Eco Impact Checklist

Title of report: Investing in parks to support the city's growth areas

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Anticipated date of key decision 4th April 2023

Summary of proposals: The programme consists of a series of projects designed to enhance visitor facilities in green spaces for park visitors and local communities. Improvements will include enhancement of to children's play facilities and toilet facilities.

Will the proposal impact	Yes/	+ive	If Yes	
on	No	or -ive	Briefly describe impact	Briefly describe Mitigation measures
Emission of Climate Changing Gases?	Yes	-ve	There will be impacts due to construction works as assets are improved. Improvement works may also change emissions from the use of those assets.	Procurement processes seek contractor environmental policy detail if the contract is of significant value. Suppliers will be required to implement an emissions strategy to design buildings and construction operations to operate with minimal emissions. The Council will assess and approve specifications before contracts are awarded.
Bristol's resilience to the effects of climate change?	Yes	+ve or -ve	Construction works have the potential to damage or enhance resilience.	Suppliers will be required to implement flood resilience strategies for sites in or bordering planning flood risk zones.
Consumption of non-renewable resources?	Yes	-ve	There will be impacts due to construction works as assets are improved.	Suppliers will be required to select materials to prioritise renewable materials with a low climate impact.
Production, recycling or disposal of waste	Yes	+ve or -ve	Construction works always include some waste.	Suppliers will be required to implement site waste plans for construction works. These will include the design of waste collection areas for buildings that help with reuse or recycling.

The appearance of the city?	Yes	+ve	Asset condition will be improved.	
Pollution to land, water, or air?	Yes	-ve	Construction works have the potential to cause pollution.	Suppliers will be required to implement pollution plans to assess risks and prevent pollution as far as possible and mitigate any that happens (e.g. wheel washes to avoid tracking mud offsite, solar battery site floodlighting in place of generators, measures to avoid fuel spillage or leakage.
Wildlife and habitats?	Yes	+ve or -ve	Construction works have the potential to damage or enhance biodiversity and habitats.	Suppliers will be required to implement ecology plans to assess the ecological value of work sites and designing in features that ensure biodiversity net gain is achieved. Initial assessments will include checks for the presence of protected flora or fauna (e.g. bats) before works begin and taking action if necessary to avoid or legally mitigate their disturbance.

Consulted with:

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

The significant impacts of this proposal are as a result of construction through the upgrading of park facilities.

The proposals include the following measures to mitigate the impacts – to assess build specifications and consider material use, sourcing and waste in construction methods. Emissions, flood resilience, pollution prevention and ecological plans will be required for construction works. The extent of such plans should be determined firstly by the scale of risk and opportunity and secondly by the value of the contract.

The overall impact will depend on the scale of construction works, but is expected to be well controlled and deliver long term improvements.

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