

Procurement Policy: Well-being Impact Assessment Report

This report summarises the likely impact of the proposal on the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Denbighshire, Wales and the world.

Assessment Number: 1227

Brief description: Development of the Denbighshire Procurement Strategy. The Strategy will support procurement to deliver value for money in the broadest sense including delivery of economic, social, environmental, and cultural impacts to our communities

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Responsible Service: Corporate Support Service: People

Localities affected by the proposal: Whole County,

Who will be affected by the proposal? Commissioning and procuring officers and suppliers will be directly affected. The wider impact will be felt by service users, customers, and communities.

Was this impact assessment completed as a group? No

Summary and Conclusion

Before we look in detail at the contribution and impact of the proposal, it is important to consider how the proposal is applying the sustainable development principle. This means that we must act "in a manner which seeks to ensure that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."

Score for the sustainability of the approach

4 out of 4 stars

Actual score : 36 / 36.

Summary for each Sustainable Development principle

Long term

While the Procurement Strategy itself will not create any physical or financial assets it will support the procurement of such assets, through its application. The intention and aim of the Strategy is to embed new and upcoming procurement regulations (Procurement Reform Bill and Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Act) and enable a procurement approach that contributes to Denbighshire's own corporate objectives.

Prevention

The Strategy will give a framework to commissioning and procurement officers to explore and use new and innovative ways of procuring, it will do this by challenging existing thinking about what we buy as well as new approaches to how we buy, e.g. encouraging more local suppliers, community-led groups, etc, to consider engaging in our supply chain. The Strategy will include the consideration of the following impacts: economic, social, environmental, and cultural.

Integration

The upcoming Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Act obliges the authority to use procurement as a lever to gain well-being impacts. The Strategy addresses these obligations whilst supporting Denbighshire's own corporate well-being objectives.

Collaboration

The Strategy has been developed following engagement with Welsh Government, the PSB, and service areas. The Strategy provides a long-term view of the act of procurement, promotes integration with commissioning, procurement, and contract management, involvement of service areas and client groups inc suppliers, collaboration with Flintshire County Council and promotion of collaborative procurements across the region, and prevention of procurements that do not meet statutory obligations.

Involvement

The Strategy will be a way of thinking and acting, the commissioning and procuring teams across Denbighshire will be deeply involved and awareness will be raised as and when government information on statutory duties is released.

Summary of impact

Well-being Goals	Overall Impact
A prosperous Denbighshire	Positive
<u>A resilient Denbighshire</u>	Positive
<u>A healthier Denbighshire</u>	Positive
A more equal Denbighshire	Positive
A Denbighshire of cohesive communities	Positive
A Denbighshire of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language	Positive
A globally responsible Denbighshire	Positive

Main conclusions

The Report confirms that the Procurement Strategy and its promotion of the new procurement regulations and specifically the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Act 2023 will have an overall positive impact on Denbighshire's desired outcomes.

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The likely impact on Denbighshire, Wales and the world.

A prosperous Denbighshire

Overall Impact

Positive

Justification for impact

Procurement strategy supports and obliges increased engagement with local market to improve/increase local spend.

Further actions required

None identified

Positive impacts identified:

A low carbon society

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations (environmental), aim to reduce carbon footprint.

Quality communications, infrastructure and transport

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations and considers long term approaches to procuring goods, works and services.

Economic development

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations (economic) Strategy reflects new procurement regulations and aims to improve engagement with local suppliers. KPIs of local spend included.

Quality skills for the long term

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, builds capacity in local market through engagement and targeted training and recruitment via Community Benefits approach.

Quality jobs for the long term

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, builds capacity in local market through engagement and targeted training and recruitment via Community Benefits approach.

Childcare

None identified

Negative impacts identified:

A low carbon society

None identified

Quality communications, infrastructure and transport

May lead to increased costs (investment) at procurement stage - buying for the long term where appropriate.

Economic development

None identified

Quality skills for the long term

None identified

Quality jobs for the long term

None identified

Childcare

None identified

A resilient Denbighshire

Overall Impact

Positive

Justification for impact

The strategy brings together qualities required to increase resilience and applies to the procurement of goods works and services.

Further actions required

None identified

Positive impacts identified:

Biodiversity and the natural environment

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including environmental

Biodiversity in the built environment

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including environmental

Reducing waste, reusing and recycling

Challenges officers to consider reuse, reducing and reduction of waste including best use of equipment replaced, e.g. reuse or repurposing of old electrical equipment on procuring new electrical equipment.

Reduced energy/fuel consumption

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including environmental

People's awareness of the environment and biodiversity

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including environmental

Flood risk management

not applicable

Negative impacts identified:

Biodiversity and the natural environment

None identified

Biodiversity in the built environment

None identified

Reducing waste, reusing and recycling

None identified

Reduced energy/fuel consumption

None identified

People's awareness of the environment and biodiversity

None identified

Flood risk management

not applicable

A healthier Denbighshire

Overall Impact

Positive

Justification for impact

Improved access to interventions that support mental and physical well-being will be supported by CB approach.

Further actions required

None identified

Positive impacts identified:

A social and physical environment that encourage and support health and well-being

Some CBs will support this outcome

Access to good quality, healthy food

Some CBs will support this outcome

People's emotional and mental well-being

Some CBs will support this outcome

Access to healthcare

Not applicable

Participation in leisure opportunities

Some CBs will support this outcome

Negative impacts identified:

A social and physical environment that encourage and support health and well-being

None identified

Access to good quality, healthy food

None identified

People's emotional and mental well-being

None identified

Access to healthcare

Not applicable

Participation in leisure opportunities

None identified

A more equal Denbighshire

Overall Impact

Positive

Justification for impact

By working closely with those organisations that seek to support people with protected characteristics and are at risk of discrimination and/or poverty.

Further actions required

None identified

Positive impacts identified:

Improving the well-being of people with protected characteristics. The nine protected characteristics are: age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage or civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; and sexual orientation

Procurement duty

People who suffer discrimination or disadvantage

Procurement duty

People affected by socio-economic disadvantage and unequal outcomes

Work closely with organisations, including Working Denbighshire, to maximise access to targeted

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training and recruitment arising out of CB approach

Areas affected by socio-economic disadvantage

Work closely with organisations that aim to improve these areas to maximise the impact of CBs secured..

Negative impacts identified:

Improving the well-being of people with protected characteristics. The nine protected characteristics are: age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage or civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; and sexual orientation

none identified

People who suffer discrimination or disadvantage

none identified

People affected by socio-economic disadvantage and unequal outcomes

none identified

Areas affected by socio-economic disadvantage

none identified

A Denbighshire of cohesive communities

Overall Impact

Positive

Justification for impact

The Strategy obliges Denbighshire to show socially responsible procurement and that the social, economic, environmental and cultural impacts are considered on every procurement.

Further actions required

None identified

Positive impacts identified:

Safe communities and individuals

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts.

Community participation and resilience

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts.

The attractiveness of the area

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts.

Connected communities

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts.

Rural resilience

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts.

Negative impacts identified:

Safe communities and individuals

none identified

Community participation and resilience

none identified

The attractiveness of the area

none identified

Connected communities

none identified

Rural resilience

none identified

A Denbighshire of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language

Overall Impact

Positive

Justification for impact

Strategy supports socially responsible procurement.

Further actions required

None identified

Positive impacts identified:

People using Welsh

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts, including use of Welsh language

Promoting the Welsh language

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and

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cultural impacts, including promotion of Welsh language

Culture and heritage

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts, not limited to Welsh language but a reflection of our communities' collective culture and heritage.

Negative impacts identified:

People using Welsh

None identified

Promoting the Welsh language

None identified

Culture and heritage

None identified

A globally responsible Denbighshire

Overall Impact

Positive

Justification for impact

Expectations of climate impact will increasingly become part of procurement specifications, evaluations and decisions.

Further actions required

None identified

Positive impacts identified:

Local, national, international supply chains

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts, including obligation to measure and report on full supply chain where this is possible,

Human rights

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts, including obligation to measure and report on full supply chain where this is possible including reporting on human rights and modern slavery.

Broader service provision in the local area or the region

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts. New procurement regulations oblige publication of procurement pipeline to enable local businesses to see what Denbighshire plans to buy. This is intended to share information with local market to enable local suppliers to make informed business decisions, e.g. investment, diversification etc.

Reducing climate change

Meets Socially Responsible Procurement obligations, including social, environmental, economic and cultural impacts, including obligation to measure and report on climate impact via carbon footprint and biodiversity positive CBs

Negative impacts identified:

Local, national, international supply chains

None identified

Human rights

None identified

Broader service provision in the local area or the region

None identified

Reducing climate change

None identified