

Appendix 3: Template for Impact Assessment Level 1: Initial Screening Assessment

Subject of assessment:	Draft Development Briefs for sites at Hemlington North and Hemlington Grange South			
Coverage:	Site-specific			
This is a decision relating to:	<input type="checkbox"/> Strategy	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Review
	<input type="checkbox"/> Organisational change	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please state)		
It is a:	New approach:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Revision of an existing approach:	<input type="checkbox"/>
It is driven by:	Legislation:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Local or corporate requirements:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Description:	<p>Draft Development Briefs for sites at Hemlington North and Hemlington Grange South have been prepared to provide guidelines on the key layout principles, type of housing and quality of development that the Council will be seeking on these sites.</p> <p>Key aims, objectives and activities The Development Briefs aim to provide developers with guidelines on the Council's requirements for the future development of the site, reducing risk and uncertainty. They will also contribute to ensuring the timely development of the sites and make it less likely that inappropriate planning applications will be submitted.</p> <p>Statutory drivers The Council is required to prepare a Local Plan and associated planning documents, under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). The Development Briefs are non-statutory documents that are informed by the Local Plan and NPPF.</p> <p>Differences from any previous approach There are currently no development briefs for the sites. The Council's Local Plan Policies H1, H11, H20 and H31 provide broad development requirements for the wider Hemlington Grange area. The development briefs provides more detailed site specific development guidance for these sites.</p> <p>Key stakeholders and intended beneficiaries The Council, developers, the local community and future occupants.</p> <p>Intended outcomes The development briefs being approved for public consultation. The final briefs will ultimately guide development of the site, and will become material considerations in any future residential planning proposals for the sites. They will accompany the disposal of the sites, in order to clarify the Council's expectations for the sites whilst, at the same time, reducing risk and uncertainty for any potential developers.</p>			
Live date:	Upon approval.			
Lifespan:	Until the site is developed or the site allocation in the Local Plan is changed.			

Date of next review:

The Local Plan is currently being reviewed, and it is proposed that the allocation of the land at Hemlington Grange be retained.

Screening questions	Response			Evidence
	No	Yes	Uncertain	
<p>Human Rights</p> <p>Could the decision impact negatively on individual Human Rights as enshrined in UK legislation? *</p>	☒	☐	☐	<p>Land at Hemlington Grange is already allocated for residential use in the Council's adopted Local Plan, which underwent several rounds of public consultation – in full accordance with the Middlesbrough Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) – and a stringent Public Examination by an Independent Planning Inspector, who declared the Plan sound. As such, the principle of residential development in this location has already been established as being suitable.</p> <p>The development briefs are intended to ensure the satisfactory development for residential purposes. Consultation on the development guidance will be undertaken in full accordance with the Council's (SCI).</p> <p>In light of the above, it is not considered that the guidance will have an adverse impact on individual human rights.</p>

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

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<p>Equality</p> <p>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>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Land at Hemlington Grange is already allocated for residential use in the Council's adopted Local Plan, which underwent several rounds of public consultation – in full accordance with the Middlesbrough Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) – and a stringent Public Examination by an Independent Planning Inspector, who declared the Plan sound. As such, the principle of residential development in this location has already been established as being suitable.</p> <p>The development briefs are intended to ensure the satisfactory development for residential purposes. Consultation on the development guidance will be undertaken in full accordance with the Council's (SCI).</p> <p>In light of the above, it is not considered that the guidance will have an adverse impact on individual human rights.</p>

Screening questions	Response			Evidence
<p>Community cohesion</p> <p>Could the decision impact negatively on relationships between different groups, communities of interest or neighbourhoods within the town? *</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Land at Hemlington Grange is already allocated for residential use in the Council's adopted Local Plan, which underwent several rounds of public consultation – in full accordance with the Middlesbrough Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) – and a stringent Public Examination by an Independent Planning Inspector, who declared the Plan sound. As such, the principle of residential development in this location has already been established as being suitable.</p> <p>The development briefs are intended to ensure the satisfactory development for residential purposes. Consultation on the development guidance will be undertaken in full accordance with the Council's (SCI).</p> <p>In light of the above, it is not considered that the guidance will have an adverse impact on individual human rights.</p>

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<p>Sustainable Community Strategy objectives</p> <p>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? *</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Land at Hemlington Grange is already allocated for residential use in the Council's adopted Local Plan, which underwent several rounds of public consultation – in full accordance with the Middlesbrough Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) – and a stringent Public Examination by an Independent Planning Inspector, who declared the Plan sound. As such, the principle of residential development in this location has already been established as being suitable.</p> <p>The development briefs are intended to ensure the satisfactory development for residential purposes. Consultation on the development guidance will be undertaken in full accordance with the Council's (SCI).</p> <p>In light of the above, it is not considered that the guidance will have an adverse impact on individual human rights.</p>

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<p>Organisational management / transformation</p> <p>Could the decision impact negatively on organisational management or the transformation of the Council's services as set out in its transformation programme? *</p>	☒	☐	☐	<p>Land at Hemlington Grange is already allocated for residential use in the Council's adopted Local Plan, which underwent several rounds of public consultation – in full accordance with the Middlesbrough Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) – and a stringent Public Examination by an Independent Planning Inspector, who declared the Plan sound. As such, the principle of residential development in this location has already been established as being suitable.</p> <p>The development briefs are intended to ensure the satisfactory development for residential purposes. Consultation on the development guidance will be undertaken in full accordance with the Council's (SCI).</p> <p>In light of the above, it is not considered that the guidance will have an adverse impact on individual human rights.</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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