

# Aberdeenshire Council

## Integrated Impact Assessment

### Heating Policy

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# 1. Overview

This document has been generated from information entered into the Integrated Impact Assessment system.

Understand the impact of the Council's proposed Heating Policy

During screening 1 of 10 questions indicated that detailed assessments were required, the screening questions and their answers are listed in the next section. This led to 1 out of 5 detailed impact assessments being completed. The assessments required are:

- Sustainability and Climate Change

In total there are 5 positive impacts as part of this activity. There are 0 negative impacts, all impacts have been mitigated.

A detailed action plan with 1 points has been provided.

This assessment has been approved by [allan.whyte@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:allan.whyte@aberdeenshire.gov.uk).

The remainder of this document sets out the details of all completed impact assessments.

## 2. Screening

Could your activity / proposal / policy cause an impact in one (or more) of the identified town centres?	No
Would this activity / proposal / policy have consequences for the health and wellbeing of the population in the affected communities?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have the potential to affect greenhouse gas emissions (CO2e) in the Council or community and / or the procurement, use or disposal of physical resources?	Yes
Does the activity / proposal / policy have the potential to affect the resilience to extreme weather events and/or a changing climate of Aberdeenshire Council or community?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have the potential to affect the environment, wildlife or biodiversity?	No
Does the activity / proposal / policy have an impact on people and / or groups with protected characteristics?	No
Is this activity / proposal / policy of strategic importance for the council?	No
Does this activity / proposal / policy impact on inequality of outcome?	No
Does this activity / proposal / policy have an impact on children / young people's rights?	No
Does this activity / proposal / policy have an impact on children / young people's wellbeing?	No

## 3. Impact Assessments

Children's Rights and Wellbeing	Not Required
Climate Change and Sustainability	No Negative Impacts Identified
Equalities and Fairer Scotland Duty	Not Required
Health Inequalities	Not Required
Town Centre's First	Not Required

## 4. Sustainability and Climate Change Impact Assessment

### 4.1. Emissions and Resources

Indicator	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Unknown
Consumption of energy	Yes			
Energy efficiency	Yes			
Energy source		Yes		
Low carbon transition	Yes			
Consumption of physical resources	Yes			
Waste and circularity	Yes			
Circular economy transition		Yes		
Economic and social transition		Yes		

### 4.2. Biodiversity and Resilience

Indicator	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Unknown
Quality of environment		Yes		
Quantity of environment		Yes		
Wildlife and biodiversity		Yes		
Infrastructure resilience		Yes		
Council resilience		Yes		
Community resilience		Yes		
Adaptation		Yes		

### 4.3. Positive Impacts

Impact Area	Impact
Consumption of energy	Reduces energy consumption
Energy efficiency	Improves energy efficiency.
Low carbon transition	Reduces amount of carbon being used by the specific building and Council as a whole.
Consumption of physical resources	Reduces consumption of physical resources
Waste and circularity	Reduces waste

### 4.4. Evidence

Type	Source	It says?	It Means?
Internal Consultation	Trade Unions Joint Secretaries	No comment	No objection from Unions to this Policy
External Consultation	Highland Council	Estimated 5% saving through introduction of their Heating Policy	Similar will be expected with Aberdeenshire Council

## **4.5. Overall Outcome**

No Negative Impacts Identified.

There are only positive impacts from this proposed Heating Policy - reduction in energy use, lower utility bills, lower carbon emissions.

# 5. Action Plan

Planned Action	Details
Implement policy across Council once approved	<p><b>Lead Officer</b>      Iain Wylie</p> <p><b>Repeating Activity</b>   No</p> <p><b>Planned Start</b>      Friday June 14, 2024</p> <p><b>Planned Finish</b>      Friday September 27, 2024</p> <p><b>Expected Outcome</b>      Successful implementation</p> <p><b>Resource Implications</b>      None</p>