

Appendix Four. Template for Impact Assessment Level 1: Initial screening assessment

Subject of assessment:	Future use of the Former Lingfield Countryside Centre and surrounding land			
Coverage:	Service specific			
This is a decision relating to:	<input type="checkbox"/> Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/> Policy	<input type="checkbox"/> Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Function
	<input type="checkbox"/> Process/procedure	<input type="checkbox"/> Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Project	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Local or corporate requirements:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Description:	<p>Insert short description, using the following as sub-headings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key aims, objectives and activities To achieve a satisfactory solution to a currently unoccupied building that is sat in a designated green space are of Coulby Newham which benefits both the Community and reduces costs to the Council. Offering out as a Community Asset Transfer or seeking commercial use of the building. Statutory drivers (set out exact reference) There is no statutory function to consider in terms of impact upon services, the site is not in use. The process for possible Community Asset Transfer is inline with rights under the Community Right to Bid elements of the Localism Act 2011. • Differences from any previous approach Currently the site is vacant and there is a risk that the empty buildings could be targeted for vandalism and that they will fall into a greater state of repair if they are not transferred or demolished.. The site was offered up previously as a Community Asset Transfer with little success. • Key stakeholders and intended beneficiaries (internal and external as appropriate) Local community, Strategic Asset Management, Regeneration Intended outcomes. To enable the building remains an integral part of the community and reduces financial pressure on the Local Authority. 			
Live date:	February 2015			
Lifespan:	N/a			
Date of next review:	N/a			

Screening questions	Response			Evidence
	No	Yes	Uncertain	
Human Rights 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 proposed changes will not affect arrangements in place for human rights as the proposal relates to management of an asset which is not currently in use and any future plans for this asset will be shaped by the Community Asset Transfer policy or planning processes, both of which take into account human rights where relevant.
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? *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Current users of the green space will be unaffected as the building is not normally accessible for general use. It is planned that General users of the green space around the building should be unaffected by proposals regardless of the direction. The Council has a duty to consider the impact of its decisions to ensure that it has due regard to the public sector equality duty. The proposal will not result in reduced access to the outdoor provision which is unaffected by the proposal. Given the above it is not anticipated that there could be a disproportionate impact on any group because they hold a protected characteristic. Evidence used to inform this assessment includes analysis of users of the green space and SHLAA content.
Community cohesion 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"/>	There are no concerns that the proposals could have an adverse impact on community cohesion. Evidence used to inform this assessment includes analysis of users of the green space and SHLAA content.
Sustainable Community Strategy objectives Could the decision impact negatively on the achievement of the vision for Middlesbrough? Does the decision impact on statutory duties associated with these key objectives? *	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The continued provision of the green space in the area will support the health and well-being and children and young people's themes by maintaining access to green space. Evidence used to inform this assessment includes analysis of users of the green space and SHLAA content.
Organisational management / transformation 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"/>	This proposal supports the aims of the change programmes. It will reduce on-going costs associated with maintaining the building and has a potential to provide income and/or providing community benefits.
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.

