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**Document Title:** Heat Networks Statement Non-statutory Planning Guidance

**Document Type:** Other

**New/Existing:** New

**Period Covered:** 07/09/2020 - 07/09/2030

**Document Description:**

The purpose of this non-statutory planning guidance is to provide detail and guidance for developers and agents to support the Dundee Local Development Plan in the delivery of Policy 46 Delivery of Heat Networks. The requirement under Policy 46 is for developers to demonstrate how they will comply with the policy through their development.

**Intended Outcome:**

The outcome is ensure there is clear guidance for developers and therefore a standard approach to what is expected in the content of the statement required under Policy 46. The guidance should avoid any ambiguity of what the Council expects from any supporting statement with an application and would allow adequate assessment of any proposals against Policy 46 when considering a planning application.

**How will the proposal be monitored?:**

It will be monitored as part of the monitoring of Policy 46 usage and the implementation of the Dundee Local Development Plan 2019. It will also be considered further as part of any review and update of the development plan.

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**A. Equality and Diversity Impacts:**

**Age:**  No Impact

**Disability:**  No Impact

**Gender Reassignment:**  No Impact

**Marriage and Civil Partnership:**  No Impact

**Pregnancy and Maternity:**  No Impact

**Race/Ethnicity:**  No Impact

**Religion or Belief:**  No Impact

**Sex:**  No Impact

**Sexual Orientation:**  No Impact

**Equality and diversity Implications:**

The proposed draft guidance is to help developers understand how to apply Policy 46 of the local development plan when submitting an application. This will not have any impact in terms of equality and diversity.

**Proposed Mitigating Actions:**

None required.

**Is the proposal subject to a full EQIA?:** No

The proposed draft guidance is to help developers understand how to apply Policy 46 of the local development plan when submitting an application. This will not have any impact in terms of equality and diversity.

**B. Fairness and Poverty Impacts:**

**Geography**

 **Strathmartine (Ardler, St Mary's and Kirkton):**  No Impact

 **Lochee(Lochee/Beechwood, Charleston and Menzieshill):**  No Impact

 **Coldside(Hilltown, Fairmuir and Coldside):**  No Impact

 **Maryfield(Stobswell and City Centre):**  No Impact

 **North East(Whitfield, Fintry and Mill O' Mains):**  No Impact

 **East End(Mid Craigie, Linlathen and Douglas):**  No Impact

 **The Ferry:**  No Impact

 **West End:**  No Impact

**Household Group**

 **Lone Parent Families:**  No Impact

 **Greater Number of children and/or Young Children:**  No Impact

 **Pensioners - Single/Couple:**  No Impact

 **Single female households with children:**  No Impact

 **Unskilled workers or unemployed:**  No Impact

 **Serious and enduring mental health problems:**  No Impact

 **Homeless:**  No Impact

 **Drug and/or alcohol problems:**  No Impact

 **Offenders and Ex-offenders:**  No Impact

 **Looked after children and care leavers:**  No Impact

 **Carers:**  No Impact

**Significant Impact**

 **Employment:**  No Impact

 **Education and Skills:**  No Impact

 **Benefit Advice/Income Maximisation:**  No Impact

 **Childcare:**  No Impact

 **Affordability and Accessibility of services:**  No Impact

**Fairness and Poverty Implications:**

The draft guidance to help developers understand how to apply Policy 46 of the local development plan when preparing information for planning applications.. The guidance itself will not have any impact in terms of poverty and fairness however as assessed through the preparation of the development plan the application of Policy 46 within a proposal seeks to help address issues such as full poverty and should therefore have a positive long term effect.

**Proposed Mitigating Actions:**

No mitigation required.

**C. Environmental Impacts**

**Climate Change**

 **Mitigating greenhouse gases:**  Positive

 **Adapting to the effects of climate change:**  Positive

**Resource Use**

 **Energy efficiency and consumption:**  Positive

 **Prevention, reduction, re-use, recovery or recycling waste:**  Positive

 **Sustainable Procurement:**  No Impact

**Transport**

 **Accessible transport provision:**  No Impact

 **Sustainable modes of transport:**  No Impact

**Natural Environment**

 **Air, land and water quality:**  No Impact

 **Biodiversity:**  No Impact

 **Open and green spaces:**  No Impact

**Built Environment**

 **Built Heritage:**  No Impact

 **Housing:**  Positive

**Is the proposal subject to Strategic Environmental Assessment**

No further action is required as it does not qualify as a Plan, Programme or Strategy as defined by the Environment Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

**Proposed Mitigating Actions:**

No mitigation action required.

**Environmental Implications:**

The guidance has been prepared to help developers address Policy 46 when preparing planning applications. The consideration of Policy 46 within proposals as a sustainable and low carbon form of heating will have a positive impact in terms of responding to the climate emergency.

**D. Corporate Risk Impacts**

**Corporate Risk Implications:**

The risk implications associated with the subject matter of this report are 'business as normal' risks. The subject matter is routine and has happened many times before without significant loss. There is comfort that the risks inherent within the activity are either transferred to another party, shared equally and fairly between the Council and another party or are negligible.

**Corporate Risk Mitigating Actions:**