

Eco Impact Checklist

Title of report: Corporate Catering review				
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Anticipated date of key decision 2 May 2023				
<p>Summary of proposals: To seek approval to the principle of a centralised, cross-council approach to cafes, catering and food supplies (which could include moving to a partnership model), and delegate approvals to procure and implement the required contracts to support this ambition.</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	-ive	There will be emissions arising from the production, supply and preparation of food.	<p>Part of the existing and future contracts are in line with BCC's Good Food Catering Procurement which sets out various requirements that reduce carbon emissions such as lowering food miles, reducing meat, and championing local producers wherever possible.</p> <p>The proposed project team will consider the provision of low carbon food provision (locally sourced and plant based as primary criteria) within the assessment phase of the existing contract arrangements. The findings of this will be used as a baseline for improvement in the new contract arrangements.</p> <p>During the development of tender specifications, the project team will ensure that emphasis is placed on the need for applicants to ensure that the sourcing of produce and the food offering at</p>

				<p>each concession is primarily of low carbon options; the primary criteria for this being locally sourced and plant-based produce (aiming for at least 85% of provision to meet these criteria is recommended).</p> <p>Specifications should also include that where animal-based products are offered there is a preference for lower carbon choices such as chicken over beef.</p>
Bristol's resilience to the effects of climate change?	No			
Consumption of non-renewable resources?	No			
Production, recycling or disposal of waste			<p>There will be waste associated with delivery of catering via the proposed contract.</p>	<p>Recycling and plastic free initiatives are currently in place.</p> <p>Part of the existing and future contracts are in line with BCC's Good Food Catering Procurement which requires that an annually reviewed clear plan for reducing and minimising the environmental impact of food waste and associated waste from food packaging/disposables must be implemented and communicated to the public. These aspects will be retained as a minimum requirement under the new contract and tender specifications will include preferential scoring for providers that can ensure that no disposable plastics are used at any concession</p>

				<p>and that proactive waste reduction plans are included in the bids.</p> <p>Cafes are also registered refill points to help reduce plastic from water consumption, this provision will be retained and further promoted via specifications in the new contract tender.</p>
The appearance of the city?	Yes	+ive	Specifications in the new contract should result in reduced occurrence of litter in public spaces.	
Pollution to land, water, or air?	Yes	+ive	Specifications in the new contract should result in reduced occurrence of litter in public spaces.	
Wildlife and habitats?	Yes	+ive	Specifications in the new contract should result in reduced occurrence of litter in public spaces.	
Consulted with:				
Summary of impacts and Mitigation - <u>to go into the main Cabinet/ Council Report</u>				
<p>The significant impact of this proposal is the opportunity it provides to achieve improved environmental outcomes associated with the provision of food and drinks in council locations throughout the city. The opportunities are primarily around reducing carbon associated with provision of food by specifying that locally sourced and plant-based produce makes up the majority of the offering in all council owned concessions (aiming for at least 85% of provision/offering to meet these criteria is recommended). Furthermore there is an opportunity to significantly drive down the production of waste and end the use of single use plastics at these concessions, again through the design of tender specification.</p> <p>The proposals will ensure that the criteria above form part of the tender specification writing and scoring criteria.</p> <p>The net effects of the proposals will be positive if the mitigation measure detailed above are followed.</p>				
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