



# Environmental Impact Assessment [version 1.1]

<b>Proposal title:</b> Homes for Ukraine Delivery Plan	
<b>Project stage and type:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Initial Idea Mandate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Outline Business Case <input type="checkbox"/> Full Business Case
<input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Strategy <input type="checkbox"/> Function <input type="checkbox"/> Service <input type="checkbox"/> Other [please state]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Changing <input type="checkbox"/> Already exists / review
<b>Directorate:</b> Adult Social Care	<b>Lead Officer name:</b> Dan Berlin
<b>Service Area:</b> refugee and asylum seeker services.	<b>Lead Officer role:</b> Homes for Ukraine Programme Manager

## Step 1: What do we want to do?

The purpose of this Environmental Impact Assessment is to help you develop your proposal in a way that is compliant with the council's policies and supports the council's strategic objectives under the [One City Climate Strategy](#), the [One City Ecological Emergency Strategy](#) and the latest [Corporate Strategy](#).

This assessment should be started at the beginning of the project proposal process by someone with a good knowledge of the project, the service area that will deliver it, and sufficient influence over the proposal to make changes as needed.

It is good practice to take a team approach to completing the Environmental Impact Assessment. See further [guidance](#) on completing this document. Please contact the [Environmental Performance Team](#) early for advice and feedback.

### 1.1 What are the aims and objectives/purpose of this proposal?

Briefly explain the purpose of the proposal and why it is needed. Please use plain English, avoiding jargon and acronyms.

The EIA accompanies a decision pathway proposal to extend existing support for Ukrainian Guests as part of the Homes for Ukraine Scheme. This proposal is made in the context of a government decision to extend the period guests can remain in the UK and consequently the timescale for support to continue is extended.

### 1.2 Will the proposal have an environmental impact?

Could the proposal have either a positive or negative effects for the environment now or in the future? If 'No' explain why you are sure there will be no environmental impact, then skip steps 2-3 and request review by the [Environmental Performance Team](#).

If 'Yes' complete the rest of this assessment.

Yes  No [please select]

Over 800 people from Ukraine have arrived in Bristol as guests in the context of the Homes for Ukraine Scheme, with just over 600 currently in Bristol. Their presence here has an impact on the wider footprint in that context. It will not mean building new accommodation as the majority of guests are accommodated in existing community members' homes or in the private rental sector. This means limited impact on space for nature.

### 1.3 If the proposal is part of an options appraisal, has the environmental impact of each option been assessed and included in the recommendation-making process?

If 'Yes' please ensure that the details of the environmental impacts of each option are made clear in the pros and cons section of the [project management options appraisal document](#).

Yes
  No
  Not applicable
 [please select]

If 'No' explain why environmental impacts have not been considered as part of the options appraisal process.

This is a government scheme that is carried out in line with funding instructions provided by DLUHC. [A Home office note](#) concludes, 'although it is possible for the interventions covered in this appraisal to have second-order impacts on security, traderelations and the environment, it is not possible for us to quantify the associated magnitude of these impacts'

## Step 2: What kinds of environmental impacts might the project have?

Analysis of impacts must be rigorous. Please demonstrate your analysis of any impacts of the proposal in this section, referring to evidence you have gathered. See detailed [guidance documents](#) for advice on identifying potential impacts.

### 2.1 Does the proposal create any benefits for the environment, or have any adverse impacts?

Outline any potential benefits of the proposal and how they can be maximised. Identify how the proposal will support [our corporate environmental objectives](#) and the wider [One City Climate and Ecological Emergency strategies](#).

Consider how the proposal creates environmental impacts in the following categories, both now and in the future.

**Reasonable efforts should be made to quantify stated benefit or adverse impacts wherever possible.**

Where the proposal is likely to have a beneficial impact, consider what actions would enhance those impacts. Where the proposal is likely to have a harmful impact, consider whether actions would mitigate these impacts.

Enhancements or mitigation actions are only required when there is a likely impact identified. Remember that where enhancements or mitigation actions are listed, they should be assigned to staff and appropriately resourced.

<b>GENERAL COMMENTS</b> (highlight any potential issues that might impact all or many categories)		
This scheme organises the support of guests from Ukraine making use of existing accommodation options and resources in Bristol. It does increase the wider footprint with the arrival of over 800 guests but this is a temporary arrangement pending the ending of conflict in their home country.		
<p><b>ENV1 Carbon neutral: Emissions of climate changing gases</b></p> <p>BCC has committed to achieving net zero emissions for its direct activities by 2025, and to support the city in achieving a Just Transition to net zero by 2030.</p> <p>Will the proposal involve transport, or the use of energy in buildings? Will the proposal involve the purchase of goods or services? If the answer is yes</p>	<p><b>Benefits</b></p>	<p>Guests will be very unlikely to arrive with their own transport, with the proportion not being car users in the city, using public transport where available.</p>
	<p><b>Enhancing actions</b></p>	<p>Guests are supported to make use of public transport where available as a first option for travel.</p>
<p><b>Persistence of effects:</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> 1 year or less                      <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 – 5 years                      <input type="checkbox"/> 5+ years</p>		

<p>to either of these questions, there will be a carbon impact.</p> <p>Consider the scale and timeframe of the impact, particularly if the proposal will lead to ongoing emissions beyond the 2025 and 2030 target dates.</p> <p><a href="#">Further guidance</a></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No impact</b></p>	<b>Adverse impacts</b>	Guests will increase use of transport resources in Bristol
	<b>Mitigating actions</b>	Prioritising use of public transport where available
	<b>Persistence of effects:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 year or less <input type="checkbox"/> 1 – 5 years <input type="checkbox"/> 5+ years	
<p><b>ENV2 Ecological recovery: Wildlife and habitats</b> BCC has committed to 30% of its land being managed for nature and to halve its use of pesticides by 2030.</p> <p>Consider how your proposal can support increased space for nature, reduced use of pesticides, reduce pollution to waterways, and reduce consumption of products that undermine ecosystems around the world.</p> <p>If your proposal will directly lead to a reduction in habitat within Bristol, then consider how your proposed mitigation can lead to a biodiversity net gain. Be sure to refer to quantifiable changes wherever possible.</p> <p><a href="#">Further guidance</a></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No impact</b></p>	<b>Benefits</b>	
	<b>Enhancing actions</b>	
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<p><b>ENV3 A cleaner, low-waste city: Consumption of resources and generation of waste</b></p> <p>Consider what resources will be used as a result of the proposal, how they can be minimised or swapped for less impactful ones, where</p>	<b>Benefits</b>	
	<b>Enhancing actions</b>	Guests will be using existing resources, sharing accommodation with sponsors, utilising second homes and empty homes, expanding affordable rental capacity, limiting new building or new resource use.
	<b>Persistence of effects:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 year or less <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 – 5 years <input type="checkbox"/> 5+ years	

<p>they will be sourced from, and what will happen to any waste generated</p> <p><a href="#">Further guidance</a></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No impact</b></p>	<p><b>Adverse impacts</b></p>	<p>Guests will make use of resources and utilities. This proposal will extend use for up to 2 years.</p>
	<p><b>Mitigating actions</b></p>	<p>Use of existing accommodation and public transport.</p>
	<p><b>Persistence of effects:</b>   <input type="checkbox"/> 1 year or less       <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 – 5 years       <input type="checkbox"/> 5+ years</p>	
<p><b>ENV4 Climate resilience: Bristol’s resilience to the effects of climate change</b></p> <p>Bristol’s climate is already changing, and increasingly frequent instances of extreme weather will become more likely over time.</p> <p>Consider how the proposal will perform during periods of extreme weather (particularly heat and flooding).</p> <p>Consider if the proposal will reduce or increase risk to people and assets during extreme weather events.</p> <p><a href="#">Further guidance</a></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No impact</b></p>	<p><b>Benefits</b></p>	
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<p><b>Statutory duty: Prevention of Pollution to air, water, or land</b></p> <p>Consider how the proposal will change the likelihood of pollution occurring to air,</p>	<p><b>Benefits</b></p>	
	<p><b>Enhancing actions</b></p>	
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	Mitigating actions	
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### Step 3: Actions

#### 3.1 Action Plan

Use this section summarise and assign responsibility for any actions you have identified to improve data, enhance beneficial, or mitigate negative impacts. Actions identified in section two can be grouped together if named responsibility is under the same person.

This action plan should be updated at each stage of the project. Please be aware that the Sustainable City and Climate Change Service may use this action plan as an audit checklist during the project’s implementation or operation.

Enhancing / mitigating action required	Responsible Officer	Timescale
Prioritising use of existing accommodation and public transport in the course of Homes for Ukraine Delivery Programme	Dan Berlin – Programme Manager	On going until March 2027.
Bring 10 empty homes into use	Dan Berlin – Programme Manager	March 2026

### Step 4: Review – for completion by the Environmental Performance Team

The Sustainable City and Climate Change Service need at least five working days to comment and feedback on your impact assessment. Assessments should only be marked as reviewed when they provide sufficient information for decision-makers on the environmental impact of the proposal. Please seek feedback and review from the [Environmental Performance Team](#) before final submission of your decision pathway documentation<sup>1</sup>.

Where impacts identified in this assessment are deemed significant, they will be summarised here and included on the cover sheet of the decision pathway documentation.

<b>Summary of significant beneficial impacts and opportunities to support the Climate, Ecological and Corporate Strategies (ENV1,2,3,4):</b>
BCC’s Environmental Impact Assessment has determined significant beneficial impacts from the proposal:
<b>Summary of significant adverse impacts and how they can be mitigated:</b>

<sup>1</sup> Review by the Environmental Performance Team confirms there is sufficient information for decision makers to consider the most relevant environmental impacts at the current stage of the proposal. This is not an endorsement or approval of the proposal.

BCC's Environmental Impact Assessment has determined significant adverse impacts from the proposal:

**Environmental Performance Team Reviewer:**

**Submitting author: Dan Berlin**

**Date:**

**Date: 14<sup>th</sup> May 2024**