

Appendix F

Eco Impact Checklist

Title of report: Extending VCS advice grant funding agreements				
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Anticipated date of key decision: 4th December 2017				
Please note this is the original Eco Impact checklist relating to the Cabinet report in 2010 – there are no material changes.				
<p>Summary of proposals: The Investments and Grants Team have undertaken a Commissioning process for Advice Services to award funding agreements for both the Community Advice Network and the Health Related Benefits Programme (in conjunction with Public Health within NHS Bristol). This cabinet report describes the background to this commissioning process and outlines the application and evaluation process to ensure that funding agreements to VCS advice providers are awarded on the basis of value for money, conforming with the outcomes of the 20:20 plan and remodelling service provision according to the advice needs of the people of Bristol.</p>				
Will the proposal impact on...	Yes/No	+ive or -ive	If yes...	
			Briefly describe impact	Briefly describe Mitigation measures
Emission of Climate Changing Gases?	Yes	-	<p>VCS advice providers will consume Electricity and gas.</p> <p>VCS advice providers will consume fuel for travel during service provision and staff's travel to work.</p> <p>Members of the public may consume fuel to travel to VCS advice offices for advice.</p>	<p>The funding agreement negotiation stage and development of an environmental action plan will ensure that wherever possible VCS advice providers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● reduce their own energy consumption ● reduce the travel impacts associated with service provision eg planned work scheduling for any home visits to reduce mileage ● Promote sustainable travel amongst staff ● Provide services in readily accessible locations with good public transport links. ● Promote the use of sustainable travel amongst visitors to their offices eg details of bus services on websites / publicised material etc. ● Providing advice via means such as the internet, email and phone in appropriate circumstances therefore reducing travel impacts. <p>The use of area offices for the</p>

				<p>provision of advice will reduce the transport impacts of people travelling to receive advice.</p> <p>VCS advice providers will be required to report their progress in this area.</p>
Bristol's vulnerability to the effects of climate change?	Yes	-	VCS advice providers will consume water.	<p>The funding agreement negotiation stage and development of an environmental action plan will ensure that wherever possible VCS advice providers take active steps to reduce their own water consumption</p> <p>VCS advice providers will be required to report their progress in this area.</p>
Consumption of non-renewable resources?	Yes	-	VCS advice providers will consume a variety of non-renewable materials through the delivery of their services, maintenance of buildings etc.	<p>The funding agreement negotiation stage and development of an environmental action plan will ensure that wherever possible VCS advice providers take active steps to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● reduce their consumption of non-renewable resources, ● signpost members of the public to environmental advice where appropriate. <p>VCS advice providers will be required to report their progress in this area.</p>
		+	Members of the public may need advice on reducing their energy bills / transport impacts etc	
Production, recycling or disposal of waste	Yes	-	VCS advice providers will produce waste.	<p>The funding agreement negotiation stage and development of an environmental action plan will ensure that wherever possible VCS advice providers take active steps to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● embrace the waste hierarchy in their own work (i.e. reduce, reuse, recycle waste) ● signpost members of the public to good practice in this area where appropriate. <p>VCS advice providers will be required to report their progress in this area.</p>
		+	Members of the public may need advice on increasing their recycling rates and reducing waste	

The appearance of the city?	No	N/A	N/A	N/A
Pollution to land, water, or air?	Yes	-	VCS advice providers and members of the public travelling to receive advice may cause air pollution depending on their choice of transport.	See "Emission of Climate Changing Gases" section VCS advice providers will be required to report their progress in this area.
Wildlife and habitats?	No	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Summary of impacts and Mitigation - to go into the main Cabinet/ Council Report

The significant impacts of this proposal are....

VCS advice providers will:

- Consume electricity, water, gas, non-renewable materials and transport fuel
- Produce waste

Recipients of advice may consume fuel during their travel to receive advice.

The proposals include the following measures to mitigate the impacts ...

The funding agreement negotiation stage will ensure that wherever possible VCS advice providers take active steps to:

- Reduce their own operational impacts
- Reduce the transport impacts of staff travel to work and visitors to their offices
- Signpost recipients of advice to best practice environmental advice where appropriate (eg energy efficiency, waste and recycling and transport).

The advice of the Departmental Environmental adviser will be used during the funding agreement negotiation stage. A baseline assessment of VCS Advice Providers' environmental impacts will be undertaken and an action plan of realistic tasks drawn up to improve their environmental performance.

The net effects of the proposals are....

Although difficult to quantify at this stage, it is anticipated that the environmental impact of VCS advice providers and recipients of their advice will be reduced as a result of the mitigation measures that are included as part of this proposal.

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