

# Scottish Borders Council

# **Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA)**

## Part 1 Scoping

## 1 Details of the Proposal

Title of Proposal:	Supplementary Planning Guidance: Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS)
What is it?	A new Policy/Strategy/Practice ⊠ A revised Policy/Strategy/Practice □
Description of the proposal: (Set out a clear understanding of the purpose of the proposal being developed or reviewed (what are the aims, objectives and intended outcomes, including the context within which it will operate).	This assessment considers a report that seeks approval of the Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) on Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems. (SUDS).  The finalised SPG aims to give guidance to a range of interested parties with regards to incorporating SUDS schemes into development proposals. It makes reference to the purpose of SUDS, good and bad practice examples and the requirements for planning, building standards, roads. Scottish Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA) and Scottish Water.

	Once approved by the Planning and Building Standards Committee the SPG will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications.
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Other Officers/Partners involved: (List names, job titles and organisations)	Sharon Renwick, Assistant Planning Officer Laura Bell – Planning Officer
Date(s) IIA completed:	20 <sup>th</sup> July 2020

# Will there be any cumulative impacts as a result of the relationship between this proposal and other policies?

If yes, - please state here:		
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## 3 Legislative Requirements

## 3.1 Relevance to the Equality Duty:

#### Do you believe your proposal has any relevance under the Equality Act 2010? No

(If you believe that your proposal may have some relevance – however small please indicate yes. If there is no effect, please enter "No" and go to Section 3.2.)

Equality Duty	Reasoning:
Elimination of discrimination (both direct & indirect), victimisation and harassment. (Will the proposal discriminate? Or help eliminate discrimination?)	
Promotion of equality of opportunity? (Will your proposal help or hinder the Council with this)	Given the nature of the assessment, it is deemed not relevant to the Equality Duty.
Foster good relations? (Will your proposal help or hinder the council s relationships with those who have equality characteristics?)	

Which groups of people do you think will be or potentially could be, impacted by the implementation of this proposal? (You should consider employees, clients, customers / service users, and any other relevant groups)

Please tick below as appropriate, outlining any potential impacts on the undernoted equality groups this proposal may have and how you know this.

Impact			Please explain the potential impacts and how you
No	Positive Negative		know this
Impact	Impact	Impact	

All of the protected characteristics including Age, Disability, Gender Reassignment Trans/Transgender Identity, Marriage or Civil Partnership, Pregnancy and Maternity, Race Groups: Religion or Belief: Sex – Gender Identity Sexual Orientation.	х					
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#### 3.3 Fairer Scotland Duty

This duty places a legal responsibility on Scottish Borders Council (SBC) to actively consider (give due regard) to how we can reduce inequalities of outcome caused by socioeconomic disadvantage when making <u>strategic</u> decisions.

The duty is set at a strategic level - these are the key, high level decisions that SBC will take. This would normally include strategy documents, decisions about setting priorities, allocating resources and commissioning services.

Is the proposal strategic? - No

If No go to Section 4

If yes, please indicate any potential impact on the undernoted groups this proposal may have and how you know this:

	Impact			State here how you know this
	No	Positive	Negative	
	Impact	Impact	Impact	
Low and/or No Wealth				
Material Deprivation	Χ			
Area Deprivation				
Socio-economic Background				
Looked after and accommodated children and				
young people				
Carers				
Homelessness				
Addictions and substance use				
Those involved within the criminal justice system				

### 4 Full Integrated Impact Assessment Required

Select No if you have answered "No" to all of Sections 3.1 – 3.3.

#### No

If a full impact assessment is not required briefly explain why there are no effects and provide justification for the decision.

The subject matter of this assessment is considered not relevant to the General Duty of the Fairer Scotland Duty. Therefore a full assessment is not required.

Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS) are required for predominately larger developments (e.g. housing) as part of the planning process. Scottish Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA) and Scottish Water often feed into this process and will influence the design and citing of SUDS which is worked out on the physical characteristics of the land.

SUDS is a good practise process which is a requirement at a national level and must be implemented. SUDS have a number of benefits primarily in terms of sustainability and reduced flood risk. There will be some benefits to people who move to areas with well-designed SUDS such as, for example, amenity and biodiversity

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Date:	5 <sup>th</sup> August 2020			