

Future Generations Evaluation (includes Equalities and Sustainability Impact Assessments)

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Name of Service	Date Future Generations Evaluation form completed
Planning	March 2017.

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?
A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs	Positive: An efficient development management process is underpinned by the service having an engaging pre-application advice service that can provide support and guidance for customers to ensure the best development possible for the benefit of local communities and to protect character and appearance of Monmouthshire. Planning can provide economic investment and growth, and can protect acknowledged interests such as local amenity and townscape therefore ensuing that customers are getting advice early in	Better contribute to positive impacts: Monmouthshire's bespoke pre-application advice service provides a customer focused service that enables customers to engage fully within Planning Officers and gain the correct advice to progress their developments and ensure that we receive applications for developments that are of a high standard. A fast track service will enhance this service and better meet the needs of our customers. Mitigate any negative impacts: Care will be taken to improve the understanding of the positive

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	the process is critical in securing positive outcomes and appropriate forms of development. Providing fast-track services will assist developers in getting a quicker response to be able to react to changes in demand. The additional services will enable property purchasers to achieve a quicker sale, assisting the property market and more confidence in buying.	implications of using the Council's fast track services which can benefit its customers in speeding up the process. The department will continue to monitor the efficiency of the services and ensure that they meet the service standards set out.
	Negative: The higher charge for fast track services may be considered to be costly to the consumer. It is an entirely optional service for customers to choose to receive a faster service. Those who do not use the new service should not receive a lesser service than at present, although we will need to prioritise workload.	
A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)	N/A	N/A
A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood	Positive: The additional services would enhance the current services which provide support and guidance for customers when submitting a planning application and provide the opportunity for officers to enhance schemes and provide acceptable forms of the development, which could improve Monmouthshire citizens' access to local	Better contribute to positive impacts: The approval and delivery of development proposals can have a positive impact on health and well-being and foster social and community pride in their communities. Mitigate any negative impacts: None

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	services, such as shops and health facilities, or prevent inappropriate development form harming the amenity of an area, or indeed the health of local people. Negative: None identified.	
A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected	Positive: The area of work undertaken by the planning section directly and indirectly influences the appearance, viability, safety and connectivity of communities via planning policy, land use planning decisions. Providing guidance and support to customers at an early stage in the planning process enables the best forms of development possible which is critical in providing sustainable communities. The fast track services only seek to enhance the current guidance. Negative: None identified.	Better contribute to positive impacts: The timely approval and delivery of sustainable development proposals can have a positive impact on the character and appearance of an area, promote well-being and foster social and community pride. Mitigate any negative impacts: None
A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing	Positive: The area of work undertaken by the planning section directly and indirectly influences local social, economic and environmental well-being via planning policy and land use planning decisions. However, the global-scale effect is acknowledged as being limited. Negative: none.	Better contribute to positive impacts: None Mitigate any negative impacts: None
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People	Positive : Planning decisions promote the value and significance of the historic built environment by ensuring that it is a direct consideration in planning policy and land use planning decisions.	Better contribute to positive impacts: Timely planning decisions will ensure that proposals foster civic pride through well-designed development in historic areas or through the removal of

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are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation	Planning decisions generally facilitate the provision of playing fields and recreational schemes in general. The Welsh language is now a material planning consideration. Negative: none.	development that has a negative impact on a heritage designation via enforcement action. Mitigate any negative impacts: None
A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances	Positive: Appropriate development management decisions should bring positive benefits to all members of Monmouthshire's population through policies that seek to achieve the five main aims of the Welsh Spatial Plan, namely Building Sustainable Communities, Promoting a Sustainable Economy, Valuing our Environment, Achieving Sustainable Accessibility and Respecting Our Environment Negative: none.	None.

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?	
Sh ne lo	alancing hort term eed with ong term and lanning for	We are required to look beyond the usual short term timescales for financial planning and political cycles and instead plan with the longer term in mind (i.e. 20+ years) The LDP covers the period 2011-21. The development management function which makes planning decisions seeks to implement the policies of the LDP. By its nature, therefore, it cannot look beyond the next five year period but the SA/SEA of the LDP would have ensured consideration of the impact on future generations.	Ensure that the LDP and its policies have been subject to an appropriate level of scrutiny	
Collaboration	Working together with other partners to deliver	Monmouthshire's bespoke services have been developed around the needs of our customers and to meet their needs. Members and officers of the Council have a specific interest in the subject to ensure that sustainable forms of development are developed in Monmouthshire.	N/A	
Involvement the intervention of the interventi	nvolving hose with an nterest and seeking their views	Who are the stakeholders who will be affected by your proposal? Have they been involved? The pre-application advice service review will be subject to consultation with Members of Planning Committee, whose Members have a specific interest in the subject, as well as senior officers of the Council, and will be taken into account.	As above.	

Sustainable Development Principle		How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle?	What has been done to better to meet this principle?	
into prevention	venting blems	The revised services would provide the legal basis for designated officers to make timely planning decisions at an appropriate level. The new services will enable customers to prevent sales where there may be planning enforcement issues or breaches of planning control.	N/A	
Positi impa peop econ	itively acting on	There is space to describe impacts on people, economy and environment under the Wellbeing Goals above, so instead focus here on how you will better integrate them and balance any competing impacts The work undertaken by the development management service directly relates to promoting and ensuring	The revised and new services would facilitate the implementation of the LDP which has been subject to a Sustainability Assessment that balances the impacts on Social, Economic and Environmental factors.	
and trying to benefit	all three	sustainable development and its three areas: environment, economy and society.		

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?
members of Monmoutl Sustainable Economy,	pre-application advice service within the Develonshire's population through policies that seek to Valuing our Environment and Respecting Our Environment (Respective Section 2018).	achieve some of the main aims of the Wels Environment, be it through making timely de	h Spatial Plan, namely Promoting a
Age	None	None	See above
Disability	None	None	See above
Gender reassignment	None	None	See above
Marriage or civil partnership	None	None	See above
Race	None	None	See above
Religion or Belief	None	None	See above
Sex	None	None	See above
Sexual Orientation	None	None	See above
Welsh Language	Under the Welsh Language measure of 2011, we need to be considering Welsh Language in signage, documentation, posters, language skills etc. Welsh is treated on equal terms as English in the planning process,	None	None

4. Council has agreed the need to consider the impact its decisions has on important responsibilities of Corporate Parenting and safeguarding. Are your proposals going to affect either of these responsibilities? For more information please see the guidance note http://hub/corporatedocs/Democratic%20Services/Equality%20impact%20assessment%20and%20safeguarding.docx and for more on Monmouthshire's Corporate Parenting Strategy see http://hub/corporatedocs/SitePages/Corporate%20Parenting%20Strategy.aspx

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Safeguarding	None.	None	n/a
Corporate Parenting	None.	None.	n/a

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

Monmouthshire's bespoke services have been developed using evidence and data from customer surveys and will be subject to regular review to ensure that the services are efficient and customer focused. We aim to collect feedback from our customers on the services over time and carry out regular review of our performance.

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?

This section should give the key issues arising from the evaluation which will be included in the Committee report template.

The work undertaken by the Council's Planning Service, and in particular the Development Management function, directly relates to promoting and ensuring sustainable development. The revised services would enable planning officers to engage with customers at all stages of the planning process to ensure the most appropriate forms of development are approved within Monmouthshire within the quickest period possible. The planning process promotes sustainable forms of development, helping to create jobs and investment, while protecting material interests such as amenity, public safety and biodiversity.

In terms of the protected characteristics of age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or beliefs, gender, sexual orientation, marriage or civil partnership, there are no direct implications as a result of this guidance.

7. Actions. As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, i applicable.				
N/A				
What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible	Progress	
•	f this proposal will need to be monithere you will report the results of the		pecify the date at which you will	
The impacts of this proposal	will be evaluated on:	As part of the Annual Perfo	rmance Report we will report our	
Particular to Property and Comment		performance on statutory pre-application advice enquires, which will be submitted to the Welsh Government and be publicly		

available. With the Monmouthshire bespoke services we will regularly review the services that we provide and report our

performance back to committee on an annual basis.

There are no implications, positive or negative for corporate parenting or safeguarding.