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Historic Environment Policies**

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## Policy HE1 –The Historic Environment

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
1.To protect, conserve and enhance a high quality multifunctional green infrastructure network, including biodiversity and geodiversity that is ecologically connected	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	<p>The policy seeks to protect the historic environment parts of which may contribute to or enhance the setting of and be part of the GI network. The policy specifically references the protection, restoration and appreciation of the canals which are a significant part of the borough's GI network.</p> <p>In terms of the HRA the policy has been screened out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.</p>	No mitigation required. Local Plan policies N1 to N3 on nature address Green Infrastructure. In addition, PfE Greener chapter also addresses this objective.	None
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	<p>The policy seeks to protect the historic environment parts of which may contribute to or enhance the setting or sense of place of open spaces. The</p>	No mitigation required. Local Plan policies CO1 'Protection of Existing Open Spaces' and CO2 'New and Enhanced Open Spaces' address open space.	None

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						policy specifically references the protection, restoration and appreciation of the canals which are a recreation route.	In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-P7 'Sport and Recreation' address this objective.	
3. To protect and enhance the character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to protect and enhance the historic environment which makes a significant contribution to the landscape, townscapes, local distinctiveness, and sense of place. The policy seeks to ensure the appearance of the conservation area is preserved and enhanced and recognises the mill clusters identified within the Mill's Strategy which should be considered in terms of their contribution to landscape.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-G1 'Landscape Character' and JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' addresses this objective.	None
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment,	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy directly relates to this objective.	No mitigation required. Policies HE2 to HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' and JP-P2 'Heritage' also	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
heritage assets and their setting							addresses the historic environment.	
5. To promote high quality, beautiful design that meets local design expectations	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to ensure development within or affecting the historic environment positively conserves and enhances the historic environment and historic assets. It includes particular reference to development within the conservation area and reference to conservation area management plans, which will ensure design expectations are met.	No mitigation required. Policies D1 to D7 of the Local Plan and PfE Policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' also address design.	None
6. To ensure land and buildings are used in an effective and efficient manner, maximising the use of	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to conserve and where appropriate enhance existing heritage assets, with particular reference to Oldham's Mills and safeguarding this asset and vacant assets within the town centre conservation area, as a	No mitigation required. Policy H3 'Density of New Housing' and CO9 'Creating Sustainable and Accessible Communities' of the Local Plan also address objective.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
brownfield land						key resource of brownfield land thereby reducing the need for development on greenfield land.	In addition, PfE Policies Policy JP-S1 'Sustainable Places' and Policy JP-H4 also addresses efficient use of land.	
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes no direct contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure.	None.
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The historic environment makes a positive contribution to health and well-being, including for visitors. The policy seeks to protect and enhance the historic environment.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P6 'Health' and policies within the Local Plan including CO7 'Health Impact Assessments in New Development', CO8 on 'Hot Food Takeaways' and policies on green infrastructure address health and well-being.	None
9. To minimise and mitigate against flood risk and adapt	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes no direct contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment' and policies CC3 'Managing Flood Risk'	None

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to the effects of flood risk							and CC4 'Sustainable Drainage – Foul and Surface Water' of the Local Plan also addresses flood risk.	
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and availability of water resources	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy will protect and enable restoration and appreciation of the canals, in terms of their contribution to the historic environment.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment' and policies within the Local Plan including policy CC5 'Water Efficiency' and CC6 'Groundwater Source Protection Zones' also address impacts on water quality.	None.
11. To protect and improve soil quality, best and most versatile agricultural land, and remediate contaminated land	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to ensure the protection and enhancement of heritage assets, including mills, which from their industrial legacy often include contaminated land.	No mitigation required. PfE policies JP-G9 'A Net Enhancement of Biodiversity and Geodiversity' and Policy LE2 'Ground Conditions and Contaminated Land' of the Local Plan also addresses soil and contaminated land.	None.



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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
12. To minimise energy use, promote energy efficiency and the use of renewable and low carbon energy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes no direct contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE policies JP-S2 'Carbon and Energy', JP-S3 'Heat and Energy Networks' and JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' also addresses energy in addition to Local Plan policies CC1 'Sustainable Construction, Energy Efficiency and Retrofitting' and CC2 'Renewable and Low Carbon Energy'.	None
13. To ensure communities and infrastructure are resilient to the effects of climate change	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes no direct contribution to this objective.	PfE includes policies which addresses this objective including Policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places', JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment'. Within the Local Plan policies that address this objective include CC3 'Managing Flood Risk' and CC4 'Sustainable Drainage – Foul and Surface Water' and N3 'Enhancing Green	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							Infrastructure through development'.	
14. To protect and improve air quality	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes no direct contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S6 'Clean Air' and Policy LE3 'Air Quality' of the Local Plan address air quality.	None
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy directly seeks to protect and enhance the borough's historic environment and assets, which contributes to improving environmental quality.	No mitigation required. PfE policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' and policies LE1-LE3 of the Local Plan also addresses environmental quality.	None
16. To promote an integrated and improved transport system that provides sustainable transport choices and improves connectivity, including the walking and	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy seeks to protect and enable the restoration of the canals which are also Recreation Routes and pass-through adjoining authorities. The Oldham Town Centre Conversation Area Management Plan includes recommendations on improving the public realm which will encourage active travel.	No mitigation required. PfE 'Connected Places' chapter includes policies alongside Local Plan policies T1-3 and design policies that address promoting sustainable transport choices.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
cycling network and the protection of the PROW Network								
17. To promote accessibility to key services and reduce the need to travel	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-C1 'An Integrated Network' and Local Plan policies CO9 'Creating Sustainable and Accessible Communities', C2 'Local Services and Facilities' and H1 'Delivering a Diverse Housing Offer' can help influence meeting this objective.	None
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	++	++	++	Permanent	Locale	The policy directly seeks to promote and support heritage-led regeneration and development.	No mitigation required. All the policies within PfE and the Local Plan seek to aid regeneration and tackle reducing deprivation and disparity.	None
19. To promote sustainable economic	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy seeks to promote and support heritage-led regeneration and development, this could involve economic	No mitigation required. PfE policy JP-J1 'Supporting Long-Term Economic Growth' and JP-J2 'Employment Sites and	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
growth and job creation						growth and job creation for local residents and residents outside of the borough.	Premises' and policies within the Economy and Employment section of the Local Plan also addresses economic growth.	
20. To protect and enhance the vitality and viability of Oldham Town Centre and the centres of Chadderton, Failsworth, Hill Stores, Lees, Royton, Shaw and Uppermill	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to promote and enhance the historic environment and its assets many of which fall within the borough's centres. Also, the policy seeks to enhance Oldham Town Centre Conservation Area with the aim of removing it from the 'at risk' register which will improve the vitality of the centre as a whole.	No mitigation. PfE policy JP-P4 'New Retail and Leisure Uses in Town Centres', JP-H4 'Density of New Housing', JP-P3 'Cultural Facilities' and JP-P2 'Heritage' and Local Plan Policies C1 'Our Centres', C3 'Retail and Leisure Impact Assessments and Sequential Tests' and C4 'Changes of use and redevelopment within the borough's centres' as well as policies for Oldham Town centre and housing supports this objective.	None
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	Enhancement and protection of the borough's historic environment, including heritage-led regeneration and	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P3 'Cultural Facilities' and JP-P4 'New Retail and Leisure Uses in Town Centres' and Local	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						development will directly support sustainable tourism and leisure.	Plan policies C3 'Retail and Leisure Impact Assessments and Sequential Tests', CO4 'Cultural, Community and Health Facilities' and TM1 'Tourism' as well as other policies also addresses tourism and leisure.	
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes no direct contribution to this objective, although does seek to maximise opportunities to increase the understanding and interpretation of the borough's historic environment, which facilitates learning.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P5 'Education, Skills and Knowledge' and Local Plan policies CO5 'Education and Skills' and CO6 'Securing Educational Places through New Residential Development' address this objective.	None
23. To provide a sustainable housing land supply and an appropriate mix of sizes, types and tenures to	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to safeguard heritage assets including the Mills which provide a key housing land supply resource, and to promote heritage-led regeneration and development which could	No mitigation required. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan on housing address this objective.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
meet local housing needs						include the provision of housing.		
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable management of minerals	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy ensures heritage-led regeneration and development which would involve the sustainable management of minerals and the reuse of heritage assets such as the mills would reduce the need for new development and therefore contribute to the prudent use and sustainable management of minerals which is a strategic matter.	No mitigation required. The Minerals DPD also addresses objective.	None
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy has no direct impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. The Waste DPD also addresses objective.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy has no direct impact on this objective, but opportunities for increasing the understanding of the historic environment are	No mitigation required. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan such as those on housing mix and tenure, communities and design	None

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	<b>ST &lt; 5 years</b>	<b>MT 5-10 years</b>	<b>LT 10+ years</b>	<b>T or P</b>	<b>Local or Cross-boundary</b>			
sustainable communities						promoted through this policy.	aim to address this objective.	

The policy scores a mixture of neutrals, positives and significantly positives. No mitigation or enhancements to the policy was required as a result of the IA.

In terms of the HRA the policy has been screened out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.

## Policy HE2 – Securing the Preservation and Enhancement of Oldham’s Heritage Assets

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
1.To protect, conserve and enhance a high quality multifunctional green infrastructure network, including biodiversity and geodiversity that is ecologically connected	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy seeks to protect the historic environment which includes elements of GI, such as open space and Green Belt, which may contribute towards the setting of heritage assets. Many GI assets are heritage assets in themselves.</p> <p>In terms of the HRA the policy has been screened out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.</p>	No mitigation required. Local Plan policies N1 to N3 on nature address Green Infrastructure. In addition, PfE Greener chapter also address this objective.	None
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to protect the historic environment parts of which may overlap with open spaces.	No mitigation required. Local Plan policies CO1 ‘Protection of Existing Open Spaces’ and CO2 ‘New and Enhanced	None



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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							Open Spaces' address open space.  In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-P7 'Sport and Recreation' address this objective.	
3. To protect and enhance the character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to protect and enhance the historic environment which makes a significant contribution to the landscape, townscapes, local distinctiveness and sense of place.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-G1 'Landscape Character' and JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' addresses this objective.	None
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy directly relates to this objective and should have a positive impact.	No mitigation required. Policies HE1 and HE3 to HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' and JP-P2	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
and their setting							'Heritage' also addresses the historic environment.	
5. To promote high quality, beautiful design that meets local design expectations	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to ensure development preserves and enhances heritage assets and their settings. This will in itself lead to higher quality design that helps create beautiful places, in particular where work involves heritage at risk. The policy requires development to be designed sympathetically.	No mitigation required. Policies D1 to D7 of the Local Plan and PfE Policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' also address design.	None
6. To ensure land and buildings are used in an effective and efficient manner, maximising the use of brownfield land	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to ensure development preserves and enhances heritage assets and their settings. It states the council will support opportunities to put heritage assets to viable sustainable uses. The policy will therefore have a direct impact through the reuse of heritage	No mitigation required. Policy H3 'Density of New Housing' and CO9 'Creating Sustainable and Accessible Communities' of the Local Plan also address objective.  In addition, PfE Policies Policy JP-S1 'Sustainable Places'	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						assets which will ensure that brownfield land and buildings are used effectively, reducing pressure on greenfield land.	and Policy JP-H4 also addresses efficient use of land.	
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	It is not considered that the policy has an impact on this objective, although it is noted that the green infrastructure elements of the historic environment will form part of infrastructure.	No mitigation required. There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure.	None
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The historic environment makes a positive contribution to health and well-being for residents and visitors. The policy seeks to preserve and enhance the historic environment, which can have wider social benefits. The policy also ensures that public benefits are taken into account when assessing proposals with the	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P6 'Health' and policies within the Local Plan including CO7 'Health Impact Assessments in New Development', CO8 on 'Hot Food Takeaways' and policies on green infrastructure address health and well-being.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						supporting text referring to health deprivation.		
9. To minimise and mitigate against flood risk and adapt to the effects of flood risk	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes no direct contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP—S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment' and policies CC3 'Managing Flood Risk' and CC4 'Sustainable Drainage – Foul and Surface Water' of the Local Plan also addresses flood risk.	None
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and availability of water resources	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy will protect and enable restoration and appreciation of the canals, in terms of their contribution to the historic environment. Indirectly there may be opportunities through redevelopment / regeneration of mills to improve the quality of associated water bodies.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP—S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment' and policies within the Local Plan including CC5 'Water Efficiency' and CC6 'Groundwater Source Protection Zones' also address impacts on water quality.	None
11. To protect and improve soil quality,	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to ensure the preservation and enhancement of	No mitigation required. PfE policies JP-G9 'A Net Enhancement of	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
best and most versatile agricultural land, and remediate contaminated land						heritage assets, including the mills, which from their industrial legacy often include contaminated land.	Biodiversity and Geodiversity' and Policy LE2 'Ground Conditions and Contaminated Land' of the Local Plan also addresses soil and contaminated land.	
12. To minimise energy use, promote energy efficiency and the use of renewable and low carbon energy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes no direct contribution to this objective although it is noted that the reuse of heritage assets contributes towards using less energy through construction.	No mitigation required. PfE policies JP-S2 'Carbon and Energy', JP-S3 'Heat and Energy Networks' and JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' also addresses energy in addition to Local Plan policies CC1 'Sustainable Construction, Energy Efficiency and Retrofitting' and CC2 'Renewable and Low Carbon Energy'.	None
13. To ensure communities and infrastructure are resilient to	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes no direct contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE includes policies which addresses this objective including Policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places',	None

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the effects of climate change							JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment'. Within the Local Plan policies that address this objective include CC3 'Managing Flood Risk' and CC4 'Sustainable Drainage – Foul and Surface Water' and N3 'Enhancing Green Infrastructure through development'.	
14. To protect and improve air quality	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes no direct contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S6 'Clean Air' and Policy LE3 'Air Quality' of the Local Plan address air quality.	None
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy directly seeks to preserve and enhance the borough's historic environment and assets, which contributes to improving environmental quality, particularly where	No mitigation required. PfE policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' and policies LE1-LE3 of the Local Plan also addresses environmental quality.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						heritage assets are at risk.		
16. To promote an integrated and improved transport system that provides sustainable transport choices and improves connectivity, including the walking and cycling network and the protection of the PROW Network	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy seeks to preserve and enhance heritage assets which does include canals which form part of the transport network however it is not felt that the policy wording is such that the impact of this policy alone will make a strong enough contribution to score positive.	No mitigation required. PfE 'Connected Places' chapter includes policies alongside Local Plan policies T1-3 and design policies that address promoting sustainable transport choices.	None
17. To promote accessibility to key services and reduce the need to travel	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-C1 'An integrated Network' and Local Plan policies CO9 'Creating Sustainable and Accessible Communities', C2 'Local Services and	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							Facilities' and H1 'Delivering a Diverse Housing Offer' can help influence meeting this objective.	
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy states the council will support opportunities to put heritage assets to viable sustainable uses consistent with their conservation and sensitive restoration. This will directly aid regeneration and help tackle deprivation through the secondary benefits, which could have a wider than local impact. Assessing public benefits will also consider wider economic and social benefits of a scheme.	No mitigation required. The Local Plan promotes regeneration in several ways. Reducing deprivation and disparity is a key aim of the Local Plan.	None
19. To promote sustainable economic growth and job creation	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy states the council will support opportunities to put heritage assets to viable sustainable uses	No mitigation required. PfE policy JP-J1 'Supporting Long-Term Economic Growth' and JP-J2 'Employment	None



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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						consistent with their conservation and sensitive restoration. This may include uses associated with job creation and also specialist heritage skills required for any construction works.	Sites and Premises' and policies within the Economy and Employment section of the Local Plan also addresses economic growth.	
20. To protect and enhance the vitality and viability of Oldham Town Centre and the centres of Chadderton, Failsworth, Hill Stores, Lees, Royton, Shaw and Uppermill	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy states the council will support opportunities to put heritage assets to viable sustainable uses consistent with their conservation and sensitive restoration. This will include assets within centres therefore helping to enhance the vitality and viability through making centres more attractive for future investment. The centres tend to have a high concentration of heritage assets and so the impact within these areas should be more	No mitigation. PfE policy JP-P4 'New Retail and Leisure Uses in Town Centres', JP-H4 'Density of New Housing', JP-P3 'Cultural Facilities' and JP-P2 'Heritage' and Local Plan Policies C1 'Our Centres', C3 'Retail and Leisure Impact Assessments and Sequential Tests' and C4 'Changes of use and redevelopment within the borough's centres' as well as policies for Oldham Town centre and	None

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						significant, particularly Oldham Town Centre.	housing supports this objective.	
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy states the council will support opportunities to put heritage assets to viable sustainable uses consistent with their conservation and sensitive restoration. This may include uses associated with tourism and leisure and / or ensure that the borough maintains its distinctiveness which encourages people to come and enjoy Oldham's tourism offer.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P3 'Cultural Facilities' and JP-P4 'New Retail and Leisure Uses in Town Centres' and Local Plan policies C3 'Retail and Leisure Impact Assessments and Sequential Tests', CO4 'Cultural, Community and Health Facilities' and TM1 'Tourism' as well as other policies also addresses tourism and leisure.	None
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P5 'Education, Skills and Knowledge' and Local Plan policies CO5 'Education and Skills' and CO6 'Securing Educational Places through New	None

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							Residential Development' address this objective.	
23. To provide a sustainable housing land supply and an appropriate mix of sizes, types and tenures to meet local housing needs	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy states the council will support opportunities to put heritage assets to viable sustainable uses consistent with their conservation and sensitive restoration. This may include proposals for housing.	No mitigation required. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan on housing address this objective.	None
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable management of minerals	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy states the council will support opportunities to put heritage assets to viable sustainable uses consistent with their conservation and sensitive restoration. This will indirectly help reduce pressure on the need for mineral extraction for new development.	No mitigation required. The Minerals DPD addresses this.	None
25. To manage waste sustainably in	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
line with the waste hierarchy								
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan such as those on housing mix and tenure, communities and design aim to address this objective.	None

The policy scored a mix of neutral, positive and significantly positive scores. No mitigation or enhancements to the policy were required as a result of the IA.

In terms of the HRA the policy has been screened out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.

### Policy HE3 – Development proposals affecting conservation areas

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
1.To protect, conserve and enhance a high quality multifunctional green infrastructure network, including biodiversity and geodiversity that is ecologically connected	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	<p>Policy states proposals affecting a conservation area should preserve or enhance those elements which contribute to its character and appearance. This includes open spaces, the canal corridors etc which form part of the setting conservation areas, and which will indirectly contribute towards this objective. The policy also notes the statutory provisions for the protection of trees. In addition, a number of sites of biological interest overlap with conservation areas.</p> <p>In terms of the HRA the policy has been screened out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.</p>	No mitigation required. Local Plan policies N1 to N3 on nature address Green Infrastructure. In addition, PfE Greener chapter also address this objective.	None
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	Policy states proposals affecting a conservation area should preserve or enhance those elements which contribute to its character and	No mitigation required. Local Plan policies CO1 'Protection of	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						appearance. This includes open spaces, which is referenced within criterion 3, therefore contributing to this objective.	Existing Open Spaces' and CO2 'New and Enhanced Open Spaces' address open space. In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-P7 'Sport and Recreation' address this objective.	
3. To protect and enhance the character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	Policy states proposals affecting a conservation area should preserve or enhance those elements which contribute to its character and appearance. The policy sets out criteria for proposals within or affecting the setting of a conservation area all of which will help contribute towards this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-G1 'Landscape Character' and JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' addresses this objective.	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy directly relates to this objective and should make a significantly positive contribution.	No mitigation required. Policies HE1, HE2, HE4 and HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' and JP-P2 'Heritage' also addresses the historic environment.	None
5. To promote high quality, beautiful design that meets local design expectations	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	Policy states proposals affecting a conservation area should preserve or enhance those elements which contribute to its character and appearance. The policy sets out criteria for proposals within or affecting the setting of a conservation all of which will help contribute towards this objective. Criterion one specifically states proposals must be of high quality.	No mitigation required. Policies D1 to D7 of the Local Plan and PfE Policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' also address design.	None
6. To ensure land and buildings are used in an effective and	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to prevent loss of buildings / elements that make a positive contribution to the significance of the conservation area therefore the policy seeks to	No mitigation required. Policy H1 'Delivering a Diverse Housing Offer' and CO9	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
efficient manner, maximising the use of brownfield land						ensure that appropriate assets are retained which can then be put to positive use.	<p>'Creating Sustainable and Accessible Communities' of the Local Plan also address objective.</p> <p>In addition, PfE Policies Policy JP-S1 'Sustainable Places' and Policy JP-H4 also addresses efficient use of land.</p>	
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will make limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure.	None
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The historic environment makes a positive contribution to health and well-being. The policy seeks to preserve and enhance the elements making a positive contribution to conservation areas,	No mitigation required. Policy JP-P6 'Health' and policies within the Local Plan including CO7 'Health Impact	None



IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						which should indirectly have a positive impact on wellbeing.	Assessments in New Development', CO8 on 'Hot Food Takeaways' and policies on green infrastructure address health and well-being.	
9. To minimise and mitigate against flood risk and adapt to the effects of flood risk	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will make limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment' and policies CC3 'Managing Flood Risk' and CC4 'Sustainable Drainage – Foul and Surface Water' of the Local Plan also addresses flood risk.	None
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	Although canals and watercourses pass through conservation areas the policy is likely to make a limited contribution to this policy.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment' and policies within the	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
availability of water resources							Local Plan including CC5 'Water Efficiency' and CC6 'Groundwater Source Protection Zones' also address impacts on water quality.	
11. To protect and improve soil quality, best and most versatile agricultural land, and remediate contaminated land	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	Policy states proposals affecting a conservation area should preserve or enhance those elements which contribute to its character and appearance. This includes open spaces and within conservation areas there is agricultural land.	No mitigation required. PfE policies JP-G9 'A Net Enhancement of Biodiversity and Geodiversity' and Policy LE2 'Ground Conditions and Contaminated Land' of the Local Plan also addresses soil and contaminated land.	None
12. To minimise energy use, promote energy efficiency and the use of renewable and	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this policy.	No mitigation required. PfE policies JP-S2 'Carbon and Energy', JP-S3 'Heat and Energy Networks' and JP-	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
low carbon energy							P1 'Sustainable Places' also addresses energy in addition to Local Plan policies CC1 'Sustainable Construction, Energy Efficiency and Retrofitting' and CC2 'Renewable and Low Carbon Energy'.	
13. To ensure communities and infrastructure are resilient to the effects of climate change	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this policy.	No mitigation required. PfE includes policies which addresses this objective including Policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places', JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment'. Within the Local Plan policies that address this	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							objective include CC3 'Managing Flood Risk' and CC4 'Sustainable Drainage – Foul and Surface Water' and N3 'Enhancing Green Infrastructure through development'.	
14. To protect and improve air quality	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this policy.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S6 'Clean Air' and Policy LE3 'Air Quality' of the Local Plan also addresses air quality.	None
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	Policy states proposals affecting a conservation area should preserve or enhance those elements which contribute to its character and appearance. This will help to retain local environmental quality. In addition, the policy sets out criteria on shop fronts and signage which can be detracting elements when not carefully planned. This will also	No mitigation required. PfE policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' and policies LE1-LE3 of the Local Plan also addresses environmental quality.	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						ensure that the policy significantly contributes to this objective.		
16. To promote an integrated and improved transport system that provides sustainable transport choices and improves connectivity, including the walking and cycling network and the protection of the PROW Network	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	Although canals and rights of way will be present within conservation areas the policy will have a limited contribution towards promoting an integrated and improved transport system.	No mitigation required. PfE 'Connected Places' chapter includes policies alongside Local Plan policies T1-3 and design policies that address promoting sustainable transport choices.	None
17. To promote accessibility to key services and reduce the need to travel	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-C1 'An Integrated Network' and Local Plan policies CO9 'Creating Sustainable and	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							Accessible Communities', C2 'Local Services and Facilities' and H1 'Delivering a Diverse Housing Offer' can help influence meeting this objective.	
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	Preserving or enhancing those elements which contribute to conservation areas character and appearance and ensuring proposals are of high quality will promote regeneration directly and indirectly. Proposals may also have wider economic and social benefits which may contribute towards reducing deprivation and disparity in Oldham and elsewhere. The policy, will help regenerate Oldham Town centre, which is on the heritage 'at risk' register.	No mitigation required. The Local Plan promotes regeneration in several ways. Reducing deprivation and disparity is a key aim of the Local Plan.	None
19. To promote sustainable economic	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	Proposals may also have wider economic and social benefits which may contribute towards reducing deprivation and disparity,	No mitigation required. PfE policy JP-J1 'Supporting Long-Term	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
growth and job creation						but it is not the aim of the policy to directly influence economic growth.	Economic Growth' and JP-J2 'Employment Sites and Premises' and policies within the Economy and Employment section of the Local Plan also addresses economic growth.	
20. To protect and enhance the vitality and viability of Oldham Town Centre and the centres of Chadderton, Failsworth, Hill Stores, Lees, Royton, Shaw and Uppermill	+	++	++	Permanent	Local	Policy states proposals affecting a conservation area should preserve or enhance those elements which contribute to its character and appearance and includes criteria on assessing proposals for shop fronts and signage which can be negative elements affecting conservation areas. The policy will help ensure that the centres with conservation areas are enhanced over time so therefore the impact should be significantly positive over a longer time period. The policy should assist in removing Oldham town centre for the heritage at risk register.	No mitigation. PfE policy JP-P4 'New Retail and Leisure Uses in Town Centres', JP-H4 'Density of New Housing', JP-P3 'Cultural Facilities' and JP-P2 'Heritage' and Local Plan Policies C1 'Our Centres', C3 'Retail and Leisure Impact Assessments and Sequential Tests' and C4 'Changes of use and	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							redevelopment within the borough's centres' as well as policies for Oldham Town centre and housing supports this objective.	
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	Policy states proposals affecting a conservation area should preserve or enhance those elements which contribute to its character and appearance. The policy sets out criteria for proposals within or affecting the setting of a conservation all of which will help contribute towards this objective through ensuring that the borough retains distinctiveness and high-quality environments or support proposals for tourism and leisure use, both of which will directly and indirectly help attract visitors.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P3 'Cultural Facilities' and JP-P4 'New Retail and Leisure Uses in Town Centres' and Local Plan policies C3 'Retail and Leisure Impact Assessments and Sequential Tests', CO4 'Cultural, Community and Health Facilities' and TM1 'Tourism' as well as other policies also addresses tourism and leisure.	None



IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P5 'Education, Skills and Knowledge' and Local Plan policies CO5 'Education and Skills' and CO6 'Securing Educational Places through New Residential Development' address this objective.	None
23. To provide a sustainable housing land supply and an appropriate mix of sizes, types and tenures to meet local housing needs	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	Although proposals may include residential use within conservation areas the policy has a limited impact itself on this objective.	No mitigation required. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan on housing address this objective.	None
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy seeks to retain positive elements affecting a conservation area which may help reduce pressure on further minerals	No mitigation required. The Minerals DPD addresses this.	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
management of minerals						needing to be extracted but this contribution will be limited from this policy alone.		
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan such as those on housing mix and tenure, communities and design aim to address this objective.	None

The policy scored a mix of neutral, positive and significantly positive scores. No mitigation or enhancements to the policy was needed as a result of the IA.

In terms of the HRA the policy has been screened out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.

## Policy HE4 – Oldham's Mills

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
1.To protect, conserve and enhance a high quality multifunctional green infrastructure network, including biodiversity and geodiversity that is ecologically connected	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	<p>Although the settings of mills, including associated waterbodies such as rivers and canals form part of the green infrastructure network it is considered that this policy alone will be limited in its contribution to this objective.</p> <p>In terms of the HRA the policy has been screened out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.</p>	No mitigation required. Local Plan policies N1 to N3 on nature address Green Infrastructure. In addition, PfE Greener chapter also address this objective.	None
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The settings around non designated mills may include open spaces, but it is considered that the policy in itself will not promote quality and accessible open spaces.	No mitigation required. Local Plan policies CO1 'Protection of Existing Open Spaces' and CO2 'New and Enhanced Open Spaces' address open space.	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-P7 'Sport and Recreation' address this objective.	
3. To protect and enhance the character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to protect non-designated mills, particularly those holding high heritage significance which takes landscape character and sense of place into account.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-G1 'Landscape Character' and JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' addresses this objective.	None
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	This policy directly seeks to establish a positive future for Oldham's Textile Mills through their reuse and repair.	No mitigation required. Policies HE1 to HE3 and HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' and JP-P2 'Heritage' also addresses the historic environment.	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
5. To promote high quality, beautiful design that meets local design expectations	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to retain those elements of the mill stock which contribute to the local identity and sense of place of Oldham and ensure they are appropriately conserved in a manner appropriate to their significance. The policy also sets out policy on landscape clusters. The policy should make a strong contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. Policies D1 to D7 of the Local Plan and PfE Policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' also address design.	None
6. To ensure land and buildings are used in an effective and efficient manner, maximising the use of brownfield land	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	This policy directly seeks to establish a positive future for Oldham's Textile Mills through their reuse and repair. This includes consideration of the contribution that mills can make towards housing land supply and appropriate densities.	No mitigation required. Policy H3 'Density of New Housing' and CO9 'Creating Sustainable and Accessible Communities' of the Local Plan also address objective.  In addition, PfE Policies Policy JP-S1 'Sustainable Places'	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							and Policy JP-H4 also addresses efficient use of land.	
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will make a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure.	None
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The historic environment makes a positive contribution to health and well-being. The policy seeks to retain those elements of the mill stock which contribute to the local identity and sense of place of Oldham and ensure they are conserved in a manner appropriate to their significance.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P6 'Health' and policies within the Local Plan including CO7 'Health Impact Assessments in New Development', CO8 on 'Hot Food Takeaways' and policies on green infrastructure address health and well-being.	None
9. To minimise and mitigate against flood risk	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	Flood risk may affect some non-designated mills, however the policy itself will	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP—S5 'Flood Risk	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
and adapt to the effects of flood risk						not contribute towards this objective. Where necessary proposals would be subject to a site-specific Flood Risk Assessment.	and the Water Environment' and policies CC3 'Managing Flood Risk' and CC4 'Sustainable Drainage – Foul and Surface Water' of the Local Plan also addresses flood risk.	
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and availability of water resources	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	There may be opportunities to improve the quality of water bodies as part of development proposals, however it is considered that the policy itself is quite limited in its contribution.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP—S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment' and policies within the Local Plan including policies CC5 'Water Efficiency' and CC6 'Groundwater Source Protection Zones' also address impacts on water quality.	None
11. To protect and improve soil quality, best and most versatile agricultural land,	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	This policy directly seeks to establish a positive future for Oldham's Textile Mills through their reuse and repair. This will indirectly	No mitigation required. PfE policies JP-G9 'A Net Enhancement of Biodiversity and	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
and remediate contaminated land						help to reduce pressure for development on greenfield sites helping to protect soil and agricultural land. In addition, some proposals may help remediate Contaminated Land.	Geodiversity' Policy LE2 'Ground Conditions and Contaminated Land' of the Local Plan also address soil and contaminated land.	
12. To minimise energy use, promote energy efficiency and the use of renewable and low carbon energy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	Although reuse of mills will help reduce energy use from construction of new build it is considered that the policy itself will have a limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE policies JP-S2 'Carbon and Energy', JP-S3 'Heat and Energy Networks' and JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' also addresses energy in addition to Local Plan policies CC1 'Sustainable Construction, Energy Efficiency and Retrofitting' and CC2 'Renewable and Low Carbon Energy'.	None
13. To ensure communities and infrastructure are resilient to the	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE includes policies which addresses this objective including	None



IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
effects of climate change							Policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places', JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment'. Within the Local Plan policies that address this objective include CC3 'Managing Flood Risk' and CC4 'Sustainable Drainage – Foul and Surface Water' and N3 'Enhancing Green Infrastructure through development'.	
14. To protect and improve air quality	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S6 'Clean Air' and Policy LE3 'Air Quality' of the Local Plan also addresses air quality.	None
15. To protect and improve local	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	This policy directly seeks to establish a positive future for Oldham's Textile Mills	No mitigation required. PfE policy JP-P1 'Sustainable	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
environmental quality						through their reuse and repair. This will ensure that the condition of vacant and underused mills does not deteriorate further and detract from local environmental quality and the reuse ensures a stronger sense of pride in the area.	Places' and policies LE1-LE3 of the Local Plan also addresses environmental quality.	
16. To promote an integrated and improved transport system that provides sustainable transport choices and improves connectivity, including the walking and cycling network and the protection of the PROW Network	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE 'Connected Places' chapter includes policies alongside Local Plan policies T1-3 and design policies that address promoting sustainable transport choices.	None
17. To promote accessibility to key services and	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-C1 'An Integrated	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
reduce the need to travel							Network' and Local Plan policies CO9 'Creating Sustainable and Accessible Communities', C2 'Local Services and Facilities' and H1 'Delivering a Diverse Housing Offer' can help influence meeting this objective.	
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	This policy directly seeks to establish a positive future for Oldham's Textile Mills through their reuse and repair. This will ensure that the condition of vacant and underused mills does not deteriorate further and detract from Oldham's image. Future uses within the mills will directly and indirectly have a positive impact on regeneration of communities.	No mitigation required. The Local Plan promotes regeneration in several ways. Reducing deprivation and disparity is a key aim of the Local Plan.	None
19. To promote sustainable	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	This policy directly seeks to establish a positive future	No mitigation required. PfE policy	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
economic growth and job creation						for Oldham's Textile Mills through their reuse and repair. A high proportion of Oldham's mills are in employment use and this will continue to be the most appropriate use within the plan period. In addition, some mills overlap with the strategic areas identified in the Strategic investment Framework as being key for growth sectors so the mills can significantly contribute to this objective by providing premises for existing and expanding businesses and new growth sectors.	JP-J1 'Supporting Long-Term Economic Growth' and JP-J2 'Employment Sites and Premises' and policies within the Economy and Employment section of the Local Plan also addresses economic growth.	
20. To protect and enhance the vitality and viability of Oldham Town Centre and the centres of Chadderton, Failsworth, Hill	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	This policy directly seeks to establish a positive future for Oldham's Textile Mills through their reuse and repair and seeks to retain positive elements. Where mills are within / close to centres this can have a positive impact on vitality	No mitigation. PfE policy JP-P4 'New Retail and Leisure Uses in Town Centres', JP-H4 'Density of New Housing', JP-P3 'Cultural Facilities' and JP-P2 'Heritage'	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
Stores, Lees, Royton, Shaw and Uppermill						and help with viability of future schemes.	and Local Plan Policies C1 'Our Centres', C3 'Retail and Leisure Impact Assessments and Sequential Tests' and C4 'Changes of use and redevelopment within the borough's centres' as well as policies for Oldham Town centre and housing supports this objective.	
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	This policy directly seeks to establish a positive future for Oldham's Textile Mills. This could include tourism uses but this is unknown at this stage. In addition, maintaining Oldham's local distinctiveness contributes to part of the local environment and reasons why people may want to visit. However, it is felt that the impact of the policy alone is neutral.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P3 'Cultural Facilities' and JP-P4 'New Retail and Leisure Uses in Town Centres' and Local Plan policies C3 'Retail and Leisure Impact Assessments and Sequential Tests', CO4 'Cultural, Community and Health Facilities' and	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							TM1 'Tourism' as well as other policies also addresses tourism and leisure.	
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P5 'Education, Skills and Knowledge' and Local Plan policies CO5 'Education and Skills' and CO6 'Securing Educational Places through New Residential Development' address this objective.	None
23. To provide a sustainable housing land supply and an appropriate mix of sizes, types and tenures to meet local housing needs	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy has the potential to make a positive contribution towards this objective through mills forming part of the housing land supply.	No mitigation required. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan on housing address this objective	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable management of minerals	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	This policy directly seeks to establish a positive future for Oldham's Textile Mills and retain those elements of the mill stock which contribute to the local identity and sense of place of Oldham and ensure they are appropriately conserved in a manner appropriate to their significance. This will help to reduce pressure for minerals for new development therefore contributing positively towards this objective.	No mitigation required. The Minerals DPD addresses this.	None
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	Through the reuse of mills for employment and housing the policy could help create mixed, balanced and inclusive communities.	No mitigation required. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan such as those on housing mix and tenure, communities and design aim to	None

<b>IA Objective</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Effects are Temporary or Permanent</b>	<b>Scale</b>	<b>Justification</b>	<b>Mitigation / enhancement</b>	<b>Changes made as a result of the IA</b>
	<b>ST &lt; 5 years</b>	<b>MT 5-10 years</b>	<b>LT 10+ years</b>	<b>T or P</b>	<b>Local or Cross-boundary</b>			
							address this objective.	

The policy scored a mixture of neutral, positives and significantly positive scores. No mitigation or enhancements to the policy was required as a result of the IA.

In terms of the HRA the policy has been screened out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.



## Policy HE5 – Canals

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
1.To protect, conserve and enhance a high quality multifunctional green infrastructure network, including biodiversity and geodiversity that is ecologically connected	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	<p>The canals form part of the borough's green infrastructure network and include nature designations therefore a policy which ensures the restoration, conservation and enhancement of the canal can take place can help contribute towards this objective.</p> <p>In terms of the HRA the policy has been screened out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.</p>	<p>No mitigation required.</p> <p>However, it was noted that the wording of the policy should be amended from open space to Green Infrastructure.</p> <p>Local Plan policies N1 to N3 on nature address Green Infrastructure. In addition, PfE Greener chapter also address this objective.</p>	Wording amended from open space to Green Infrastructure.
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy states that development proposals should include open space incorporating walking and cycling routes. The canal corridors are recreational routes.	No mitigation required. However, it was noted that the wording of the policy should be amended from open space to Green Infrastructure.	Wording amended from open space to Green Infrastructure.

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							<p>Local Plan policies CO1 'Protection of Existing Open Spaces' and CO2 'New and Enhanced Open Spaces' address open space</p> <p>In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-P7 'Sport and Recreation' address this objective.</p>	
3. To protect and enhance the character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The canals form part of the borough's identity and sense of place. The policy which seeks to protect these assets and prevent harm to the setting or appearance of the canal will therefore make a significantly positive contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-G1 'Landscape Character' and JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' addresses this objective.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The Huddersfield Narrow Canal and Rochdale Canal will be protected as non-designated heritage assets under this policy therefore having a significantly positive impact.	No mitigation required. Policies HE1 to HE4 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' and JP-P2 'Heritage' also addresses the historic environment.	None
5. To promote high quality, beautiful design that meets local design expectations	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy requires that any new development should respect the canal frontage, ensuring active quality elevations, whilst respecting the unique character of the waterway and its associated heritage assets. Opportunities should be taken to improve the appearance and vitality of the canal side environment. This will have a significantly positive impact over time.	No mitigation required. Policies D1 to D7 of the Local Plan and PfE Policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' also address design.	None
6. To ensure land and buildings are used in an effective and	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	Although there may be associated development alongside the canals on brownfield land this policy in itself will have a limited	No mitigation required. Policy H3 'Density of New Housing' and CO9 'Creating Sustainable and Accessible	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
efficient manner, maximising the use of brownfield land						impact towards this objective.	Communities' of the Local Plan also address objective.  In addition, PfE Policies Policy JP-S1 'Sustainable Places' and Policy JP-H4 also addresses efficient use of land.	
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	Policy requires open space incorporating walking and cycling routes and heritage interpretation features along its line should be provided as part of development proposals. This will therefore contribute towards this objective where opportunities arise.	No mitigation required. There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure.	None
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	Open space incorporating walking and cycling routes and heritage interpretation features along its line should be provided as part of this policy. This would help contribute towards	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P6 'Health' and policies within the Local Plan including CO7 'Health Impact Assessments in New Development',	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						opportunities to improve active travel which would have a positive impact on health and well-being.	CO8 on 'Hot Food Takeaways' and policies on green infrastructure address health and well-being.	
9. To minimise and mitigate against flood risk and adapt to the effects of flood risk	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	Although residual flood risk from canals would need to be assessed for development proposals, where relevant, the policy will not in itself help meet this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP—S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment' and policies CC3 'Managing Flood Risk' and CC4 'Sustainable Drainage – Foul and Surface Water' of the Local Plan also addresses flood risk.	None
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and availability of water resources	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	Policy states 'To ensure that the future restoration of the canals is enabled, development alongside the line of the canal and towpath shall not prevent its restoration, conservation and enhancement...' This should contribute positively to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment' and policies within the Local Plan including policies CC5 'Water efficiency' and CC6 'Groundwater Source Protection Zones' also address water quality.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
11. To protect and improve soil quality, best and most versatile agricultural land, and remediate contaminated land	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	Whilst there may be opportunities alongside the canal to remediate contaminated land it is not considered that the policy wording will have a strong impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE policies JP-G9 'A Net Enhancement of Biodiversity and Geodiversity' and Policy LE2 'Ground Conditions and Contaminated Land' of the Local Plan also addresses soil and contaminated land.	None
12. To minimise energy use, promote energy efficiency and the use of renewable and low carbon energy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE policies JP-S2 'Carbon and Energy', JP-S3 'Heat and Energy Networks' and JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' also addresses energy in addition to Local Plan policies CC1 'Sustainable Construction, Energy Efficiency and Retrofitting' and CC2 'Renewable and Low Carbon Energy'.	None
13. To ensure communities and	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE includes policies which addresses this	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
infrastructure are resilient to the effects of climate change							objective including Policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places', JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-S5 'Flood Risk and the Water Environment'. Within the Local Plan policies that address this objective include CC3 'Managing Flood Risk' and CC4 'Sustainable Drainage – Foul and Surface Water' and N3 'Enhancing Green Infrastructure through development'.	
14. To protect and improve air quality	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	Open space incorporating walking and cycling routes and heritage interpretation features along its line should be provided, as part of this policy. Indirectly this would help contribute towards opportunities to improve active travel which would	No mitigation required. PFE Policy JP-S6 'Clean Air' and Policy LE3 'Air Quality' of the Local Plan also addresses air quality.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						have a positive impact on air quality.		
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The canals contribute to the borough's sense of place therefore protecting and allowing for restoration and enhancement will help meet this objective alongside ensuring opportunities are taken to improve the appearance and vitality of the canal side environment.	No mitigation required. PfE policy JP-P1 'Sustainable Places' and policies LE1-LE3 of the Local Plan also addresses environmental quality.	None
16. To promote an integrated and improved transport system that provides sustainable transport choices and improves connectivity, including the walking and cycling	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	Open space incorporating walking and cycling routes and heritage interpretation features along its line should be provided as part of this policy therefore contributing to sustainable transport choices.	No mitigation required. PfE 'Connected Places' chapter includes policies alongside Local Plan policies T1-3 and design policies that address promoting sustainable transport choices.	None



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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
network and the protection of the PROW Network								
17. To promote accessibility to key services and reduce the need to travel	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-C1 'An integrated Network' and Local Plan policies CO9 'Creating Sustainable and Accessible Communities', C2 'Local Services and Facilities' and H1 'Delivering a Diverse Housing Offer' can help influence meeting this objective.	None
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	Canals are part of the borough's sense of place and protecting and taking opportunities to restore and enhance the waterways and opportunities to improve the appearance and vitality of the canal side environment will form part of the borough's	No mitigation required. The Local Plan promotes regeneration in several ways. Reducing deprivation and disparity is a key aim of the Local Plan.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						regeneration, which may help alleviate deprivation and disparity over the longer term.		
19. To promote sustainable economic growth and job creation	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The wider restoration and enhancement of canals could have indirect economic benefits. But it is felt that the policy's contribution itself is limited.	No mitigation required. PfE policy JP-J1 'Supporting Long-Term Economic Growth' and JP-J2 'Employment Sites and Premises' and policies within the Economy and Employment section of the Local Plan also addresses economic growth.	None
20. To protect and enhance the vitality and viability of Oldham Town Centre and the centres of Chadderton, Failsworth, Hill Stores, Lees, Royton, Shaw and Uppermill	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	Canals are part of the borough's sense of place and protecting and taking opportunities or restore and enhance the waterways and opportunities to improve the appearance and vitality of the canal side environment will contribute positively towards this	No mitigation. PfE policy JP-P4 'New Retail and Leisure Uses in Town Centres', JP-H4 'Density of New Housing', JP-P3 'Cultural Facilities' and JP-P2 'Heritage' and Local Plan policies C1 'Our Centres', C3 'Retail and Leisure Impact Assessments	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						objective for Failsworth and Uppermill centres.	and Sequential Tests' and C4 'Changes of use and redevelopment within the borough's centres' as well as policies for Oldham Town centre and housing supports this objective.	
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The introductory text to the policy explains that the conservation, development and improved access to Oldham's canal corridors will allow for the community and visitors to celebrate the unique industrial heritage of these historic manmade waterways. They also have recreational and ecological roles, contribute to the borough's local identity and enhance Oldham's tourism offer. In addition, the policy will provide opportunities for ensuring development can	No mitigation needed. PFE Policy JP-P3 'Cultural Facilities' and JP-P4 'New Retail and Leisure Uses in Town Centres' and Local Plan policies C3 'Retail and Leisure Impact Assessments and Sequential Tests', CO4 'Cultural, Community and Health Facilities' and TM1 'Tourism' as well as other policies also addresses tourism and leisure.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						contribute towards a more sustainable environment through enabling opportunities to incorporate walking and cycling routes.		
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy may aid learning opportunities associated with the canals and their evolution however the policy will not contribute towards education attainment and skill levels.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P5 'Education, Skills and Knowledge' and Local Plan policies CO5 'Education and Skills' and CO6 'Securing Educational Places through New Residential Development' address this objective.	None
23. To provide a sustainable housing land supply and an appropriate mix of sizes, types and tenures to meet local housing needs	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan on housing address this objective.	None

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	ST < 5 years	MT 5-10 years	LT 10+ years	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable management of minerals	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. The Minerals DPD addresses this.	None
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes a limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced, and inclusive sustainable communities	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy may contribute towards this objective through enabling the use of canal corridors as part of active travel, promoting the canals as a tourism asset and celebrating the canal's through the provision of interpretation features. This will help bring the community together for different purposes.	No mitigation required. The aim of the Local Plan is to ensure mixed, balanced, and inclusive communities through for example policies on housing and design.	None

The policy scored a mixture of neutral, positive and significantly positive scores. Not mitigation was required to the plan as a result of the IA. However, it was felt that reference to open space within the policy should be amended to green infrastructure for clarity and enhancement.

In terms of the HRA the policy has been screened out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.