Impact Assessment Level 1: Initial screening assessment

Subject of assessment:	Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy 2021 - 2037							
Coverage:	Crosscutting							
This is a decision relating to:	Strategy	Policy	Service		unction			
	Process/procedure	Programme	ogramme 🗌 Project 🗌 Revie		ew			
	Organisational change	Other (please state)						
It is a:	New approach:		Revision of an existing approach:		\square			
It is driven by:	Legislation:		Local or corporate requirements:					
Description :	Key aims, objectives and activities To assess the impact of proceeding with the adoption of the Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy 2021 - 2037. Statutory drivers The Council must prepare Local Plans and associated planning documents, under the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). Differences from any previous approach The established local plan is reliant upon certain policies saved from the old local plan, originally adopted in 1999. The emerging local plan will be reliant on an up to date evidence base. The Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy 2021 – 2037 will provide a sound basis upon which to prepare policies relating to green and blue infrastructure, and will set out a new strategic approach for maximising the benefits to our communities. Key stakeholders and intended beneficiaries (internal and external as appropriate) The key stakeholders are: the Council; Local Community; and Private Landowners.							

	Intended outcomes.						
	To seek the adoption of the Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy 2021 - 2037.						
Live date:	The Executive will consider Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy 2021 – 2037 on 13 th July 2021.						
Lifespan:	Until the replaced by a future strategy.						
Date of next review:	Not applicable						
Screening questions	·	Response			Evidence		
Screening questions		No	Yes	Uncertain			
Human Rights Could the decision impact negatively on individual Human Rights as enshrined in UK legislation?					The Council is required to be prepare a local plan for the area based on an up to date evidence base. The Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy 2021 – 2037 has been prepared by expert consultants, in consultation with key stakeholders. The emerging local plan will be prepared in accordance with the legislation, national policy and local consultation standards, and will provide opportunities for all sectors of the community to be involved. In light of the above, it is not considered that the report will have an adverse impact on individual human rights.		
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?*					The Council is required to be prepare a local plan for the area based on an up to date evidence base. The Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy 2021 – 2037 has been prepared by expert consultants, in consultation with key stakeholders. The emerging local plan will be prepared in accordance with the legislation, national policy and local consultation standards, and will provide opportunities for all sectors of the community to be involved. In light of the above, it is not considered that the report will have an adverse impact on different groups or individuals in terms of equality.		

Date:	21/06/21			Date:				
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 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. 								
Community cohesion Could the decision impact negatively on relationsh between different groups, communities of interest neighbourhoods within the town?*				evidence base. The Green and Blue In prepared by expert consultants, in cons local plan will be prepared in accordance consultation standards, and will pro community to be involved. In light of the above, it is not consider	local plan for the area based on an up to date frastructure Strategy 2021 – 2037 has been sultation with key stakeholders. The emerging e with the legislation, national policy and local ovide opportunities for all sectors of the red that the report will impact negatively on c, communities of interest or neighbourhoods			