

Domestic Abuse Climate Impact Assessment

Project details

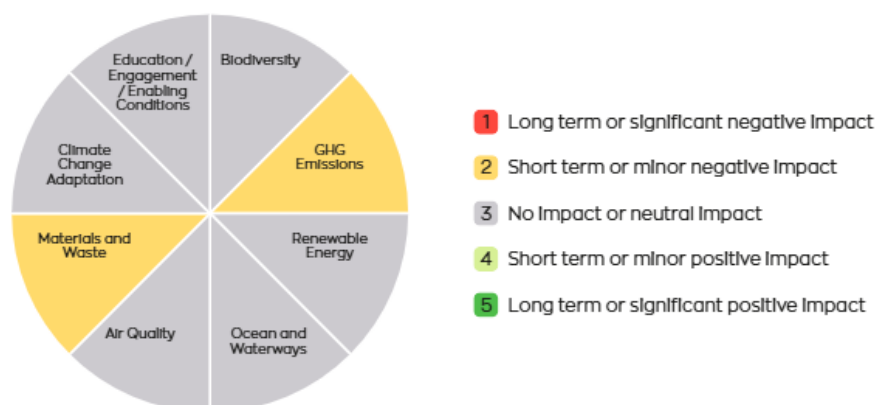
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Project summary

The procurement of Plymouth's Domestic Abuse Service (PDAS) to support people who are victims/survivors of domestic abuse including children and those who cause harm.

Summary of assessment



Currently this is forward planning for the acquiring additional housing stock with the preference for existing accommodation to the reduce waste, maximise energy efficiency and preference for accommodation accessible to public transport.

Assessment scores

Biodiversity

Score

(3) No impact or neutral impact

Score justification

Plymouth's domestic abuse services are delivered in the community or in safe accommodation settings. There is no direct impact on biodiversity as a result of this work.

GHG Emissions

Score

(2) Short term or limited negative impact

Score justification

There is potential to expand the safe accommodation units for use of existing or new buildings over the lifetime of the contract. However, preference will be given to existing housing stock.

Mitigatory measures applied:

The Council will work with housing providers to minimise the greenhouse gas emissions during the acquisition, refurbishment or building of additional accommodation unit, adopting retrofit measures to increase overall energy efficiency. Preference will also be given to housing accessible by public transport to minimise reliance on the car.

Renewable Energy

Score

(3) No impact or neutral impact

Score justification

The Council will work with housing providers to maximise the use of renewable energy during the acquisition, refurbishment or building of additional accommodation units.

Ocean and Waterways

Score

(3) No impact or neutral impact

Score justification

The procurement of Plymouth's Domestic Abuse Service may lead to additional safe accommodation units being required which may increase the amount of water needing to be treated as sewage if these are new units rather than repurposing of existing accommodation. However, sufficient infrastructure is in place across the city and this is not likely to place any significant additional strain on the city.

Air Quality

Score

(3) No impact or neutral impact

Score justification

Plymouth's Domestic Abuse Service is primarily for existing residents in Plymouth although there is a reciprocal arrangement with other local authorities the net gain of residents is negligible. Preference will also be given to housing accessible by public transport to minimise reliance on the car.

Materials and Waste

Score

(2) Short term or limited negative impact

Score justification

Plymouth's Domestic Abuse Service may require additional units of safe accommodation.

Mitigatory measures applied:

The Council will work with housing providers to minimise the impact of waste and maximise reusing existing structures during the acquisition, refurbishment or building of additional accommodation units.

Climate Change Adaptation

Score

(3) No impact or neutral impact

Score justification

Plymouth's Domestic Abuse Service will carry out a climate impact assessment before any new safe accommodation is acquired, refurbished or built to minimise the negative impact on the environment.

Education / Engagement / Enabling Conditions

Score

(3) No impact or neutral impact

Score justification

Plymouth's new Domestic Abuse Service has not been commissioned to educate and / or engage on the impact of climate change.