

Herefordshire Council Environmental Impact Assessment Form

Name of proposal	Review of Property Estate (S17)
Directorate and Service Area	Economy and Place, Technical Services
Saving £k	£ 1,000k
Name of Lead Officer(s)	Chris Jenner / Andy Husband

Step 1: What is the proposal?

Please explain your proposal in plain English, avoiding acronyms and jargon.

1.1 What is the proposal?

The proposal has five main elements:

- Reducing the number of adults and children's buildings through opportunities for sharing with our partner organisations
- Disposal of further buildings and reduction in costs through planned Better Ways of Working
- Property maintenance cost reduction including as a result of reduction in the overall size of the estate
- Move property management to commissioned only service
- Accommodation and industrial business space rental income

Step 2: What environmental aspects will be affected by the development and implementation of this proposal?

Air quality	Y	Hazardous materials	
Biodiversity		Noise pollution	
Carbon emissions	Y	Soil and water quality	
Flooding and climate resilience		Waste and recycling	Y
		Other	Y

If other please state: Energy management

Is this:

Review of an existing activity	Y
New activity	

Planning to withdraw or reduce a service, activity or presence?	
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Step 3: What information and evidence have you reviewed to help inform this assessment?

For example name sources e.g. traffic assessments, carbon and energy calculations, air quality assessment, ecological surveys, waste analysis etc.

<p>3.1 What information and evidence have you reviewed to help inform this assessment?</p> <p>Assessment of energy use. Use of recycled material in construction – Passivehouse and BREEAM guidance.</p>
<p>3.2 Summary of engagement or consultation undertaken</p> <p>Consultation not yet commenced in full – dialogue with colleagues who are involved in carbon reduction and energy management.</p>
<p>3.3 Summary of relevant findings</p> <p>Too early in the process.</p>

Step 4: The impact of this proposal

4.1 The impact of this proposal

Please consider the potential impact of this activity (during development and implementation) on each of the key considerations outlined below. Please tick one or more impact box below for each and explain your rationale. Please note it is possible for the potential impact to be both positive and negative within the same group and this should be recorded.

	Potential <u>positive</u> impact	Potential <u>neutral</u> impact	Potential <u>negative</u> impact	Reasons
Air quality	Y			Reduced travel and use of vehicles by staff
Protection and enhancement of Biodiversity				
Carbon emissions	Y			Building energy management and materials used in building construction/refurbishment. Reduced staff travel.

Flooding and climate resilience				
Use/management of hazardous materials				
Noise pollution				
Soil and water quality				
Waste and recycling	Y			Use of recycled material in construction and recycling of redundant/used building materials
Other				

4.2 What actions will you take to mitigate any potential negative impacts?

- 1) Consider all aspects of reducing carbon footprint
- 2) Terms of construction contracts to require carbon reduction and recycling

Step 5: Monitoring and Review

5.1 How will you monitor and review these actions?

Monitor energy consumption. DEC and EPC rating of buildings. Reducing the number of buildings will in itself reduce the Council's carbon footprint.

Service Director sign-off:

Richard Ball
Director of Economy & Place

Date:

29 January 2021