

## Appendix 2 - Template for Impact Assessment Level 1: Initial screening assessment

<b>Subject of assessment:</b>	<b>Local Plan – Housing Core Strategy and Housing Development Plan Document Proposed Main Modifications</b>			
<b>Coverage:</b>	Overarching			
<b>This is a decision relating to:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Strategy</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Policy</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Service</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Function</b>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Process/procedure</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Programme</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Project</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Review</b>
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Organisational change</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other (please state)</b>		
<b>It is a:</b>	<b>New approach:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Revision of an existing approach:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>It is driven by:</b>	<b>Legislation:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Local or corporate requirements:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Description:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Key aims, objectives and activities</li> </ul> <p>The aim of this report is to review the housing element of the Local Plan – Housing Submission Core Strategy and Housing Development Plan Document in light of the impact of the economic recession and the need to provide sufficient sites to meet Middlesbrough's housing requirements. This report relates to the Publication stage, which is the third stage of this review and seeks views on the soundness of the draft policies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Statutory drivers (set out exact reference)</li> </ul> <p>The Council is required by National Planning Policy Framework to have a five-year supply of housing. It has been demonstrated through the 2010/11 LDF Annual Monitoring Report that Middlesbrough does not have a five-year supply. The review will be carried out in line with the Town and Country Planning Regulations and also the Council's adopted Statement of Community Involvement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Differences from any previous approach</li> </ul> <p>This review is focused on just the housing elements of the Local Plan / LDF Core Strategy and Regeneration DPD whereas when the documents were originally prepared they looked a wider issues such as employment and the town centre and retail. It is not thought necessary to review these other elements at this time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Key stakeholders and intended beneficiaries (internal and external as appropriate)</li> </ul> <p>Widespread consultation has been undertaken with the public, statutory consultees, businesses, developers and other stakeholders in line with the Council's adopted Statement of Community Involvement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intended outcomes.</li> </ul> <p>1 The intended outcome is to establish Middlesbrough's housing requirements and identify sufficient deliverable housing sites to meet these needs.</p>			
<b>Live date:</b>	The Local Plan –Housing Main Modifications will be submitted to the Planning Inspector holding the Local Plan Public Examination on July 4 <sup>th</sup> 2014. The final documents are not expected to be adopted Autumn 2014.			

<b>Lifespan:</b>	The life span of the plan will be 15 years from the date of adoption.
<b>Date of next review:</b>	The review of the document could be triggered by changes in the housing market.

Screening questions	Response			Evidence
	No	Yes	Uncertain	
<b>Human Rights</b> Could the decision impact negatively on individual Human Rights as enshrined in UK legislation? *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The draft policies are in relation to housing and potential housing allocations. Extensive public consultation was carried out on the Local Plan during November/December 2013 in line with the adopted Statement of Community Involvement and will not impact negatively on human rights. One of the Main Modifications is regarding future gypsy and traveller provision and seeks to review the Plan in light of any future identified need for the community. At this stage evidence available indicates that this decision will not have a disproportionate adverse impact on people because they hold a protected characteristic.
<b>Equality</b> Could the decision result in adverse differential impacts on groups or individuals with characteristics protected in UK equality law? Could the decision impact differently on other commonly disadvantaged groups? *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The draft policies are in relation to housing and potential housing allocations. Extensive public consultation was carried out on the Local Plan during November/December 2013 in line with the adopted Statement of Community Involvement and therefore will not have any equality implications. . One of the Main Modifications is regarding future gypsy and traveller provision and seeks to review the Plan in light of any future identified need for the community At this stage evidence available indicates that this decision will not have a disproportionate adverse impact on people because they hold a protected characteristic.

\* Consult the Impact Assessment further guidance appendix for details on the issues covered by each of theses broad questions prior to completion.

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<b>Community cohesion</b> Could the decision impact negatively on relationships between different groups, communities of interest or neighbourhoods within the town? *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The draft policies are in relation to housing and potential housing allocations. Extensive public consultation was carried out on the Local Plan during November/December 2013 in line with the adopted Statement of Community Involvement and therefore will not have any implications for community cohesion. At this stage evidence available indicates that this decision will not have a disproportionate adverse impact on people because they hold a protected characteristic.
<b>Middlesbrough 2020 – Our Vision</b> Could the decision impact negatively on the achievement of the vision for Middlesbrough? *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The aim of the Local Plan is to deliver the vision set out in the 2020 Vision in planning terms and therefore it will not impact negatively on the 2020 Vision.
<b>Organisational management / transformation</b> Could the decision impact negatively on organisational management or the transformation of the Council's services as set out in its transformation programme? *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The Local Plan Housing will not have any implications for the Council's transformation programme.
<b>Next steps:</b>  ➡ If the answer to all of the above screening questions is No then the process is completed. ➡ If the answer of any of the questions is Yes or Uncertain, then a Level 2 Full Impact Assessment must be completed.				

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