

Environmental Impact Assessment
MTFP – Waste

The purpose of completing this section is to help identify, forecast and understand any environmental impacts/consequences of the proposal at an early stage so necessary mitigations can be considered.

Criteria	Beneficial Impact		No Impact	Adverse Impact		Cause & Mitigation
	Extent	Term S or L / R or I		Extent	Term S or L / R or I	
Nature Loss of habitats & species, topography changes	Some impact.	S, R				Increased home composting could provide increased biodiversity through creating habitats.
Water Potential for pollution, flood, drainage, use			No impact			
Air Quality, emissions	Some impact from reduced transport					Please see below.
Transport Method, fuel type and use, staff travel, supplier miles	Reduced transport	L, R.				Garden waste currently is transported out of borough to be composted. Increased home composting will reduce the volume of transport required.
Local Resources Energy, materials, paper, electricity, buildings, local sourcing						Please see above.
Waste Increase, disposal, recycling, non-reusable materials. Does it follow the waste hierarchy: reduce, re-use, recycle	Stockport wide impact.	B, R.				Changes in consumer habits has reduced the tonnage of materials in blue bins, freeing up space. Furthermore, if residents require more space, they can order an extra or a larger bin. As a council we promote the waste hierarchy with Refuse, Reduce and Reuse being the first port of call because these actions protect the environment and reduce greenhouse gas emissions the most. It would be a co-benefit if people reduced paper packaging by buying locally, which would work to support the Stockport economy. Data received from other authorities who have introduced similar changes

						to waste services has not shown any increase in the amount of fly tipping within their boroughs.
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KEY			
Extent		Term	
National - UK	N	Short	S
Regional - Greater Manchester	R	Long	L
Borough - Stockport	B	Reversible	R
Local - within one ward	L	Irreversible	I

The Council's Climate Action Now Strategy has the following aim:

'We will incorporate climate impact assessment into everything we do by incorporating it into decision making, report templates and all key strategies'

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