

Appendix 2

Impact Assessment Level 1: Initial screening assessment

Subject of assessment:	Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Register			
Coverage:	All wards			
This is a decision relating to:	<input type="checkbox"/> Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/> Policy	<input type="checkbox"/> Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Function
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Process/procedure	<input type="checkbox"/> Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Review
	<input type="checkbox"/> Organisational change	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please state)		
It is a:	New approach:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Revision of an existing approach:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
It is driven by:	Legislation:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Local or corporate requirements:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Description:	<p>Key aims, objectives and activities The purpose of this report is to seek approval for the introduction of a charge and local eligibility criteria to the Middlesbrough Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Register</p> <p>Statutory drivers (set out exact reference) The duty to grant permission for serviced plots is to be fulfilled by 31st October 2019. This is a statutory requirement as part of The Housing and Planning Act 2015 (as Amended).</p> <p>Differences from any previous approach The introduction of local eligibility criteria and a fee for being entered onto, and to remain on the register.</p> <p>Key stakeholders and intended beneficiaries (internal and external as appropriate) The Council, stakeholders and residents.</p> <p>Intended outcomes. To identify genuine demand in the Middlesbrough area for Self-build project ambitions, and provide serviced plots in accordance with the statutory requirements of the Act.</p>			
Live date:	As of immediate effect.			
Lifespan:	Continuously whilst the self-build register is in place.			
Date of next review:	Not known at this time.			

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Screening questions	Response			Evidence
	No	Yes	Uncertain	
Human Rights Could the decision impact negatively on individual Human Rights as enshrined in UK legislation?*	☒	☐	☐	<p>The introduction of eligibility criteria is considered wholly reasonable when supporting a greater understanding of the nature of demand for self-build and custom housebuilding in the Middlesbrough area. If interested parties do not meet the criteria they can choose to be entered onto Part 2 of the register.</p> <p>The proposed eligibility criteria is therefore considered to be fair and reasonable and is not considered to impact negatively upon individual Human Rights.</p>
Equality 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?*	☒	☐	☐	<p>The self-build register is an optional register for those who wish to build their own homes, both the eligibility criteria and charges applied will be in direct relation to this ambition.</p> <p>It is not considered that the proposed changes to the register will have an adverse impact upon groups or individuals with characteristics protected in UK equality law.</p>
Community cohesion Could the decision impact negatively on relationships between different groups, communities of interest or neighbourhoods within the town?*	☒	☐	☐	<p>The introduction of eligibility criteria is considered wholly reasonable when supporting a greater understanding of the nature of demand for self-build and custom housebuilding in the Middlesbrough area.</p> <p>It is not considered that the proposed changes to the register will impact negatively on community cohesion.</p>
Next steps: ➡ 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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* Consult the Impact Assessment further guidance appendix for details on the issues covered by each of these broad questions prior to completion.