



MATERIAL PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Environmental impact considerations are vital in the planning process to ensure that developments do not harm the natural environment. This guide highlights the key points to consider to promote sustainable and environmentally friendly development.

Key Considerations

Biodiversity and Habitats:

- ✓ Assess the impact on local wildlife and habitats.
- ✓ Implement measures to protect and enhance biodiversity.

Air and Water Quality:

- ✓ Evaluate the potential impact on air and water quality.
- ✓ Implement strategies to mitigate pollution and protect natural resources.

Land Use and Soil Quality:

- ✓ Consider the suitability of the land for development.
- ✓ Assess the impact on soil quality and implement measures to prevent erosion and degradation.

Mitigation Measures

- Use green infrastructure to manage environmental impacts.
- Implement sustainable drainage systems (SuDS) to manage water runoff.
- Protect and restore natural habitats and biodiversity.

Compliance and Monitoring

- Adhere to environmental regulations and standards.
- Regularly monitor and report on environmental impacts.

By considering these factors, we can ensure that developments are environmentally sustainable and contribute positively to the ecosystem.