

# Comprehensive Health Impact Assessment (HIA) Tool

**Proposal Name:**

**Ref:**

## Brief guidance on using this Comprehensive Health Impact Assessment (HIA) tool (see full guidance notes for further details)

Where the term '**proposal**' is used it refers to the proposed development.

- Section 1)** Start the HIA process by identifying the specific population groups (Table A) and parts of the district (Table B) that will be most affected by the proposal.
- Section 2)** The next step is to provide background information on the proposal being assessed.
- Section 3)** The final step of the process is to identify and assess the impacts of the proposal on health and wellbeing; and recommend what can be done to maximise positive and minimise negative impacts.

**a) Impact** – Consider if the proposal will have an impact relating to each of the categories listed and if this impact will be positive, negative or neutral. Assess the impact separately for the different populations affected if the impact varies for populations you have identified. Remember an explicit aim of the impact assessment is to reduce inequalities wherever possible.

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Proposal has a positive impact	Proposal has a negative impact	Proposal has a neutral impact

**b) Certainty** - Think about how certain you are about your assessment for each category. As far as possible, decisions should be supported using available evidence. Tick the ? column if you are uncertain an impact will occur and ! if you are certain / have evidence an impact will occur.

?	!
Assumed impact. You have a gut feeling but may need to do some research.	Known impact. You know that your assessment is correct and is based on evidence.

**c) Description of Impact** - Note how the proposal will impact on the specific group or population.

**d) Recommendation** - Write recommendations in this column detailing how positive impacts could be maximised and negative impacts minimised.

**Table A: Which groups of the population do you think will be affected by this proposal?**

Population Groups	Please tick
Asylum seekers/refugees	
Black and minority ethnic groups (incl. Gypsies and Travellers) and/or non BME groups	
People living in areas of deprivation	
People with a disability (i.e. physical, mental and learning)	
Families with young children	
Gender – male/female/transgender	
Geographic groups – rural/urban/neighbouring areas	
Homeless people	
LGBTQ+	
Age:	
0 – 19 years	
18 – 64 years	
50+ years	
Religious or belief groups	
Visitors or those working in the district	
ALL Groups	
Others (please state below)	

**Table B: Which particular parts of the county do you think will be most affected by this proposal?**

Ward Boundaries	Please tick	Please tick
Ward 1 – Amington		Ward 32 – Leek South
Ward 2 – Audley & Chesterton		Ward 33 – Lichfield City North
Ward 3 – Biddulph North		Ward 34 – Lichfield City South
Ward 4 – Biddulph South & Endon		Ward 35 – Lichfield Rural East
Ward 5 – Bolebridge		Ward 36 – Lichfield Rural North
Ward 6 – Bradwell, Porthill & Wolstanton		Ward 37 – Lichfield Rural South
Ward 7 – Brereton & Ravenhill		Ward 38 – Lichfield Rural West
Ward 8 – Brewood		Ward 39 – May Bank & Cross Heath
Ward 9 – Burntwood North		Ward 40 – Needwood Forest
Ward 10 – Burntwood South		Ward 41 – Newcastle Rural
Ward 11 – Burton Tower		Ward 42 – Newcastle South
Ward 12 – Burton Town		Ward 43 – Penkridge
Ward 13 – Burton Trent		Ward 44 – Perrycrofts
Ward 14 – Cannock Town Centre		Ward 45 – Perton
Ward 15 – Cannock Villages		Ward 46 – Stafford Central
Ward 16 – Caverswall		Ward 47 – Stafford North
Ward 17 – Chadsmoor		Ward 48 – Stafford South East
Ward 18 – Cheadle & Checkley		Ward 49 – Stafford Trent Valley
Ward 19 – Cheslyn Hay, Essington & Great Wyrley		Ward 50 – Stafford West
Ward 20 – Churnet Valley		Ward 51 – Stone Rural
Ward 21 – Codsall		Ward 52 – Stone Urban
Ward 22 – Dove		Ward 53 – Stonydelph
Ward 23 – Eccleshall		Ward 54 – Talke & Red Street
Ward 24 – Etching Hill & Heath		Ward 55 – Uttoxeter Rural
Ward 25 – Gnosall & Doxey		Ward 56 – Uttoxeter Town
Ward 26 – Hednesford & Rawnsley		Ward 57 – Watling North
Ward 27 – Horninglow & Stretton		Ward 58 – Watling South
Ward 28 – Keele, Knutton & Silverdale		Ward 59 – Westlands & Thistleberry
Ward 29 – Kidsgrove		Ward 60 – Wombourne
Ward 30 – Kinver		
Ward 31 – Leek Rural		All Wards / District Wide

**Section 2**

**PROPOSAL SUMMARY**

**1.1 Please provide a brief summary of the proposal**

<b>1.1 Have the following been consulted? (Please tick)</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>N/a</b>
Environmental Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environment Agency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health Protection Agency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The local community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**1.3 Who else has been involved in the development of the proposal and how have they been involved? Please also detail any changes that have been made as a result of this involvement?**

**Section 3**

**What impact will the proposal have on?**

Housing/ Location	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+	0	?	!			
Housing or location of development is in an appropriate location (e.g. close to services and amenities appropriate to the needs of people living there and away from sources of noise and air pollution)							
Provision of a range of varied home tenures and sizes that meets the needs of the local community							
Provision of sustainable homes (e.g., homes that have a Code for Sustainable homes rating of 4 or above.)							

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Housing/ Location	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
<b>Provision of homes that are highly energy efficient</b> (e.g., have a high SAP rating.)							
<b>Provision of affordable homes for purchase and/or rent</b> (in line with planning policy.)							
<b>Provision of homes that enable older and disabled people to live independent lives</b> (e.g. homes that are accessible and adaptable, following Lifetime Homes Standards <a href="#">Microsoft Word - Lifetime Homes Standards Checklist - April 2015 (lbbd.gov.uk)</a>							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Housing/ Location	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Provision of homes that are wheelchair accessible (e.g., door width and ramped access)							
Promotion of good design in terms of layout and orientation? (e.g., internal space, access to sunlight, etc.)							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Physical Activity	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
<b>Prioritising and encouraging walking</b> (e.g., wide safe pathways, traffic calming, safe crossing points)							
<b>Prioritising and encouraging cycling</b> (e.g., provision of cycle lanes, space for secure cycle storage)							
<b>Provision and safeguarding of, and access to public open spaces inc wheelchair and pushchair access for residents/staff/visitors</b> (e.g., parks, play areas, natural spaces, sports fields)							



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	+		0	?	!		
Secure storage for mobility scooters inc charging points							
Ensuring buildings are designed to maximise participation in physical activity (e.g., prominent stairwell positioning in apartments and HMOS)							
Opportunities for active play and exercise (e.g., playing fields, traffic calmed streets, provision of gardens and access to open spaces)							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Diet and nutrition	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Ensure developments are connected to an existing community to enable easy access to a local supply of affordable, healthy food.							
<p><b>Housing developments - Facilitating access to community based healthy eating initiatives</b> (e.g. Healthy Living Centres, Growing Projects, Community Cafes, Healthy Food Cooperatives, provision of allotments areas within the development)</p> <p><b>Commercial developments - Facilitating access to affordable, healthy food.</b> (e.g., if on site food available, Staffordshire County Council Public Health guidelines should be followed)</p>							

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	+		0	?	!		
Safeguarding loss of allotments, good agricultural land, gardens or other growing land.							

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Air quality and noise	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Minimising construction impacts (e.g., dust, congestion, construction noise)							

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Air quality and noise	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Minimising Air pollution (e.g., from increased motor traffic, industrial developments)							
Minimising Noise pollution (e.g. from vehicles travelling to and from the site, construction taking place on the site)							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Transport	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Traffic calming measures to minimise road traffic injures							
Reducing need to travel especially by car (e.g. locating developments close to local facilities that are easily accessible by walking/cycling and/or on bus routes.)							
Provision and enhancement of access to public transport network (e.g. bus and rail connections are easily accessible from the development)							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Transport	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
<b>Provision and enhancement of sustainable transport facilities</b> (e.g. cycle parking, cycle lanes, advanced stop boxes, pedestrian and cycle crossings within development and connecting roads)							
<b>Needs of people who are car dependant</b> (e.g. people with mobility problems, link to Lifetime Homes Standards <a href="http://www.lifetimehomes.org.uk/pages/revised-design-criteria.html">http://www.lifetimehomes.org.uk/pages/revised-design-criteria.html</a> )							

## What impact will the proposal have on?

Crime Reduction and Community Safety	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
<b>Crime prevention</b> (e.g. reducing opportunities for people to commit crime, following Crime Prevention through Environmental Design five principles: i) physical security ii) surveillance; iii) movement control; iv) management and maintenance and v) defensible space)							
<b>Reducing the fear of crime</b> (e.g. creating a safe and unthreatening environment during the development stage and beyond)							
<b>Ensure any shared spaces are designed in a way that all members of the community feel safe to utilise</b>							

**What impact will the proposal have on?**

Crime Reduction and Community Safety	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Promoting a sense of ownership, respect and community responsibility for the area.							
Making the upkeep of and maintenance easy.							



What impact will the proposal have on?							
Alcohol, tobacco and Illegal drugs	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
<b>Creating an environment that discourages alcohol consumption and/or illegal drug use</b> (e.g. creating well-lit, highly visible public spaces.)							
<b>Smoke Free Zone</b> (Follow smoking regulation, make a commitment to Breath 2025 during build stage and promote Breath 2025 to potential residents)							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Economy and Employment	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Access to employment and training opportunities (during development stage and beyond)							
Child care facilities and other support services (consider demand for early years provision, school places and wrap around care)							
Provision of accessible employment opportunities appropriate to the skill sets present in local community.							

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Economy and Employment	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
How will the design of the development contribute to work place health? (encourage businesses to sign up to Well @ Work scheme <a href="#">Be Well at Work link</a> )							
Supporting business start-up, development and survival.							
Provision of a safe and pleasant working environment.							

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Economy and Employment	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
<b>Creating an attractive business location that encourage investment</b> (e.g. good infrastructure; clean and pleasant environment)							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Climate Change and Energy Usage	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Promoting renewable energy use (e.g. wind and solar)							
Reducing carbon emissions and pollution (e.g. insulation, sustainable construction methods)							
Minimising risk of flooding (e.g. sustainable drainage systems to safely deal with surface run off)							

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Climate Change and Energy Usage	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
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What impact will the proposal have on?							
Waste, Resource Minimisation and Land Use	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Reducing pollution (e.g., to air, water and soil.)							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Waste, Resource Minimisation and Land Use	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Minimising waste and use of materials during the construction process							
Minimising the impact of dealing with waste created (e.g., increase traffic generated by transporting waste off site to be processed.)							
Making best use of existing land							

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Waste, Resource Minimisation and Land Use	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Encourage recycling (including building materials)?							
Sustainable design and construction methods							
Protection of green space							



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Waste, Resource Minimisation and Land Use	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Sustaining or enhancing biodiversity and geodiversity.							
Protecting available accessible amenity space.							
<b>Landscape Character</b> Think about the effect the proposal will have on the nature and character of the existing site, how loss of any existing green landscape character can be minimised and how the development can enhance landscape character in order to create a green sense of place with a connection to the natural environment.							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Equality, Social Cohesion and Community	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Opportunities for communities to interact socially							
Opportunities for employees to interact socially (e.g., good quality shared spaces both inside and out)							
Local inequalities (How will the local community benefit from this development?)							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Equality, Social Cohesion and Community	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Creating mixed communities with a variety of tenures							
Creating a mix of commercial units							
Preventing community severance (e.g., new road or developments dividing a community in two)							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Equality, Social Cohesion and Community	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Provision of community facilities which promote social interaction (e.g., village hall, community centre, staff room)							

What impact will the proposal have on?							
Access to public services	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Increased demand for and access to healthcare services.							

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Access to public services	Impact			Certainty		Description of impact	Recommendation (to minimise or maximise impact)
	+		0	?	!		
Increased demand for and access to other public and community services and facilities.							
Access routes to buildings, spaces and services for people with mobility problems or disability impairment. Does the property meet The Equality Act 2010 (e.g., paths with dropped curbs to local amenities)							