

Eco Impact Checklist

| Title of report: The Future of Resettlement | | | | |
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| Anticipated date of key decision 5 March 2021 | | | | |
| Summary of proposals: | | | | |
| 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 | -ve | Home occupation will generate emissions, although these homes would have been lived in by others anyway if they were not part of this scheme. | Homes rented will have a legal minimum EPC rating (although EPCs are not based on actual energy use, so they only give a rough idea). Families will be given support in partnership with CSE to use thermostats and minimise energy costs. Families will be taught how to use public transport. |
| Bristol's resilience to the effects of climate change? | Yes | -ve or +ve | Rented homes may be located in areas at risk of flooding or overheating. | The locations of rented homes will be checked for flood risk and heat stress. Homes in such locations may still be used with preventative measures, such as good ventilation or flood barriers. |
| Consumption of non-renewable resources? | No | | | |
| Production, recycling or disposal of waste | Yes | +ve | If 15 families a year arrive then we prepare 15 homes with furnishings | The furnishing contract specifies new beds, bedding and kitchen equipment and reuse furniture sofas, tables, cabinets, wardrobes, chest of drawers. An average of 50% of furniture is reused, rather than new. Families will be supported to manage their waste and recycling. |

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| The appearance of the city? | No | | | |
| Pollution to land, water, or air? | No | | | |
| Wildlife and habitats? | Yes | +ve | Gardens may be tidied with a strimmer, but no pesticides are used. | Families will be given support in caring for their garden, if there is one. Checks will first be made that no non-native invasive plants are present that could be spread. |
| Consulted with: none | | | | |
| Summary of impacts and Mitigation - <u>to go into the main Cabinet/ Council Report</u> | | | | |
| <p>The significant impacts of this proposal will be the emissions and consumption from 15 new families living in Bristol, who will be supported for 5 years. There would have been emissions and consumption from other people living in the rented homes without this scheme, so there is not likely to be an overall increase in impacts.</p> <p>The proposals include the following measures to mitigate the impacts: Families will be supported to manage refuse and recycling, use public transport, use heating controls, minimise energy use (in partnership with the Centre for Sustainable Energy), budget and take care of their garden if they have one. The location of properties will be checked for flood risk and whether they are in areas that put them at greater risk of overheating in hot weather. An EPC will be arranged for each home, which will be furnished with approximately 50% reused furniture using a furnishing contract.</p> <p>The programme advertises on HelpRefugees and volunteers offer reuse baby clothes, children's clothes, toys and baby equipment which is distributed to families.</p> <p>The net effects of the proposals are that resettling refugee families is likely to have a minimal impact on the environment.</p> | | | | |
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