proposal directly impact on service users, employees and/or the wider community, including the nine protected characteristic groups and Welsh language as identified below?

Protected Characteristics	Does your proposal have a positive or negative impact on service users, employees and/or the wider community, including the nine protected characteristic groups and Welsh language? Please place an X in the relevant box			Why have you come to this decision? Please provide an explanation	What actions have been/will be taken to better contribute to positive impacts and/or mitigate any negative impacts?
	Positive	Negative	N/A		
Age			x	N/A	N/A
Disability			x	N/A	N/A
Gender Reassignment			x	N/A	N/A
Marriage and Civil Partnership			x	N/A	N/A
Pregnancy and Maternity			x	N/A	N/A
Race			x	N/A	N/A
Religion or Belief			x	N/A	N/A
Sex (Gender)			x	N/A	N/A
Sexual Orientation			x	N/A	N/A
Welsh Language			x	N/A	N/A
Sources of evidence to support the above: As there are no proposals being put forward at this stage, there are no negative or positive impact on service users, employees and/or the wider community, including the nine protected characteristic groups and Welsh language.					

4. Biodiversity

Does your proposal directly impact on Biodiversity?

Biodiversity	Does your proposal have a positive or negative impact on Biodiversity? Please place an X in the relevant box			Why have you come to this decision? Please provide an explanation	What actions have been/will be taken to better contribute to positive impacts and/or mitigate any negative impacts?
	Positive	Negative	N/A		
Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystem resilience			x	N/A	N/A
Sources of evidence to support the above: As there are no proposals being put forward at this stage, there are no negative or positive impact on Biodiversity.					

5. Summary

As a result of completing this Impact Assessment, how many positive and negative impacts does your proposal have? This section should then be included in the related Council/Cabinet report.

Please see the example provided in the **guidance document**.

	Positive Impacts	Negative Impacts	Not Applicable
1. Merthyr Tydfil Well-being Objectives	0 of 4	0 of 4	4 of 4
2. Sustainable Development Principles - How have you considered the five ways of working: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long term • Prevention • Integration • Collaboration • Involvement 	1 of 5	0 of 5	4 of 5
3. Protected Characteristics (<i>including Welsh Language</i>)	0 of 10	0 of 10	10 of 10
4. Biodiversity	0 of 1	0 of 1	1 of 1
<p><u>Summary:</u></p> <p>The main positive impact is that the public were consulted with as part of the public consultation in order to seek their view on what Council services they think should be prioritised and where they think the Council's budget should be spent.</p> <p>There were no negative impacts, as this report is presenting the findings of the public consultation, with no proposals being put forward at this stage.</p>			

6. Actions

Based on the summary of your positive and negative impacts, identified in Section 5 above, will you need to make changes to your proposal to better contribute to positive impacts and/or mitigate any negative impacts? Please identify any further actions you will need to undertake to better contribute to positive impacts and/or mitigate any negative impacts.

What are you going to do?	Estimated completion date	Who will be responsible?	Timelines/Milestones e.g. 6 months/over a year, etc.	Progress
N/A				

7. Version Control

The Impact Assessment should be used at the earliest stages of decision making, and then honed and refined throughout the decision making process. Please use the table below to keep a record of this process so that we can demonstrate how we have considered and built in the sustainable development principles where possible.

Version No.	Decision making stage	Date considered	Brief description of any amendments made following consideration
1	Awaiting Cabinet approval	03.03.21	

8. Sign off section

Approved by: _____

Job Title: _____

Approval date: _____