

Future Generations Evaluation

(includes Equalities and Sustainability Impact Assessments)

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<p>Name of Service Tourism, Leisure, Culture & Youth</p>	<p>Date Future Generations Evaluation form completed 24 April 2019</p>

1. **Does your proposal deliver any of the well-being goals below?** Please explain the impact (positive and negative) you expect, together with suggestions of how to mitigate negative impacts or better contribute to the goal.

Well Being Goal	How does the proposal contribute to this goal? (positive and negative)	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
<p>A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs</p>	<p>The GGGP will support a climate resilient Gwent, providing multiple opportunities for access to quality greenspaces supporting healthy behaviours in visitors and residents alike. This will help shape a low carbon business sector, support local supply chains and facilitate green growth. It will connect local business, third sector, training and education bodies to work together to shape a greener Gwent, developing the required skills to maintain greenspaces in the long term. Encouraging healthy lifestyles will reduce the burden on high cost healthcare services long into the future.</p>	<p>Strategic collaboration will allow public bodies to share resources and reduce costs, through co-production and delivery.</p>
<p>A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate</p>	<p>Partners will identify local opportunities for built and natural protected sites contributing to the resilience of wider priority habitat networks. Projects will create and better manage species rich</p>	<p>The GGGP delivery is fully integrated with the associated Resilient Greater Gwent programme to deliver a collaborative framework for Green Infrastructure management across Gwent.</p>

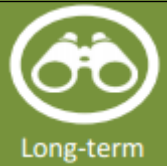

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change)	grassland, woodland, identify hedgerow and boundary improvements, whilst supporting habitat restoration and positive management for pollinators. We will improve eco-connectivity and ecosystem resilience between sites and across boundaries. Unsustainable policies and practices that undermine ecosystem resilience will be identified and demonstrator projects used to promote new approaches.	
<p>A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood</p>	Activities will lead to increased well-connected accessible green spaces, encouraging healthy lifestyles and delivering wider ecosystem services (recreational opportunities, improved air quality, noise reduction, shelter and improved water quality). Working directly with land managers, health professionals and behaviour change practitioners will ensure residents benefit fully from the well-being opportunities provided by high quality well connected outdoor environments.	This will be supported by an officer employed by the Health Board to deliver social prescribing and a well-being officer delivering wider health opportunities through a HIA and MWIA for Gwent (as part of the Resilient Greater Gwent programme).
<p>A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected</p>	The GGG projects will see an increase in new and collaborative ways of working at a regional and local level, with local engagement and volunteering through multiple projects leading to increased use of green space by whole communities and local ownership of spaces supporting friends groups and volunteers.	
<p>A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing</p>	GGGP projects will engage with key issues such as climate change mitigation actively seeking to tackle a range of issues such as flooding, carbon emissions and air pollution through appropriate improvement and management of green space and large trees to absorb heavy rainfall, provide clean air solutions, store surface water through SUDs and save energy.	
<p>A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language</p>	In SE Wales, we have a vibrant history of engaging with the natural resources in the area. The GGG	




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Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation	projects have been designed to help facilitate an ongoing sustainable relationship with natural resources, so the benefits they provide continue to be a fundamental part of the culture of current and future generations.	
A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances	The project will help reduce inequality by encouraging engagement and participation in the planning, delivery and use of GI to create an enhanced perception of the region as an attractive place to live work and visit.	

2. How has your proposal embedded and prioritised the sustainable governance principles in its development?

Sustainable Development Principle	How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle?	What has been done to better to meet this principle?
 <p>Long-term Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future</p>	The programme is set in a long-term context. Improved access to green spaces, habitat management, tree planting and education programmes are all intended to have long-term impacts. As part of the GGGP framework a legacy plan will form the exit strategy which will seek to build upon the findings of the proposed strategies, projects and community consultations.	Monitoring information will be collated through evaluation assessment to determine the success of the scheme and then develop into a robust forward plan embracing Area Statements, well-being plans and other collaborations to ensure its longevity for the future. It will set out partner commitments going forward.
 <p>Collaboration Working together with other partners to deliver objectives</p>	Collaboration has been central to the development of many aspects of this programme and is a fundamental in its delivery. By working closely with stakeholders we can improve the resilience of our communities and ecosystems. This supports the delivery of their climate change strategy ensuring that environmental adaptation is embedded in all areas of green infrastructure improvements	Partnership and governance includes the establishment of a Gwent Green Grid Partnership Board reporting to the cross-sector project board; the Gwent Strategic Wellbeing Assessment Group (GSWAG) that in turn reports to the G10. This governance structure will help ensure that wellbeing delivery is intrinsic to the delivery of the partnership and will ensure its legacy beyond the life of this one grant stream.

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 <p>Involvement Involving those with an interest and seeking their views</p>	<p>The involvement of residents and community organisations is vital to the development and delivery of this programme of work. Stakeholders are involved in deciding priorities, and volunteers play an important part in many elements from access improvement and clean-up campaigns to habitat management and species monitoring. The programme provides a number of opportunities for people to learn in, about and enjoy the natural environment by supporting volunteering and encouraging skills development.</p>	<p>The GGGP framework is integrated into the co-productive development and delivery of the SE Wales Area Statement (AS) and will act as a key delivery mechanism to facilitate establishment of a comprehensive baseline understanding of the area (drawing together a common area approach to ecosystem services and resilience monitoring, evaluation and representation).</p>
 <p>Prevention Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse</p>	<p>The programme of works will improve the health and well-being and resilience of communities, natural resources and ecosystems. This will improve overall resilience and sustainable development within the South East Wales region.</p>	
 <p>Integration Positively impacting on people, economy and environment and trying to benefit all three</p>	<p>All of the work set out in the programme contributes to more than one goal and applies the principles of the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources (SMNR).</p>	

3. Are your proposals going to affect any people or groups of people with protected characteristics? Please explain the impact, the evidence you have used and any action you are taking below.

Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Age	Positive through improved physical and intellectual access, volunteering and activity	None	
Disability	Positive through improved physical and intellectual access	None	
Gender reassignment	None	None	
Marriage or civil partnership	None	None	
Race	None	None	

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Religion or Belief	None	None	
Sex	None	None	
Sexual Orientation	None	None	
Welsh Language	Positive through supporting information provision	None	

4. Council has agreed the need to consider the impact its decisions has on the following important responsibilities: Social Justice, Corporate Parenting and Safeguarding. Are your proposals going to affect any of these responsibilities?

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Social Justice	Positive through improved physical and intellectual access, volunteering and activity for all	None	
Safeguarding	None	None	
Corporate Parenting	None	None	

5. What evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?

ENRaW Application dated September 2018
ENRaW Delivery Plan April 2018

6. SUMMARY: As a result of completing this form, what are the main positive and negative impacts of your proposal, how have they informed/changed the development of the proposal so far and what will you be doing in future?

The programme will develop regional and local collaborative working to deliver a consistent approach to Green Infrastructure (GI) management across Gwent and establish co-productive development and delivery of the SE Wales Area Statement (AS). As such it is long term and collaborative. The programme of works will improve the health and well-being and resilience of communities, natural resources and ecosystems. This will improve overall

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resilience and sustainable development within the South East Wales region. The programme contributes across well-being goals and applies the principles of the Sustainable Management of Natural Resources (SMNR). The programme provides a number of opportunities for people to learn in, about and enjoy the natural environment by supporting volunteering and encouraging skills development.

7. Actions. As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, if applicable.

What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible	Progress
Develop the programme with the delivery partners and Welsh Government and commence implementation	April - June	MCC (Green Infrastructure & Countryside Manager; Green Infrastructure Team leader; Senior Biodiversity & Ecology Officer; Rural Programmes Manager) and delivery partners	

8. Monitoring: The impacts of this proposal will need to be monitored and reviewed. Please specify the date at which you will evaluate the impact, and where you will report the results of the review.

The impacts of this proposal will be evaluated on:	The programme includes metrics to evaluate outputs, outcomes and associated benefits. A two-stage evaluation (mid-term and final) is proposed: Interim Evaluation (Q 4 year 2 late 2020 or to suit WG requirements) and Final Evaluation (end of year 3 or to suit WG requirements).
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