

Oldham Local Plan

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Appendix 11: IA of Achieving High Quality
Design**

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Policy D1 Achieving high quality design

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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
1. To protect, conserve and enhance a high quality multifunctional green infrastructure network, including biodiversity, priority species, habitats and geodiversity to become more ecologically connected	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that development should through their design incorporate appropriate landscaping and urban greening, such as green roofs, green walls, trees and shrubs and supporting nature through the incorporation of wildlife-friendly features (such as nest boxes) and integration with the nature recovery network.</p>	<p>No mitigation needed. Local Plan policies N1 to N4 on nature address Green Infrastructure.</p> <p>In addition, PfE Greener Places chapter also addresses this objective.</p>	None

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						The HRA has screened the policy out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.		
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that development should through their design make appropriate provision for outdoor amenity space.	No mitigation needed. Policies CO1 and CO2 of the Local Plan address open space. In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 and JP-P7 address this objective.	None
3. To protect and enhance the character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, maintaining and strengthening	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G1 and JP-P1	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
local distinctiveness and sense of place						development should through their design deliver buildings and spaces that are appropriate, in terms of their form, massing and height, for the site and surrounding context, and positively respond to local distinctiveness and character. It also provides specific guidance on tall buildings with regards how they should relate to their surroundings.	address this objective.	
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that	No mitigation needed. Policies HE1 to HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						development should through their design deliver buildings and spaces that are appropriate, in terms of their form, massing and height, for the site and surrounding context, and positively respond to local distinctiveness and character. It also provides specific guidance on tall buildings with regards how they should relate to their surroundings.	JP-P1 and JP-P2 address the historic environment.	
5. To promote high quality design that meets local design expectations	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	Policy D1 is focussed on ensuring high standards of design are	No mitigation needed. Policies D2 to D4 of the Local Plan and	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						achieved in all developments and all the criteria included promotes high quality design.	PfE Policy JP-P1 address design.	
6. To ensure land and buildings are used in an effective and efficient manner, maximising the use of brownfield land	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that development should through their design deliver buildings and spaces that are appropriate, in terms of their form, massing and height, for the site and surrounding context, and positively respond to local distinctiveness and character.	No mitigation needed. Policies H1 and H2 of the Local Plan and PfE policies JP-S1 and Policy JP- H4 address the efficient use of land.	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that development should through their design ensure parking areas reduce their visual impact and adopt a comprehensive and co-ordinated approach to development, respecting existing site constraints including utilities situated within, and running through, the site.	There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure. Moreover, Local Plan policy IN2 requires that planning conditions or obligations are used to mitigate the impact of development on provision.	None
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P6 and Local Plan policies CO6 and	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						development should through their design promote health and well-being through active design and ensure buildings and spaces are designed in a way to be inclusive to different users (e.g. age, gender, mental and physical ability).	CO7 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	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that development should through their design incorporate appropriate landscaping and urban greening	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Policy CC2 and CC3 of the Local Plan address flood risk.	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						and provide adaptable and resilient buildings and places, that are easily maintainable and resistant to the effects of ageing, weather and climatic conditions.		
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and availability of water resources	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Local Plan policies CC2 to CC5 address water quality.	None
11. To protect and improve soil quality, best and most versatile agricultural land, and remediate contaminated land	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G8 and Policy LE2 of the Local Plan address soil and contaminated land.	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
12. To minimise energy use, promote energy efficiency and the use of renewable and low carbon energy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-S2, JP-S3 and JP-P1 address energy in addition to Local Plan policy CC1.	None
13. To ensure communities, infrastructure and biodiversity are resilient to the effects of climate change	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that development should through their design incorporate appropriate landscaping and urban greening and provide adaptable and resilient buildings and places, that are easily	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-P1, JP-G2 and JP-S4 address this objective. Within the Local Plan policies that address this objective include Policies CC2, CC3 and N3.	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						maintainable and resistant to the effects of ageing, weather and climatic conditions.		
14. To protect and improve air quality	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective indirectly as it states that development should through their design encourage and facilitate active travel with convenient, safe and inclusive pedestrian and cycling routes which will in turn protect and improve air quality.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S5 and Local Plan Policy LE3 address air quality.	None
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective indirectly	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P1 and policies LE1 to	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						as it includes a number of criteria that will help achieve this, such as ensuring that recycling and waste disposal, storage and any on-site management facilities are conveniently located, appropriately screened and are designed to work effectively, ensuring parking areas reduce their visual impact through landscaping and boundary treatments and ensuring that site layout, orientation, design, and	LE3 of the Local Plan address environmental quality.	

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						common spaces provide privacy, adequate daylight and active frontages with the public realm.		
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	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that development should through their design encourage and facilitate active travel with convenient, safe and inclusive pedestrian and cycling routes.	No mitigation needed. PfE 'Connected Places' chapter includes policies alongside Policies T1-5 and design policies in the Local Plan that address promoting sustainable transport choices.	None
17. To promote accessibility to key services and reduce the need to travel	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that	No mitigation needed. PfE Policies JP-C1 and JP-S5 and Local Plan	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						development should through their design encourage and facilitate active travel with convenient, safe and inclusive pedestrian and cycling routes and by ensuring developments are based on a clear street hierarchy. This will help create more walkable environments, reducing the need to travel by car.	policies C4, H1, H2 and T2 can help achieve this objective.	
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that development should through	No mitigation needed. The Local Plan promotes regeneration in several ways. Reducing	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						their design promote health and well-being through active design and ensure buildings and spaces are designed in a way to be inclusive to different users (e.g. age, gender, mental and physical ability) both of which will help reduce levels of deprivation and disparity.	deprivation and disparity is a key aim of the Local Plan.	
19. To promote sustainable economic growth and job creation	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policy JP-J1 and JP-J2 and policies within the Economy and Employment section of the Local Plan address	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
							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 D1 is focused on ensuring high standards of design are achieved in all developments and all the criteria included promote high quality design. This includes development within our centres and will contribute to enhancing their vitality and viability.	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-P4, JP-H4, JP-P3 and JP-P2 and Local Plan Policies C1 to C4 as well as policies for Oldham Town centre and housing supports this objective.	None
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policies JP-P3 and JP-P4 and Local Plan Policy	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
							C2 as well as other policies addresses tourism and leisure.	
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P5 and Local Plan policies CO4 and CO5 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 will have a positive impact on this objective as it states that development should through their design deliver buildings and spaces that are appropriate, in terms of their form, massing and height, for the site and surrounding	No mitigation needed. 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						context, and positively respond to local distinctiveness and character which could help diversify the borough's housing mix.		
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable management of minerals	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Minerals DPD addresses this.	None
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have limited impact on this IA objective in relation to the waste hierarchy, however it is acknowledged that the policy sets out design criteria for recycling and waste disposal facilities.	No mitigation needed. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy will have a positive impact on this objective due to the various requirements in relation to the design of streets, building orientation, open spaces and usability and ongoing maintenance all of which will help balanced and inclusive sustainable communities.	No mitigation needed. 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 mixture of positives, significantly positives and neutrals. No mitigation or enhancement to the policy was made as a result of the IA.

Since the Draft Local Plan was published, policies D1 – D4 have been combined into this one policy in the Publication Plan (D1) and therefore it is not felt that the previous IAs are comparable.

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 D2 – Advertisements, Signage and Shop Fronts

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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
1. To protect, conserve and enhance a high quality multifunctional green infrastructure network, including biodiversity, priority species, habitats and geodiversity to become more ecologically connected	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	<p>The policy will have limited impact on this IA objective.</p> <p>The HRA has screened the policy out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.</p>	No mitigation needed. Local Plan policies N1 to N4 on nature address Green Infrastructure. In addition, PfE Greener Places chapter also addresses this objective.	None
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies CO1 and CO2 of the Local Plan address open space. In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 and JP-P7 address this objective.	None
3. To protect and enhance the	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place						objective as it will only support advertisements and signage where they have regard to the character and appearance of the local area and states that shop fronts should be designed to fit with the character and context of the building itself and the surrounding area.	JP-G1 and JP-P1 address this objective.	
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it will only support advertisements and signage where they have regard to the character and appearance of the local area and states that shop fronts should be designed to fit with the character and context of the building itself and the surrounding area. In addition, it refers	No mitigation needed. Policies HE1 to HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies JP-P1 and JP-P2 address the historic environment.	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						applicants back to the policies regarding heritage assets and conservation areas, where applicable.		
5. To promote high quality design that meets local design expectations	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	Policy D2 is focussed on ensuring advertisements and signage contribute positively to the visual amenity and safety of the built environment and that shop fronts are designed to fit with the character and context of the building itself and the surrounding area, all of which promote high quality design.	No mitigation needed. Policies D1, D3 and D4 of the Local Plan and PfE Policy JP-P1 address design.	None
6. To ensure land and buildings are used in an effective and efficient manner, maximising the use of brownfield land	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies H1 and H2 of the Local Plan and PfE policies JP-S1 and Policy JP-H4 address the efficient use of land.	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure. Moreover, Local Plan policy IN2 requires that planning conditions or obligations are used to mitigate the impact of development on provision.	None
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P6 and Local Plan policies CO6 and CO7 and policies on green infrastructure address health and well-being.	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
9. To minimise and mitigate against flood risk and adapt to the effects of flood risk	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Policy CC2 and CC3 of the Local Plan address flood risk.	None
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and availability of water resources	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Local Plan policies CC2 to CC5 address water quality.	None
11. To protect and improve soil quality, best and most versatile agricultural land, and remediate contaminated land	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G8 and Policy LE2 of the Local Plan address 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 will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-S2, JP-S3 and JP-P1 address energy in addition to	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
							Local Plan policy CC1.	
13. To ensure communities, infrastructure and biodiversity are resilient to the effects of climate change	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-P1, JP-G2 and JP-S4 address this objective. Within the Local Plan policies that address this objective include Policies CC2, CC3 and N3.	None
14. To protect and improve air quality	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE PfE Policy JP-S5 and Local Plan Policy LE3 address air quality.	None
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as the policy includes a specific requirement to ensure that new advertisements	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P1 and policies LE1 to LE3 of the Local Plan address	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						do not have a detrimental impact on the amenity of nearby residents and / or occupiers of sensitive uses nor lead to an excessive, cluttered or overbearing appearance on the host building or vicinity of the site and the policy states that they should be appropriate in terms of siting, design, size, scale, number, colour, and method and level of illumination. All of which contribute to protecting and improving local environmental quality.	environmental quality.	
16. To promote an integrated and improved transport system that provides sustainable transport choices and improves connectivity,	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE 'Connected Places' chapter includes policies alongside Policies T1-5 and design policies in the Local Plan that	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
including the walking and cycling network and the protection of the PROW Network							address promoting sustainable transport choices.	
17. To promote accessibility to key services and reduce the need to travel	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policies JP-C1 and JP-S5 and Local Plan policies C4, H1, H2 and T2 can help achieve this objective.	None
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policy JP-J1 and JP-J2 and policies within the	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
							Economy and Employment section of the Local Plan address 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 D2 is focused on ensuring advertisements and signage contribute positively to the visual amenity and safety of the built environment and that shop fronts are designed to fit with the character and context of the building itself and the surrounding area. This promotes high quality design which helps to protect and enhance the vitality and viability of centres.	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-P4, JP-H4, JP-P3 and JP-P2 and Local Plan Policies C1 to C4 as well as policies for Oldham Town centre and housing supports this objective.	None
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policies JP-P3 and JP-P4 and Local Plan	None

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							Policy C2 as well as other policies addresses tourism and leisure.	
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P5 and Local Plan policies CO4 and CO5 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 will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan on housing address this objective.	None
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable management of minerals	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Minerals DPD addresses this.	None
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None

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26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. 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 mixture of significantly positives, positives and neutrals, with no negatives. No mitigation or enhancements were made to the policy as a result of the IA.

IA3 has been amended since the Draft Plan as on reflection it is felt that the policy would provide positive benefits rather than neutral.

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 D3 – Creating a Better Realm in Oldham

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1. To protect, conserve and enhance a high quality multifunctional green infrastructure network, including biodiversity, priority species, habitats and geodiversity to become more ecologically connected	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	<p>The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable support biodiversity, and integrate green infrastructure.</p> <p>The HRA has screened the policy out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.</p>	No mitigation needed. Local Plan policies N1 to N4 on nature address Green Infrastructure. In addition, PfE Greener Places chapter also addresses this objective.	None
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	<p>The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new</p>	No mitigation needed. Policies CO1 and CO2 of the Local Plan address open space. In addition, PfE Policies	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						public realm should, where applicable create a sense of place, with opportunities for social activities and interaction during, formal and informal play and support biodiversity, and integrate green infrastructure.	JP-G2 and JP-P7 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 would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable be well-designed, easy to understand, and related to the local and historic context, should create a sense of place and ensure that any buildings are of a design that activates and defines the public realm.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G1 and JP-P1 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable be well-designed, easy to understand, and related to the local and historic context.	No mitigation needed. Policies HE1 to HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies JP-P1 and JP-P2 address the historic environment.	None
5. To promote high quality design that meets local design expectations	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	Policy D3 is focused on creating a better public realm in Oldham, ensuring it is well-designed and related to the local context, all of which promote high quality design.	No mitigation needed. Policies D1, D2 and D4 of the Local Plan and PfE Policy JP-P1 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 aims to create new public realm which can serve multiple purposes (i.e. flood risk reduction, space to play, social interaction, enhanced biodiversity)	No mitigation needed. Policies H1 and H2 of the Local Plan and PfE policies JP-S1 and Policy JP-H4 address the efficient use of land.	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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						therefore using land efficiently and effectively.		
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable use durable, attractive, and locally appropriate materials in paving, street furniture, and landscaping and ensure appropriate management and maintenance arrangements are in place and integrate green infrastructure and surface water management both of which will help support development needs.	There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure. Moreover, Local Plan policy IN2 requires that planning conditions or obligations are used to mitigate the impact of development on provision.	None
8. To improve health and well-being and	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this	No mitigation needed. 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
reduce health inequalities						objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable ensure it is inclusive and fully accessible to all users, including people with disabilities, older people, and families with children, and provide appropriate seating and prioritise active travel. All of which will help improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities.	JP-P6 and Local Plan policies CO6 and CO7 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	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable integrate green	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Policy CC2 and CC3 of the Local Plan address 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						infrastructure and surface water management which would help mitigate against flood risk.		
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and availability of water resources	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Local Plan policies CC2 to CC5 address water quality.	None
11. To protect and improve soil quality, best and most versatile agricultural land, and remediate contaminated land	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G8 and Policy LE2 of the Local Plan address 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 will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-S2, JP-S3 and JP-P1 address energy in addition to Local Plan policy CC1.	None
13. To ensure communities,	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this	No mitigation needed. PfE policies	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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
infrastructure and biodiversity are resilient to the effects of climate change						objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable integrate green infrastructure and surface water management and ensure that appropriate shade, shelter, seating and areas of direct sunlight, are provided having regard to microclimatic considerations such as temperature and wind.	JP-P1, JP-G2 and JP-S4 address this objective. Within the Local Plan policies that address this objective include Policies CC2, CC3 and N3.	
14. To protect and improve air quality	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable integrate green	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S5 and Local Plan Policy LE3 address air 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						infrastructure and prioritise active travel through providing safe, legible and well-connected routes whilst discouraging travel by car. Both of these measures will help protect and improve air quality.		
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable ensure it is well-designed, create a sense of place, ensure lighting is carefully considered and well-designed in order to minimise intrusive lighting infrastructure and reduce light pollution and use	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P1 and policies LE1 to LE3 of the Local Plan address environmental quality.	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						durable, attractive, and locally appropriate materials. All of these measures will contribute towards protecting and improving local 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	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable prioritise active travel through providing safe, legible and well-connected routes whilst discouraging travel by car.	No mitigation needed. PfE 'Connected Places' chapter includes policies alongside Policies T1-5 and design policies in the Local Plan 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 will have a limited impact on this IA objective. However, the policy does discourage the use of the car by prioritising active travel.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policies JP-C1 and JP-S5 and Local Plan policies C4, H1, H2 and T2 can help	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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
							achieve this objective.	
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy will promote regeneration by improving public realm and will help reduce levels of disparity by ensuring new public realm is inclusive and fully accessible to all users.	No mitigation needed. 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective, though it is acknowledged that improved public realm may make the borough more attractive to investors.	No mitigation needed. PfE policy JP-J1 and JP-J2 and policies within the Economy and Employment section of the Local Plan address economic growth.	None
20. To protect and enhance the vitality and viability of Oldham Town Centre and the centres of Chadderton, Failsworth, Hill	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	Policy D3 is focused on creating better public realm in Oldham, ensuring it is well-designed and related to the local context, and creating a sense of place	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-P4, JP-H4, JP-P3 and JP-P2 and Local Plan Policies C1 to C4 as well as policies for Oldham Town	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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
Stores, Lees, Royton, Shaw and Uppermill						where social interaction occurs. This will protect and enhance the vitality and viability of our centres.	centre and housing supports this objective.	
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy states that any development proposals that include the creation of new public realm should, where applicable create a sense of place, with opportunities for social activities and interaction during, formal and informal play and social interaction during different times of the day and night, days of the week and times of the year. This will help to increase opportunities for leisurely activities, which could also improve opportunities for tourism.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policies JP-P3 and JP-P4 and Local Plan Policy C2 as well as other policies 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P5 and Local Plan policies CO4 and CO5 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 will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan on housing address this objective.	None
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable management of minerals	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Minerals DPD addresses this.	None
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan such as those on housing mix	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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
							and tenure, communities and design aim to address this objective.	

The policy scored a mixture of significantly positives, positives and neutrals, with no negatives. No mitigation or enhancements were required to the policy as a result of the IA.

IA9, IA13 and IA14 have been amended since the Draft Plan as on reflection it is not felt that the positive benefits of the policy would increase over time.

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 D4 – Extensions and alterations to, and development within the curtilage of, a dwellinghouse

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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
1. To protect, conserve and enhance a high quality multifunctional green infrastructure network, including biodiversity, priority species, habitats and geodiversity to become more ecologically connected	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	<p>The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.</p> <p>The HRA has screened the policy out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.</p>	No mitigation needed. Local Plan policies N1 to N4 on nature address Green Infrastructure. In addition, PfE Greener Places chapter also addresses this objective.	None
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies CO1 and CO2 of the Local Plan address open space. In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 and JP-P7 address this objective.	None
3. To protect and enhance the	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this	No mitigation needed. 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, maintaining and strengthening local distinctiveness and sense of place						objective as it states that extensions / alterations will be supported where they are in keeping with the character and appearance of the original dwelling and surrounding properties. This will help to maintain and strengthen local distinctiveness and sense of place.	JP-G1 and JP-P1 address this objective.	
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that extensions / alterations will be supported where they are in keeping with the character and appearance of the original dwelling and surrounding properties. This will help to conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting if the proposed	No mitigation needed. Policies HE1 to HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies JP-P1 and JP-P2 address 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						development is located there.		
5. To promote high quality design that meets local design expectations	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that extension / alterations will be supported where they are in keeping with the character and appearance of the original dwelling and surrounding properties and where they would not have a significantly adverse effect on the amenities of nearby residential properties. This helps to promote high quality design.	No mitigation needed. Policies D1 to D3 of the Local Plan and PfE Policy JP-P1 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 will help ensure that existing developed land and buildings can be utilised in an appropriate manner to meet needs.	No mitigation needed. Policies H1 and H2 of the Local Plan and PfE policies JP-S1 and Policy JP-H4 address the efficient use of land.	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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy states that provision must be made for waste and recycling. However, it is felt that the impact is neutral in terms of infrastructure.	There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure. Moreover, Local Plan policy IN2 requires that planning conditions or obligations are used to mitigate the impact of development on provision.	None
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P6 and Local Plan policies CO6 and CO7 and policies on green infrastructure address health and well-being.	None
9. To minimise and mitigate against flood risk and adapt to the effects of flood risk	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy requires the sustainable management of surface water.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Policy CC2 and CC3 of 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
							Local Plan address flood risk.	
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and availability of water resources	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Local Plan policies CC2 to CC5 address water quality.	None
11. To protect and improve soil quality, best and most versatile agricultural land, and remediate contaminated land	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G8 and Policy LE2 of the Local Plan address 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 will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-S2, JP-S3 and JP-P1 address energy in addition to Local Plan policy CC1.	None
13. To ensure communities, infrastructure and biodiversity are resilient to the effects of climate change	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-P1, JP-G2 and JP-S4 address this objective. Within the Local Plan policies	None

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	ST <5 years	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
							that address this objective include Policies CC2, CC3 and N3.	
14. To protect and improve air quality	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S5 and Local Plan Policy LE3 address air quality.	None
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states that extensions / alterations will be supported where they are in keeping with the character and appearance of the original dwelling and surrounding properties and where they would not have a significantly adverse effect on the amenities of nearby residential properties These will help to protect	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P1 and policies LE1 to LE3 of the Local Plan address 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						and improve local 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 will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE 'Connected Places' chapter includes policies alongside Policies T1-5 and design policies in the Local Plan 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 will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policies JP-C1 and JP-S5 and Local Plan policies C4, H1, H2 and T2 can help achieve this objective.	None
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Local Plan promotes regeneration in several ways.	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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
							Reducing deprivation and disparity is a key aim of the Local Plan.	
19. To promote sustainable economic growth and job creation	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policy JP-J1 and JP-J2 and policies within the Economy and Employment section of the Local Plan address 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-P4, JP-H4, JP-P3 and JP-P2 and Local Plan Policies C1 to C4 as well as policies for Oldham Town centre and housing supports 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policies JP-P3 and JP-P4 and Local Plan Policy C2 as well as other policies address tourism and leisure.	None
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P5 and Local Plan policies CO4 and CO5 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 will have a limited impact on this IA objective. It is accepted however that by allowing the extension or replacement of houses this allows people to meet their personal needs. It will not necessarily however contribute to the needs set out in the local	No mitigation needed. 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 (10-15 years)		Local (L) / Cross Boundary (CB)			
						housing needs assessment.		
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable management of minerals	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Minerals DPD addresses this.	None
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have limited impact on this IA objective in relation to the waste hierarchy, however it is acknowledged that the policy sets out criteria for ensuring that recycling and waste storage facilities are provided.	No mitigation needed. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. 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 mixture of significantly positives, positives and neutrals, with no negatives. No mitigation or enhancements were made to the policy as a result of the IA.

Between Draft Plan stage and Publication Plan stage the policy has been revised and reworded in places and the priorities now differ slightly. Therefore, in response to this:

- IA1 has been changed from positive to neutral as the policy no longer refers to landscaping.
- IA4 has also been amended from significantly positive to positive after further reflection.
- IA9 has been amended from neutral to positive as the policy now includes reference to sustainable surface water management.

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.