

## Appendix 2



## Future Generations Evaluation (includes Equalities and Sustainability Impact Assessments)

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<p><b>Name of Service</b></p> <p>Planning</p>	<p><b>Date Future Generations Evaluation form completed</b></p> <p>04/02/2020</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><b>A prosperous Wales</b> Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs</p>	<p><b>Positive:</b> The proposed charge seeks to support proposals for appropriate, sustainable development where they accord with the LDP policy framework. This will deliver much needed development, including new homes and employment opportunities in settlements in Monmouthshire.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> None.</p>	<p><b>Better contribute to positive impacts:</b> Ensure that this guidance is accurately interpreted and implemented.</p>
<p><b>A resilient Wales</b> Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)</p>	<p><b>Positive:</b> The effective monitoring of planning obligations will have the potential to ensure that proposals conserve and enhance existing ecological networks within Monmouthshire. There is also the potential for proposals to protect and enhance landscape etc. in accordance with the LDP policy framework.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> None.</p>	<p><b>Mitigate Negative Impacts:</b> Ensure that biodiversity, landscape interests etc. are appropriately considered in assessing any planning application and that good standards of design, landscaping etc. are achieved.</p>
<p><b>A healthier Wales</b> People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood</p>	<p><b>Positive:</b> The effective monitoring of planning obligations that deliver necessary community infrastructure, including green infrastructure can</p>	<p><b>Better contribute to positive impacts:</b> Ensure that the relevant guidance, as set out in this proposal, is accurately interpreted and implemented.</p>


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>assist in promoting good health, independence and well-being of Monmouthshire's citizens.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> None.</p>	
<p><b>A Wales of cohesive communities</b> Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected</p>	<p><b>Positive:</b> The provision of appropriate community infrastructure contributes to the sustainability and cohesiveness of settlements in Monmouthshire supporting opportunities for new homes and employment and leisure development. This supports the local economy and build sustainable resilient communities.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> None.</p>	<p><b>Better contribute to positive impacts:</b> Ensure that the relevant guidance, as set out in this proposal is accurately interpreted and implemented.</p>
<p><b>A globally responsible Wales</b> Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing</p>	<p><b>Positive:</b> This proposal supports the implementation of sustainable development as supported by policies of the LDP which has been subject to a Sustainability Appraisal and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SA/SEA) to ensure that social, economic and environmental objectives are met, thereby contributing to sustainable development and global well-being.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> None.</p>	<p><b>Better contribute to positive impacts:</b> Ensure that the relevant guidance, as set out in this proposal is accurately interpreted and implemented.</p>
<p><b>A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language</b> Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation</p>	<p><b>Positive:</b> The proposed monitoring charge would have a positive general impact on culture, heritage and language, in that it would help to secure contributions from developers that may conserve the character and quality of Monmouthshire's countryside and natural heritage value and on occasions enhance them.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> None.</p>	<p><b>Better contribute to positive impacts:</b> Ensure that the relevant guidance, as set out in this proposal, is accurately interpreted and implemented.</p>

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><b>A more equal Wales</b> People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances</p>	<p><b>Positive:</b> The proposal should bring positive benefits to Monmouthshire’s residents by opening up opportunities for appropriate, sustainable development that complies with the LDP policy framework, enabling employment, leisure and housing provision in settlements in Monmouthshire. All LDP policies, have been subject to a Sustainability Appraisal that measures their performance against sustainability objectives, including equality measures.</p> <p><b>Negative:</b> None.</p>	<p><b>Better contribute to positive impacts:</b> Ensure that the relevant guidance, as set out in this proposal, is accurately interpreted and implemented.</p>

**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>Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future</p>	<p><i>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)</i></p> <p>The LDP covers the period 2011-21. This proposal supports the provision of sustainable development that is the purpose of the LDP. By its nature, therefore, it cannot look beyond this period but the SA/SEA of the LDP would have ensured consideration of the impact on future generations.</p> <p>The LDP housing policy framework seeks to balance the short term need for housing development and viability issues with the longer term need to create balanced and sustainable communities. The provision of appropriate development increases opportunities within the local housing stock for local communities and residents.</p>	<p>Ensure that the relevant guidance, as set out in this proposal is accurately interpreted and implemented.</p> <p>The LDP and its policies have been subject to SA/SEA. The replacement LDP will be subject to SA/SEA.</p> <p>LDP AMRs will provide both an annual evaluation of plan performance, and year by year comparison from which emerging long term trends may be identified and reported on. This will help inform the evidence base for the replacement LDP.</p>
 <p>Working together with other partners to deliver objectives</p>	<p>This proposal has been produced in liaison with the Council's S106 working group that includes both Members and key officers from the areas associated with infrastructure delivery. Feedback has been sought from neighbouring planning authorities in SE Wales as well as stakeholders who use Monmouthshire's planning service.</p>	<p>The monitoring charge proposal supports LDP housing and other detailed policies. The LDP was subject to extensive community and stakeholder engagement and consultation throughout the plan preparation process. This provided those interested parties with the opportunity to make representations on the policy framework to the Council and to an independent inspector who examined the LDP.</p> <p>LDP AMRs will provide both an annual evaluation of plan performance, including housing and design policies, and year by year comparison from which emerging long term trends may be identified and reported on. This will inform the evidence base for the replacement LDP. The replacement LDP will be taken forward through extensive community and stakeholder engagement, expanding on the methods used previously.</p>

Sustainable Development Principle	How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle?	What has been done to better to meet this principle?
 <p>Involving those with an interest and seeking their views</p>	<p>This proposal has been produced in liaison with the Council's S106 working group that includes both Members and key officers from the areas associated with infrastructure delivery. Feedback has been sought from neighbouring planning authorities in SE Wales as well as stakeholders who use Monmouthshire's planning service.</p> <p>.</p> <p>.</p>	<p>The monitoring charge proposal supports LDP housing and other detailed policies. The LDP was subject to extensive community and stakeholder engagement and consultation throughout the plan preparation process. This provided those interested parties with the opportunity to make representations on the policy framework to the Council and to an independent inspector who examined the LDP.</p> <p>LDP AMRs will provide both an annual evaluation of plan performance, including housing and design policies, and year by year comparison from which emerging long term trends may be identified and reported on. This will inform the evidence base for the replacement LDP. The replacement LDP will be taken forward through extensive community and stakeholder engagement, expanding on the methods used previously.</p>
 <p>Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse</p>	<p>The requirement for this proposal has arisen from the need to resource the monitoring of S106 obligations in an adequate manner. The Council seeks to support and adopt a positive approach to appropriate and sustainable development where it accords with the LDP policy framework.</p> <p>The proposal is a means ensuring the quality of schemes are improved by the careful monitoring of development, and enabling development proposals that supply community infrastructure are then welcomed by the existing community.</p>	<p>The adoption and implementation of this proposal will support sustainable development where it accords with the LDP policy framework.</p>

Sustainable Development Principle	How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle?	What has been done to better to meet this principle?
 <p data-bbox="331 280 517 475">Positively impacting on people, economy and environment and trying to benefit all three</p>	<p data-bbox="546 197 1332 292">This proposal supports the implementation of the LDP which has been subject to a SA/SEA that balances the impacts on social, economic and environmental factors.</p>	<p data-bbox="1352 197 2116 427">The AMRs will examine the impacts of the LDP over the longer term and evidence the emergence of any trends at different spatial scales. Delivering sustainable development (social, economic and environmental) is central to the LDP. Continue to monitor indicators, including housing and employment policy indicators and targets, to inform future AMRs.</p> <p data-bbox="1352 464 2116 555">The replacement LDP will be subject to a SA/SEA that balances the impacts on social, economic and environment factors.</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	None	None	N/A
Disability	None	None	N/A
Gender reassignment	None	None	N/A
Marriage or civil partnership	None	None	N/A
Race	None	None	N/A
Religion or Belief	None	None	N/A
Sex	None	None	N/A
Sexual Orientation	None	None	N/A

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?
Welsh Language	None	None	N/A

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 Local Development Plan (2011-2021).

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.*

**Positive:** The charging proposal seeks to support sustainable development in the county subject to compliance with the LDP policy framework, providing this is not at the expense of the County's natural and built environment. This will assist in providing new homes, jobs, education and leisure opportunities,



providing positive impacts on the local economy. The positive impacts on the local economy are essential to the well-being of local communities and residents throughout Monmouthshire.

**Future:** Ensure that this proposal if agreed, leads to effective monitoring of planning obligations and that the effectiveness of the relevant LDP policies is assessed on an annual basis in the LDP AMR.

**Negative:** Some smaller developers may be impacted by the proposed charge but the cost will be proportionate and reasonable and is highly unlikely to cause viability issues in its own right.

**Future:** LDP AMRs will provide both an annual evaluation of plan performance policy, and year by year comparison from which emerging long term trends may be identified and reported on. This will inform the evidence base for the replacement LDP.

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

<b>What are you going to do</b>	<b>When are you going to do it?</b>	<b>Who is responsible</b>	<b>Progress</b>
N/A			

**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.**

<b>The impacts of this proposal will be evaluated on:</b>	Impacts will be evaluated where relevant on a regular basis in the required LDP Annual Monitoring Report. The next AMR will be reported for political decision prior to submitting to the Welsh Government by 31 October 2020 and will be available on the MCC website.
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