

Appendix 2

Environment and Sustainability Assessment

Project Title: Securing Emergency Temporary Accommodation				
Department: City Housing		Team: Housing Solutions		Person Responsible for assessment: Lewis Rees
Date of assessment: 24/5/2023		Is it a new or existing proposal? New, but relates to existing Emergency Accommodation service		
Brief description of the proposal: The report sets out the case for developing a Cabinet Report in support of the provision of emergency accommodation utilising Regulation 10.1 (a) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (PCR15) to contract directly with providers for emergency accommodation (EA).				
Potential impacts of the policy/development decision/procedure/ on:	Positive Impact	Negative Impact	No Specific Impact	What will the impact be? If the impact is negative, how can it be mitigated, what action will be taken?
Natural Resources- Impact on natural resources including water, soil, air			X	This initiative is to place homeless families in Bed & Breakfast (B&B) Emergency Accommodation (EA). Through compliance with legislation no specific impact.
Energy use and CO ₂ emissions		X		Transition to B&B accommodation whereby the inclusive cost cover energy could through higher occupancy levels lead to higher energy consumption.
Impact on local green and open spaces and biodiversity			X	No specific impact
Use of sustainable products and equipment	X			The expectation is that chosen providers will ensure compliance with regulations such as using LED lighting and adopt good practices such as timer switches on lighting and individual room thermostat controls and other interventions. A Positive impact is expected.
Minimising waste	X			By law B&B providers are required to advise the Local Authority that they are a commercial waste producer. They

				will comply with good practice on waste disposal. Potentially having a positive impact on waste management through recycling etc.
Council plan priority: a city that takes a leading role in tackling climate change			X	No specific impact
Overall conclusion on the environmental and sustainability impacts of the proposal	Expectation that providers will be working within current legislation and proactively planning to adhere to governmental targets of net zero by 2050 or before. Overall this should be more favourable from an environmental and sustainability perspective.			

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