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Policy CO1 – The Protection of Open Space, Sport and Recreation Provision

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
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 seeks to protect existing open spaces which are a key element of the Green Infrastructure Network and only allows for the loss or partial loss in certain circumstances and, where appropriate, replacement provision is provided.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on the wider Green Infrastructure Network promoting quality and accessible open spaces beyond Oldham, as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the</p>	<p>This policy and CO2 ensure that any replacement provision of open space is appropriate and provided in line with the Open Space Standards.</p> <p>In addition, Local Plan policies N1 to N4 on nature address Green Infrastructure. PfE Greener Places chapter also addresses this objective.</p>	None

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						<p>borough boundary, extending into other boroughs.</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>		
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy seeks to protect existing open spaces and only allows for the loss or partial loss in certain circumstances and, where appropriate, replacement provision is provided.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on promoting quality and accessible open spaces beyond Oldham, as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough</p>	<p>None required. This policy and CO2 ensure that any replacement provision is appropriate and provided in line with the Open Space Standards.</p> <p>In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 and JP-P7 address this objective.</p>	None

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						and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs.		
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 seeks to protect existing open spaces which are a key element of the green infrastructure network, which makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, local distinctiveness and sense of place.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-G1 and JP-P1 address this objective.	None
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to protect existing open spaces which are a key element of the green infrastructure network. Open spaces can make a positive contribution to the historic environment and the settings of heritage assets.	No mitigation required. 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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5. To promote high quality design that meets local design expectations	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to protect existing open spaces. Open spaces can make a positive contribution to the design of places and is a key part of ensuring high-quality design.	No mitigation required. Policies D1 to 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 has an indirect positive contribute to this objective by ensuring that land is used effectively by protecting open spaces, which can provide multifunctional benefits. This will also ensure that development is focused on brownfield land rather than greenfield land.	No mitigation required. Policies H1 and H2 of the Local Plan and PfE policies JP-S1 and Policy JP- H4 address the efficient use of land.	None
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to protect existing open spaces which form a key part of the green infrastructure network and can contribute to serving the development needs of existing and new communities. As	No mitigation required. 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	None

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						such, the policy has a positive contribution to this objective.	impact of development on provision.	
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy seeks to protect existing open spaces. Open spaces provide the opportunity for sport, recreation and community engagement, and access to open space is a key contributor to good health and well-being.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on improving health and wellbeing as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs, providing opportunities for those</p>	<p>No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P6 and Local Plan policies CO6 and CO7 and policies on green infrastructure address health and well-being.</p>	None

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						outside of Oldham to benefit.		
9. To minimise and mitigate against flood risk and adapt to the effects of flood risk	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy seeks to protect open spaces which can provide multi-functional benefits including flood storage on natural/ semi-natural open spaces. As such the policy makes an indirect positive contribution to this objective.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on minimising and mitigating against flood risk as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs.</p> <p>Therefore, the positive benefits for flooding that open spaces can provide</p>	<p>No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Policy CC2 and CC3 of the Local Plan address flood risk.</p>	None

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						can extend beyond Oldham.		
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and availability of water resources	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy seeks to protect existing open spaces which may include river corridors or water bodies, and as such makes an indirect positive contribution to this objective.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on this objective as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs. Therefore, the positive benefits for water quality that open spaces can provide can extend beyond Oldham.</p>	<p>No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Local Plan policies CC2 to CC5 address water quality.</p>	None

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	ST (< 5 years)	MT (5 – 10 years)	LT (10+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
11. To protect and improve soil quality, best and most versatile agricultural land, and remediate contaminated land	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy makes an indirect positive contribution to this objective as it seeks to protect existing open spaces from development which could ensure the protection of soil.	No mitigation required. 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 limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. 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	Cross-boundary	The policy seeks to protect open spaces which can provide multi-functional benefits including cooling, the management of surface water flood risk and water storage and also providing opportunities for local food production. Thus, increasing green infrastructure over the	No mitigation required. 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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						<p>years which could support this objective.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on this objective as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs.</p> <p>Therefore, the positive benefits for climate change that open spaces can provide can extend beyond Oldham.</p>		
14. To protect and improve air quality	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy makes an indirect positive contribution to this objective as it seeks to protect open spaces which can provide multi-functional benefits, including capturing</p>	<p>No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S5 and Local Plan Policy LE3 address air quality.</p>	None

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						<p>carbon which will help improve air quality.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on this objective as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs. Therefore, the positive benefits for air quality that open spaces can provide can extend beyond Oldham.</p>		
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	<p>Ensuring the protection of existing open spaces will contribute to protecting local environmental quality as open spaces make a positive contribution to the local environment.</p>	<p>No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P1 and policies LE1 to LE3 of the Local Plan address environmental quality.</p>	None

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	ST (< 5 years)	MT (5 – 10 years)	LT (10+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
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	Open spaces can include, and be accessible to, cycling and walking networks, however the policy in itself will have limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. 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	Local	Ensuring the protection of open spaces will ensure that residents have access to open space near to where they live now, and in the future, in line with the accessibility standard. Thus, reducing the need to travel.	No mitigation required. 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	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy will help promote regeneration and reduce deprivation	No mitigation required. All the policies within PfE and the Local Plan seek	None

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deprivation and disparity						<p>by ensuring the protection of existing open spaces which contribute to social interaction, health and wellbeing and community engagement.</p> <p>Where local open spaces are in need of improvement, policy CO2 ensures that they can be enhanced as part of new development.</p>	<p>to aid regeneration and tackle reducing deprivation and disparity.</p>	
19. To promote sustainable economic growth and job creation	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes limited contribution to this policy.	<p>No mitigation required. PfE policy JP-J1 and JP-J2 and policies within the Economy and Employment section of the Local Plan address economic growth.</p>	None
20. To protect and enhance the vitality and viability of Oldham Town Centre and the centres of	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to protect existing open spaces, some of which may be located within the borough's centres and can contribute to	<p>No mitigation. 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</p>	None

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Chadderton, Failsworth, Hill Stores, Lees, Royton, Shaw and Uppermill						protecting and enhancing vitality.	housing supports this objective.	
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy seeks to protect existing open spaces which can serve as recreation and leisure facilities and in some instances (dependent on scale and type) can support tourism.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on this objective as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs.</p> <p>Therefore, the positive benefits for leisure and tourism that open spaces</p>	No mitigation required. PfE Policies JP-P3 and JP-P4 and Local Plan Policy C2 as well as other policies addresses tourism and leisure.	None

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						can provide can extend beyond Oldham.		
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. 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 limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. 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 limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. The Minerals DPD covers minerals.	None
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. The Waste DPD covers waste.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy will help promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable	No mitigation required. The aim of the Local Plan is to ensure mixed,	None

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sustainable communities						communities by ensuring the protection of existing open spaces which contribute to social interaction, health and wellbeing and community engagement.	balanced, and inclusive communities through, for example, policies on housing and design.	

The policy scored a mixture of significantly positives, positives and neutrals. No negative scores were given and no mitigation or enhancement to the policy was required as a result of the IA.

No changes were made to IA scores between Draft Pan and Publication Plan stage.

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 CO2 – New and Improved Open Space, Sport and Recreation Provision

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
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 seeks to ensure the delivery of new and enhanced open spaces, including as part of new development. It also sets out that open spaces should be multifunctional and integrated into the Green Infrastructure Network. In addition, the policy requires that proposals should have regard to the Green Infrastructure Strategy.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on the wider Green Infrastructure Network promoting quality and accessible open spaces beyond Oldham, as many open space sites are</p>	<p>No mitigation required. Local Plan policies N1 to N4 on nature address Green Infrastructure. In addition, PfE Greener Places chapter also addresses this objective.</p>	None

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						<p>accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs.</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>		
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy seeks ensure the delivery of new and enhanced open spaces, including as part of new development, based on identified deficiencies and accessibility.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on promoting quality and accessible open spaces beyond Oldham, as many open</p>	<p>No mitigation required. Policy CO1 of the Local Plan also address open space – in terms of loss. In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 and JP-P7 address this objective.</p>	None

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						space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs.		
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 seeks to ensure the delivery of new and enhanced open spaces, including as part of new development. Open spaces are a key element of the green infrastructure network, which makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, local distinctiveness and sense of place.	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-G1 and JP-P1 address this objective.	None
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to ensure the delivery of new and enhanced open spaces, including as part	No mitigation required. Policies HE1 to HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies JP-P1 and JP-P2	None

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environment, heritage assets and their setting						of new development. Open spaces can make a positive contribution to the historic environment and the settings of heritage assets.	address the historic environment.	
5. To promote high quality design that meets local design expectations	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to ensure the delivery of new and enhanced open spaces, including as part of new development. Open spaces can make a positive contribution to the design of places and is a key part of ensuring high-quality design within new development. The policy requires that open spaces provided onsite are of a high-quality design, in line with policy D1.	No mitigation required. Policies D1 to 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	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy will help ensure that land is used effectively by promoting the delivery of multifunctional open spaces.	No mitigation required. 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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use of brownfield land								
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to ensure the delivery of new and enhanced open spaces, including as part of new development. In ensuring the delivery of new open spaces, the policy requires that local deficiencies and accessibility are considered. As such the delivery of new and enhanced open spaces can help to meet development needs and ensure impact on existing provision is mitigated.	No mitigation required. 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	Cross-boundary	The policy seeks to ensure the delivery of new and enhanced open spaces, including as part of new development. Open spaces provide the opportunity for sport, recreation and community engagement,	No mitigation required. 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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						<p>and access to open space is a key contributor to good health and well-being.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on improving health and wellbeing as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs, providing opportunities for those outside of Oldham to benefit.</p>		
9. To minimise and mitigate against flood risk and adapt to the effects of flood risk	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy seeks to support new or enhanced open spaces, which can provide multi-functional benefits including flood storage on natural/ semi-natural open spaces. As such the policy makes an</p>	<p>No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Policy CC2 and CC3 of the Local Plan address flood risk.</p>	None

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						<p>indirect positive contribution to this objective.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on minimising and mitigating against flood risk as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs.</p> <p>Therefore, the positive benefits for flooding that new or improved open spaces can provide can extend beyond Oldham.</p>		
10. To protect and improve the quality of water bodies and river corridors and availability of water resources	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy seeks to ensure the delivery of new and enhanced open spaces which may include river corridors or water bodies, and as such enhancing these</p>	<p>No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Local Plan policies CC2 to CC5 address water quality.</p>	None

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						<p>open spaces could make an indirect positive contribution to this objective.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on this objective as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs.</p> <p>Therefore, the positive benefits for water quality that new or improved open spaces can provide can extend beyond Oldham.</p>		
11. To protect and improve soil quality, best and most versatile agricultural land, and remediate	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy makes an indirect positive contribution to this objective as it seeks to ensure the delivery of new and enhanced open	No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-G8 and Policy LE2 of the Local Plan address soil and contaminated land.	None

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contaminated land						spaces which could lead to the improvement and protection of soil, and the remediation of contaminated land.		
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 limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. 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	Cross-boundary	The policy seeks to ensure the delivery of new or enhanced open spaces which can provide multi-functional benefits including cooling, the management of surface water flood risk and water storage and also providing opportunities for local food production. Thus, increasing green infrastructure over the years which could have secondary impacts on this objective.	No mitigation required. 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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14. To protect and improve air quality	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy makes an indirect positive contribution to this objective as it seeks to ensure the delivery of new or enhanced open spaces which can provide multi-functional benefits, including capturing</p>	<p>No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-S5 and Local Plan Policy LE3 address air quality.</p>	None

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						<p>carbon which will help improve air quality.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on this objective as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs.</p> <p>Therefore, the positive benefits for air quality that new or improved open spaces can provide can extend beyond Oldham.</p>		
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	<p>Ensuring the delivery of new or enhanced open spaces will contribute to improving local environmental quality as open spaces make a positive contribution to the local environment.</p>	<p>No mitigation required. PfE Policy JP-P1 and policies LE1 to LE3 of the Local Plan address environmental quality.</p>	None

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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	Open spaces can include, and be accessible to, cycling and walking networks, however the policy in itself will have limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. 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	Local	Ensuring the delivery of new or enhanced open spaces will ensure that residents have access to quality open spaces near to where they live now, and in the future in line with the accessibility standard. Thus, reducing the need to travel.	No mitigation required. 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	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy will help promote regeneration and reduce deprivation	No mitigation required. All the policies within PfE and the Local Plan seek	None

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deprivation and disparity						by supporting the delivery of new and improved open spaces, including sports facilities, which contribute to social interaction, health and wellbeing and community engagement.	to aid regeneration and tackle reducing deprivation and disparity.	
19. To promote sustainable economic growth and job creation	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy makes limited contribution to this objective.	No mitigation required. 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	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy seeks to deliver new and enhanced open spaces, some of which could be located within the borough's centres, which will support their vitality.	No mitigation. 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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy seeks to ensure the delivery of new or enhanced open spaces which can serve as sporting, recreation and leisure facilities and in some instances (dependent on scale and type) can support and generate tourism. Whilst the scale of open space delivered onsite as part of residential development may be more limited, the enhancement of existing provision could sustain and increase the leisure and tourism function of that space.</p> <p>This policy could have a cross-boundary positive impact on this objective as many open space sites are accessible to those outside of the borough and many open spaces may even</p>	<p>No mitigation required. PfE Policies JP-P3 and JP-P4 and Local Plan Policy C2 as well as other policies addresses tourism and leisure.</p>	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						straddle the borough boundary, extending into other boroughs. Therefore, the positive benefits for leisure and tourism that new or improved open spaces can provide can extend beyond Oldham.		
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. 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 limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. 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 limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. The Minerals DPD covers minerals.	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have limited impact on this objective.	No mitigation required. The Waste DPD covers waste.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy will help promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities by ensuring the delivery of new or enhanced open spaces, including as part of new development, which contribute to social interaction, health and wellbeing and community engagement.	No mitigation required. The aim of the Local Plan is to ensure mixed, balanced, and inclusive communities through, for example, policies on housing and design.	None

The policy scored a mixture of significantly positives, positives and neutrals. No negative scores were given, and no mitigation or enhancement to the policy was required as a result of the IA.

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 CO3 – Community Facilities

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
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	The policy will have limited impact on this IA objective. The HRA has screened the policy out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.	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-	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							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	<p>It is considered that this policy would a positive impact on this IA objective, primarily due to the fact that many of the borough's community facilities, such as places of worship and museums, are older and may contribute to the townscape of the borough due to their architectural significance. Their protection from redevelopment unless the policy criteria has been met will help to protect and enhance the character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes.</p>	<p>No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G1 and JP-P1 address this objective.</p>	None
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	<p>It is considered that this policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective, primarily due to</p>	<p>No mitigation needed. Policies HE1 to HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE Policies JP-P1 and JP-P2</p>	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
environment, heritage assets and their setting						the fact that many of the borough's community facilities, such as places of worship and museums, are older and may be heritage assets. Their protection from redevelopment unless the policy criteria has been met will help protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	address the historic environment.	
5. To promote high quality design that meets local design expectations	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies D1 to 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	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy will have a positive impact on this IA objective by only allowing the loss of a community facility if certain policy criteria are met. This helps ensure that land and	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
use of brownfield land						buildings are used in an effective and efficient manner.		
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy will have a positive impact on this IA objective by supporting development proposals for new and improved community facilities, which are an important part of the borough's social 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	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective, due to health-related uses such as doctor's surgeries being a community facility that is supported by this policy and also due to the benefits to mental health in relation to access to	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

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						community facilities that can be derived from visiting them.		
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

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
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 that address this objective include Policies CC2, CC3 and N3.	None
14. To protect and improve air quality	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy is considered to have a positive impact on this IA objective, due to the requirement for new community facilities to be located in areas that are accessible by public transport, walking, wheeling and cycling. This	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						helps to reduce the reliance on the private motor car and therefore protect and improve air quality.		
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy is considered to have a positive impact on this IA objective, due to proposals for new community facilities being supported as long as unacceptable impacts on neighbouring uses, the local environment, highway safety and traffic generation can be mitigated. This helps to protect local environmental quality.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P1 and policies LE1 to LE3 of the Local Plan address environmental quality.	None
16. To promote an integrated and improved transport system that provides sustainable transport choices	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy is considered to have a positive impact on this IA objective, due to the requirement for new community facilities to be located in areas that are accessible by public	No mitigation needed. PfE 'Connected Places' chapter includes policies alongside Policies T1-5 and design policies in the Local Plan that address	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
and improves connectivity, including the walking and cycling network and the protection of the PROW Network						transport, walking, wheeling and cycling.	promoting sustainable transport choices.	
17. To promote accessibility to key services and reduce the need to travel	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy is considered to have a positive impact on this IA objective, due to the requirement for new community facilities to be located in areas that are accessible by public transport, walking, wheeling and cycling, therefore promoting accessibility to key services and reducing the need to travel.	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	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective due to the fact that community facilities	No mitigation needed. The Local Plan promotes regeneration in several ways.	None

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	ST (< 5 years)	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						can be drivers for sustainable economic growth and job creation, due to – for instance, cultural facilities putting on productions throughout the year which drive employment in the arts and can attract visitors to the borough. Furthermore, community facilities can also help reduce levels of deprivation and disparity by being used for educational and employment purposes.	Reducing deprivation and disparity is a key aim of the Local Plan.	
19. To promote sustainable economic growth and job creation	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective due to the fact that community facilities can be drivers for sustainable economic growth and job creation, due to – for instance, cultural facilities putting on	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

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						productions throughout the year which drive employment in the arts and can attract visitors to the borough.		
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	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective due to the fact that community facilities can protect and enhance the vitality and viability of the centres of Oldham, where they are located.	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	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective due to the fact that some community facilities can promote sustainable tourism and leisure, for instance, cultural facilities putting on	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						productions throughout the year which drive employment in the arts and can attract visitors to the borough.		
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive long-term impact on this IA objective due to the fact that community facilities, such as education and training facilities can be important places for people to improve education attainment and skill levels in the arts.	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

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
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	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective due to the fact that community facilities can promote mixed, balanced and inclusive communities due to the role they play in them.	No mitigation needed. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan such as those on housing mix and tenure and design aim to address this objective.	None

The policy scored a mixture of significantly positives, positives and neutrals. No mitigation or enhancements were identified for the policy as a result of the IA.

Since the Draft Plan the policy has been revised in places but not significantly.

IA3, IA4, IA8, IA18, IA19, IA20, IA21, IA22 and IA26 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 from positive to significantly positive.

IA6, IA7, IA14 and IA15 have all been amended from a neutral to a positive as on reflection it is felt that the policy does help to achieve these objectives.

IA17 has also been amended from a neutral to a significantly positive as on reflection the policy is aiming to ensure community facilities are in accessible locations which is the focus of this objective.

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 CO4 – Education and Skills

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
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 due to the requirement for providing high quality outdoor facilities which can contribute to enhancing the multifunctional green infrastructure network.</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>	<p>No mitigation needed. Local Plan policies N1 to N4 on nature, address Green Infrastructure. In addition, PfE Greener chapter also addresses objective.</p>	None
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	<p>The policy would have a positive impact on this objective due to the requirement for providing high-quality</p>	<p>No mitigation needed. Policies CO1 and CO2 of the Local Plan address open space. In addition,</p>	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						indoor and outdoor facilities which where the opportunities arise may be shared facilities by the local community. This will help to promote access to open spaces.	PfE Policies 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G1 and JP-P1 address this objective.	None
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective. Although it is acknowledged that some educational facilities may have historic interest	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						which the policy would help protect.		
5. To promote high quality design that meets local design expectations	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective due to the requirement for new facilities to be of high quality.	No mitigation needed. Policies D1 to 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 will have a positive impact on this IA objective by only supporting development proposals for education and skills in the appropriate locations. This helps ensure that land and buildings are used in an effective and efficient manner.	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
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective as it states suitable sites for educational use will be identified where there is	There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure. Moreover, Local Plan policy IN2 requires that planning	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
meet development needs						a need for them, ensuring an adequate level of supporting infrastructure for new development.	conditions or obligations are used to mitigate the impact of development on provision.	
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact upon this objective, because access to education is known to improve health and wellbeing. Specifically in relation to learning about healthy food choices and active lifestyles for example. Also, the provision of facilities that may be shared by the local community will also contribute towards this 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective.	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
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 contribution 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 contribution 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 contribution 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution 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	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
effects of climate change							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 IA objective due to the requirement for new facilities to be accessible by public transport and active travel modes, helping to reduce the need to travel by private car which will 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 is considered to have a positive impact on this IA objective by supporting proposals that are located, designed and managed to minimise the impacts of associated traffic and car parking on the surrounding area.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P1 and policies LE1 to LE3 of the Local Plan address environmental quality.	None
16. To promote an integrated and	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy would have a positive impact upon this 'Connected Places'	No mitigation needed. PfE 'Connected Places'	None

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	ST (< 5 years)	MT (5 - 10 years)	LT (10+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
improved transport system that provides sustainable transport choices and improves connectivity, including the walking and cycling network and the protection of the PROW Network						IA objective as one of the requirements of the policy is to ensure that the location of any new education facilities are accessible by public transport, walking, wheeling and cycling.	chapter includes policies alongside Policies T1-5 and design policies in the Local Plan that address promoting sustainable transport choices.	
17. To promote accessibility to key services and reduce the need to travel	++	++	++	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy would have a positive impact upon this IA objective as one of the requirements of the policy is to ensure that the location of any new education facilities are located within the community they are intended to serve and that they are accessible by public transport, walking, wheeling and cycling.	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

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	ST (< 5 years)	MT (5 - 10 years)	LT (10+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	<p>It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact upon this IA objective due to the benefits associated with new education facilities. Access to good quality education is a key driver for reducing levels of deprivation and disparity.</p>	<p>No mitigation needed. The Local Plan promotes regeneration in several ways. Reducing deprivation and disparity is a key aim of the Local Plan.</p>	None
19. To promote sustainable economic growth and job creation	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	<p>The policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective due to fact that access to education, for instance, in relation to post 16 education, allows people to retrain for new sectors and allow for job creation.</p>	<p>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.</p>	None
20. To protect and enhance the vitality and viability of Oldham Town Centre and the centres of	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	<p>The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective.</p>	<p>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</p>	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
Chadderton, Failsworth, Hill Stores, Lees, Royton, Shaw and Uppermill							centre and housing supports this objective.	
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective.	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
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact upon this IA objective due to good quality education being a key driver for improving education attainment and skill levels.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P5 and Local Plan policy CO5 address this objective. Residential Development' 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 contribution on this IA objective.	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable management of minerals	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution 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 contribution on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective. Education institutions in the communities they are intended to serve and accessible by public transport, walking, wheeling and cycling help create 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 significantly positives, positives and neutrals. No mitigation or enhancements to the policy were made as a result of the IA.

Since the Draft Plan the policy has been revised in places but not significantly.

IA6 has been amended from a neutral a positive as on reflection it is felt that the policy does help to achieve this objective by only supporting development proposals for education and skills in appropriate locations.

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 CO5 – Securing Educational Places through new Residential Development

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
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	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective. The HRA has screened the policy out. No Likely Significant Effect on any European Site is anticipated from the operation of this policy.	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 contribution 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 character and appearance of landscapes and townscapes, maintaining and strengthening local	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G1 and JP-P1 address this objective.	None

distinctiveness and sense of place								
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and their setting	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective.	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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies D1 to 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 contribution 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
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective due to the requirement to provide S106 monies towards the provision of educational places at local schools, which would ensure an appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure in relation to new development.	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 contribution 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution 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 contribution 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 contribution 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 contribution 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE policies JP-P1, JP-G2 and JP-S4 address this	None

biodiversity are resilient to the effects of climate change						objective. Within the Local Plan policies 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 contribution on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S5 and Local Plan Policy LE3 address air quality.
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P1 and policies LE1 to LE3 of the Local Plan address 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 contribution 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.
17. To promote accessibility to key services and reduce the need to travel	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this objective by securing S106 monies for new educational facilities which are considered to be a key service.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policies JP-C1 and JP-S5 and Local Plan policies C4, H1, H2 and T2 can help achieve this objective.

18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact upon this IA objective due to the benefits associated with new education facilities being established in areas of development. Access to good quality education is one of the key drivers for reducing levels of deprivation and disparity.	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 contribution 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 contribution 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
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policies JP-P3 and JP-P4 and Local Plan Policy C2 as well as other	None

							policies addresses tourism and leisure.	
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact upon this objective due to the benefits associated with new education facilities being established in areas of development. Access to good quality education is one of the key drivers for improving education attainment and skill levels.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P5 and Local Plan policy CO4 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 contribution 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 contribution 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 contribution on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy is considered to have a positive impact on this objective,	No mitigation needed. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan such as	None

						primarily in relation to how it can help promote inclusivity and ensure mixed communities through the creation of new schools.	those on housing mix and tenure, communities and design aim to address this objective.	
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The policy scored a mixture of significantly positives, positives and neutrals, with a high positive result in relation objective 22. No mitigation or enhancements to the policy were required as a result of the IA.

Since the Draft Plan the policy has been revised in places but not significantly.

IA8 has been amended from a positive to a neutral as on reflection it is felt that the policy is more concerned with the mechanism for providing new education places.

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 CO6 – Health Impact Assessments in New Development

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
1. To protect, conserve and enhance a high quality multifunctional green infrastructure network, including biodiversity and geodiversity that is ecologically connected	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	<p>It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective. The use of Health Impact Assessments (HIAs) could lead to an improvement to an accessible open space and / or natural environment as one of its recommendations which may include the multifunctional green infrastructure network.</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>	<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.</p>	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective. The use of a HIA could lead to an improvement to an accessible open space for instance as one of its recommendations.	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 local distinctiveness and sense of place	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution to this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G1 and JP-P1 address this objective.	None
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution to this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies HE1 to HE5 of the Local Plan and PfE	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
historic environment, heritage assets and their setting							Policies JP-P1 and JP-P2 address the historic environment.	
5. To promote high quality design that meets local design expectations	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution to this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies D1 to 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 contribution to 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
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	It is considered that the policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective. The policy requires residential developments that will create or exacerbate, a	There are several policies within PfE and the Local Plan that address infrastructure. Moreover, Local Plan policy IN2 requires that planning conditions or	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
development needs.						shortfall in health provision to address the unmet need generated by the development, as appropriate.	obligations are used to mitigate the impact of development on provision.	
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy is focused on new health care provision and ensuring HIAs are required where appropriate to understand the developments impact on health and well-being.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P6 and Local Plan policy 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution to 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 contribution to this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S4 and Local Plan policies CC2 to CC5 address water quality.	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
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 contribution to 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 contribution to 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 and infrastructure are resilient to the effects of climate change	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution to 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

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
14. To protect and improve air quality	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	<p>The policy establishes a requirement to submit an HIA for certain developments. The use of an HIA can help in providing a number of recommendations, such as in relation to air quality and improving access to active travel. This could have an indirect positive impact on air quality, by ensuring that people can travel by active modes and reduce the use of travel by car.</p>	<p>No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S5 and Local Plan Policy LE3 address air quality.</p>	None
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	<p>The policy establishes a requirement to submit an HIA for certain developments. The use of an HIA can help in providing a number of recommendations, such as in relation to air quality, noise and amenity.</p>	<p>No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P1 and policies LE1 to LE3 of the Local Plan address environmental quality.</p>	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
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	Local	The policy establishes a requirement to submit an HIA for certain developments. The use of an HIA can help in providing a number of recommendations, such as in relation to improving access to active travel ensuring that people can travel by active modes and reduce the use of the 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	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy establishes a requirement to submit an HIA for certain developments. The use of an HIA can help in providing a number of recommendations, such as in relation to improving access to	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

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
						active travel ensuring that people can travel by active modes and reduce the use of the car and in relation to access to health care services, open spaces and work and training.		
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy establishes a requirement to submit an HIA for certain developments. The use of an HIA can help in providing a number of recommendations, such as in relation to access to work and training and healthcare services and other social infrastructure – all of which will help reduce levels of deprivation and disparity.	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	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy establishes a requirement to submit an HIA for certain developments. The use of an HIA can help in providing a number of	No mitigation needed. PfE policy JP-J1 and JP-J2 and policies within the Economy and Employment section of	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
						recommendations, such as in relation to accessibility and active travel and access to work and training which will help to promote sustainable economic growth and job creation.	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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution to 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
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution to this IA objective.	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
22. To improve education	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy establishes a requirement to submit an	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P5 and	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
attainment and skill levels						HIA for certain developments. The use of an HIA can help in providing a number of recommendations, such as in relation to access to work and training and other social infrastructure – both of which may help improve education attainment and skill levels.	Local Plan policies CO4 and CO5 address this objective.	
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 establishes a requirement to submit an HIA for certain developments. The use of an HIA can help in providing a number of recommendations, such as a requirement to create a better mix of property tenures, for instance, in order to meet local housing needs.	No mitigation needed. Policies within PfE and the Local Plan on housing address this objective.	None
24. To ensure the prudent use and sustainable	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution to this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Minerals DPD addresses this.	None

IA Objective	Score	Score	Score	Effects are Temporary or Permanent	Scale	Justification	Mitigation / enhancement	Changes made as a result of the IA
management of minerals								
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy will have a limited contribution to this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy establishes a requirement to submit an HIA for certain developments. The use of an HIA can help in providing a number of recommendations – it could include a requirement to create a better mix of property tenures, for instance, in order to achieve an inclusive and sustainable development.	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 neutral, positives and significantly positive scores. Some effects were cross boundary, but the majority were local. No mitigation or enhancements to the policy was required as a result of the IA.

Since Draft Plan stage this policy has been amended to consider the provision of health care facilities and to provide more detail on what a HIA should demonstrate. As a result of the policy wording changes IA1, IA7, IA15, IA17 and IA22 have been amended from neutral scores to positive scores, and IA 8 has been amended from a single positive to a significant positive.

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 CO7 – Hot Food Takeaways and fast food outlets

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
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 would 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>	<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.</p>	None
2. To promote quality and accessible open spaces	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	<p>The policy would have a limited impact on this IA objective.</p>	<p>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.</p>	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							In addition, PfE Policies JP-G2 'Green Infrastructure Network' and JP-P7 'Sport and Recreation' 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 will help avoid a concentration of hot food take aways and fast-food outlets within Oldham Town Centre which will help maintain sense of place.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-G1 and JP-P1 address this objective.	None
4. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment, heritage assets	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would have limited impact on this IA objective.	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
and their setting								
5. To promote high quality design that meets local design expectations	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would have limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. Policies D1 to 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 would have 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
7. To ensure appropriate provision of supporting infrastructure to meet development needs	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would have 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	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
							development on provision.	
8. To improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The aim of the policy is to ensure that there is no unacceptable concentration of hot food takeaways or fast food outlets in certain locations. Furthermore, the policy requires the submission of a Health Impact Assessment (HIA). This should help to improve health and well-being and reduce health inequalities.	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-P6 and Local Plan policy CO6 and policies on green infrastructure address health and well-being.	None
9. To minimise and mitigate	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would have a limited	No mitigation needed. PfE Policy JP-S4 and	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
against flood risk and adapt to the effects of flood risk						impact on this IA objective.	Policy CC2 and CC3 of the 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 would 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 would 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would 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

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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
efficiency and the use of renewable and low carbon energy								
13. To ensure communities, infrastructure and biodiversity are resilient to the effects of climate change	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would 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	+	+	+	Permanent	Cross-boundary	The policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective due to the requirement for appropriately designed and sited fume extraction systems in new hot foot takeaways and fast food outlets.	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						Impact on traffic management also needs to be considered which influences air pollution.		
15. To protect and improve local environmental quality	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective due to the number of requirements the policy has that will contribute towards protecting and improving local environmental quality, including no unacceptable impact on residential amenity, no adverse implications for traffic management, parking or	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+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						highway safety and appropriate litter provision.		
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 would 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 would 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

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	ST (< 5 years)	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
18. To promote regeneration and reduce levels of deprivation and disparity	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would 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 would 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	++	++	++	Permanent	Local	The policy would have a positive impact on this IA objective as there are only certain circumstances in which hot food take aways and fast food outlets will be permitted. This will help protect and enhance the	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

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	ST (< 5 years)	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
						vitality and viability of our centres.		
21. To promote sustainable tourism and leisure	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would 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 addresses tourism and leisure.	None
22. To improve education attainment and skill levels	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would 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 would 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	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would have a limited impact on this IA objective.	No mitigation needed. The Minerals DPD addresses this.	None

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	ST (< 5 years)	MT (5-10 years)	LT (10+ years)	T or P	Local or Cross-boundary			
management of minerals								
25. To manage waste sustainably in line with the waste hierarchy	+	+	+	Permanent	Local	The policy includes a requirement for ensuring that waste is effectively managed from new hot food takeaways and fast food outlets.	No mitigation needed. The Waste DPD addresses this.	None
26. To promote mixed, balanced and inclusive sustainable communities	--	--	--	N/A	N/A	The policy would have 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 one significantly positive score against health, positives, and neutrals. No mitigation or enhancements to the policy were made as a result of the IA.

Since Draft Plan stage this policy has been amended to reflect changes to national planning policy for hot food takeaways and fast food outlets. These amendments have not resulted in any scoring changes in themselves, however on reflection IA15 and IA20 have been changed from a positive impact to a significantly positive impact.

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.