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Future Generations Evaluation (includes Equalities and Sustainability Impact Assessments)

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| <p>Name of Service</p> <p>MonLife</p> | <p>Date Future Generations Evaluation form completed</p> <p>25 October 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? |
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| <p>A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs</p> | <p>Contributing to supporting sustainable economic development in Monmouthshire is a key objective (Objective 5) including promoting the sustainable use of natural resources to support the local green economy and develop skills and learning. Creating opportunities for new businesses / income generation, skills development and job creation from environmental land management and conservation, tourism and green technologies; and capitalising on the ability of ecosystems</p> | |

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| | services provided by GI assets to alleviate local social and economic issues such as management of flood risk. | |
| <p>A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)</p> | <p>Contributing to enhancing biodiversity and increasing ecosystem resilience is a key objective for the GI Strategy (Objective 2) including improving ecosystem resilience through improved land management for biodiversity and promoting actions that work with a range of partners to deliver landscape scale interventions delivering multiple benefits. Contributing to increasing climate change resilience in Monmouthshire is also a key objective (Objective 4) including ensuring land and water in Monmouthshire is managed sustainably in an integrated way and reducing the risk from environmental hazards such as flooding and pollution.</p> | <p>To ensure clear links with the Climate Emergency Action Plan via the green infrastructure and tree asset working group which has been established to focus on these issues;</p> <p>Reporting progress on the Monmouthshire Biodiversity and Ecosystem Resilience Forward Plan (required by the end of 2019) and coordinating input by all internal stakeholders into the new plan (workshop planned for mid-November 2019)</p> <p>Close working with the Resilient Greater Gwent and the Gwent Green Grid Partnerships.</p> |
| <p>A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood</p> | <p>Contributing to improving the health and well-being of communities (Objective 1) enhancing biodiversity and increasing ecosystem resilience in Monmouthshire (Objective 2) and strengthening the landscape character and distinctiveness of Monmouthshire (Objective 3) all contribute to physical and mental health. Including improved access to outdoor opportunities and promoting actions that enable and encourage local communities to use, manage and enjoy their local areas for health, wellbeing and community cohesion – with a particular focus on disadvantaged communities and active travel routes.</p> | <p>Ensure close working with the development of Active Travel proposals and the implementation of the Rights of Way Improvement Plan, including the regional access strategy as part of the Gwent Green Grid Partnership.</p> |

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| <p>A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected</p> | <p>Contributing to improving the health and well-being of communities (Objective 1) including actions that enable and encourage local communities to use, manage and enjoy their local areas for health, wellbeing and community cohesion e.g. local food and community growing</p> | |
| <p>A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing</p> | <p>Contributing to increasing climate change resilience (Objective 4) by making a positive contribution to global well-being by helping address the challenges of climate change locally</p> | <p>Links to the Climate Emergency Action Plan as a resilient Wales above</p> |
| <p>A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation</p> | <p>Contributing to improving the health and well-being of communities is a key objective for the GI Strategy (Objective 1) Contributing to strengthening the landscape character and distinctiveness of Monmouthshire is a key objective for the GI Strategy (Objective 3)</p> | |
| <p>A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances</p> | <p>Contributing to improving the health and well-being of communities (Objective 1) by enabling free access to greenspace and recreation.</p> | |

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

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| Sustainable Development Principle | How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle? | What has been done to better to meet this principle? |
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|  <p>Long-term</p> <p>Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future</p> | <p>The Strategy aims to balance current and long-term needs for GI.</p> | |
|  <p>Collaboration</p> <p>Working together with other partners to deliver objectives</p> | <p>It promotes working with a range of stakeholders to meet its GI objectives</p> | |
|  <p>Involvement</p> <p>Involving those with an interest and seeking their views</p> | <p>It involves people affected by actions in delivery of GI projects.</p> | |
|  <p>Prevention</p> <p>Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse</p> | <p>The GI Strategy encourages taking action now to prevent problems in the future.</p> | |
|  <p>Integration</p> <p>Positively impacting on people, economy and environment and trying to benefit all three</p> | <p>It reflects a joined up approach to communities and people, the economy, the environment and culture.</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? |
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| 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? |
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| Age | There are no direct impacts on protected characteristics but the provision of further green infrastructure, its sympathetic management and the promotion of good quality access will assist the whole population | None | |
| Disability | As above | None | |
| Gender reassignment | As above | None | |
| Marriage or civil partnership | As above | None | |
| Race | As above | None | |
| Religion or Belief | As above | None | |
| Sex | As above | None | |
| Sexual Orientation | As above | None | |
| Welsh Language | As above | 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? |
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| Social Justice | Positive by enabling free access to greenspace and recreation. | None | |

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| Safeguarding | None | None | |
| Corporate Parenting | None | None | |

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

GI Strategy, workshops, stakeholders input and final documents

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 delivery of a GI strategy contributes across the wellbeing goals including enhancing biodiversity and ecosystem / climate change resilience, encouraging healthy lifestyles and improving well-being for communities. The provision of further green infrastructure, its sympathetic management and the promotion of good quality access will assist the whole population

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 |
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| Seek views if the Strong Community Select Committee prior to seeking cabinet approval | November 2019 | Green Infrastructure and Countryside Manager | |

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: Prior to cabinet consideration.