

Sustainability Impact Assessment (SIA) Tool - Cabinet decision/report

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Decision/report aim: To approve the appointment of contractors to deliver the Marine Walk public realm improvements and seafront infrastructure. (Sea Change)

Lead Officer:

Impact Score of decision Outcomes		Summary
++	Significant Positive Effect	
+	Marginal Positive Effect	
0	Neutral or No Effect	
-	Marginal Negative Effect	
--	Significant Negative Effect	
?	Uncertainty Over Effect	

	Description	Impact Score of decision Outcomes	Evidence (Detail how the change in impact will occur)	Action - change to decision requirement (Identify any countermeasures)
Sustainability Appraisal	1. Supports a Prosperous City / Learning City: does the decision			
	1a. Stimulate economic growth in Sunderland (e.g. by using local suppliers, creating employment for Sunderland residents)	+	Public realm work has potential to create local employment opportunities. Where practicable, Tenderers will be expected to have considered the use of local companies for the supply of materials, and any sub contract work required in undertaking the Contract.	
	1b. Close skills gaps and support those currently workless into employment in Sunderland?	0	Although there is potential to create local employment the recruitment will be undertaken by the appointed contractor, and may not be specifically targeted at the workless.	
	2. Supports a Healthy City: does the decision			
	2a. Improve life expectancy of Sunderland residents to match the national average	0	There is no evidence that the project will enhance life expectancy, although it has potential to improve quality of life.	
	2b. Improve the emotional health and wellbeing of all residents	++	94% of respondents to the 2007 Community Spirit survey stated the seafront was important to their quality of life. The purpose of the project as set out in the Marine Walk Masterplan (2010) is to create an attractive environment at Roker seafront where both residents and visitors can relax.	
	2c. Support people to live independently	0	N/A	
	2d. Improve healthy lifestyles of residents, through exercise, and reducing both alcohol misuse and smoking	+	The improvements have the potential to encourage residents to make greater use of the seafront and live a more active lifestyle.	
	3. Supports an Attractive and Inclusive City: does the decision			
	3a. Improve housing locations, choice and price in Sunderland?	0	N/A	
	3b. Support sustainable patterns of consumption and development	+	The seafront infrastructure incorporate renewables including solar panels and windturbines. The contract states wood used for the infrastructure must be FSC accredited.	
	3c. Protect and enhance the natural and built environment in Sunderland	++	Both the seafront infrastructure and public realm improvements will enhance the natural environment. The interpretation trail and education space will seek to raise awareness of the areas rich natural environment and	
	3d. Develop respect and trust between communities	0	N/A	

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	3e. Enable local people and groups to influence local decisions	+	The proposals have been subject to considerable consultation. A city-wide consultation took place from 16 February to 3 April 2009 on the future of the seafront. Over 2,500 responses were received. The results of the consultation informed the development of the Seafront Regeneration Strategy and Marine Walk Masterplan. Both documents underwent public consultation between 8th August and 18th September 2009 before being amended as necessary and adopted by the council in February 2010. The detailed proposals for Marine Walk have been developed in consultation with local businesses and interest groups.	
	4. Supports a Safe City: does the decision			
	4a. Help residents be free from crime, harm and involvement in crime.	+	The improvements include new lighting which will increase feelings of safety on an evening. The improvements have the potential to attract additional visitors to the area and by doing so increase eyes on street and feelings of safety.	
Environmental Impact Assessment	5. Other environmental issues: does the decision			
	5a. Meet environmental legislation.	++	The proposals will deliver the first phase of the Marine Walk Masterplan. Under the requirements of the European Directive 2001/42/EC a Strategic Environmental Assessment and Appropriate Assessment have been prepared alongside and informed the masterplan. These documents are available at www.sunderland.gov.uk/roker .	
	5b. Limit local environmental pollution and hazards	0	Work on-site will be carefully managed to ensure materials are disposed of appropriately. A Site Waste Management Plan will be required from the construction company managing the site. There will be no hazardous waste to dispose of.	
	5c. Improve sustainable transport and communications.	+	The public realm improvements incorporate traffic calming to reduce the conflict between vehicles and pedestrians and shift the priority to sustainable modes of transport such as walking	
	5d. Consider and reduce risks from weather and climate change.	0	The public realm scheme has been designed to be inkeeping with the Shoreline Management Plan for this stretch of coastline which states coastal defences at Marine Walk should be maintained.	
	5e. Is a statutory Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) required?	++	The proposals will deliver the first phase of the Marine Walk Masterplan. Under the requirements of the European Directive 2001/42/EC a Strategic Environmental Assessment and Appropriate Assessment have been prepared alongside and informed the masterplan. These documents are	

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