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Impact Summary

Climate Change & Energy	Amber - Minor negative impacts identified / unknown impacts	
Communities & Culture	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Waste & Resource Use	Amber - Minor negative impacts identified / unknown impacts	
Economy	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Health & Wellbeing	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Learning & Skills	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Natural Environment	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Sustainable Procurement	Green - Only positive impacts identified	
Transport & Accessibility	Green - Only positive impacts identified	

Answers provided indicate that the score for the carbon footprint of the proposal is: 5

Answers provided indicate that the carbon footprint of the proposal is:	Moderate	
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Type of Proposal: Report

Brief description:

The making of a Compulsory Purchase Order to secure the acquisition of the Royal Arcade, should an agreement by private treaty not be reached. Following this the council will undertake the refurbishment, alteration and change of use of the Royal Arcade to provide a destination retail, food, and entertainment offer on the ground floor with flexible office space and a Digital Skills, Innovation and Learning Hub above.

Proposer's Name: Irene Ferns

Proposer's Directorate: Regeneration & Economy

Proposer's Service Unit: Growth & Infrastructure

Estimated cost (£): Above PCR15 threshold

If known, the cost amount (£):

Ward(s) Affected (if applicable):

Boscombe West

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) supported by the proposal:

1. No Poverty 3. Good Health and Well Being 4. Quality Education 5. Gender Equality 7. Affordable and Clean Energy 8. Decent Work and Economic Growth 10. Reduced Inequalities 11. Sustainable Cities and Communities 12. Responsible Consumption and Production 13. Climate Action 16. Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions



Climate Change & Energy

Is the proposal likely to have any impacts (positive or negative) on addressing the causes and effects of climate change? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (in this case there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Has the proposal accounted for the potential impacts of climate change, e.g. flooding, storms or heatwaves? **Yes**
- 2) Does it assist reducing CO2 and other Green House Gas (GHG) emissions? E.g. reduction in energy or transport use, or waste produced. **Partially**
- 3) Will it increase energy efficiency (e.g. increased efficiency standards / better design / improved construction technologies / choice of materials) and/or reduce energy consumption? **Partially**
- 4) Will it increase the amount of energy obtained from renewable and low carbon sources? **Yes**

How was the overall impact of the proposal on its ability to positively address the cause and effects of climate change rated?

Amber - Minor negative impacts identified / unknown impacts



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

All measures proposed are in step with the Emergency Action Plan. By prioritising environmental sustainability in the project's design and operations, the regeneration of the Royal Arcade can contribute to a more sustainable and resilient local economy and environment. There is no gas in the building and no central heating. The existing retail units have localised heating through overhead units and wall-mounted electric radiators. There is little evidence of heating on the upper floors. All the glazing is single panes. There is little or any insulation in the roof. The environmental strategy for the project is designed to make maximum improvements whilst minimising change and interventions to the listed building. To manage environmental sustainability, a green lease provision will be included in the selected Arcade operator's lease, who will be responsible for producing an Environmental Management Plan and provide results to the Council. They will ensure that all units within the Arcade respond to BCP environmental policies. Sustainable design and construction practices will be employed in the redevelopment work where possible. Environmentally friendly materials and techniques will be prioritised in the capital works, such as using sustainably sourced materials and reducing the building's carbon footprint. The upper floors will benefit from the installation of lifts, heating,

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cooling, lighting, insulation and secondary glazing. A Heritage Lottery Fund activity project will tell visitors how the Arcade is adapting to climate change and highlight the environmental measures used on the site. We will include key messaging in our marketing material, promoting Boscombe as a sustainable tourist destination, attracting visitors interested in environmentally friendly initiatives and supporting sustainable businesses. In relation to the food hall, extraction for cooking will be carefully considered to reduce environmental impact and some units may have an air recycling system such as the "Reco-air" solution that will clean the air without needing external ducts. Retail and F & B businesses will be encouraged to work with local suppliers to reduce food miles and introduce compostable/biodegradable plates and cutlery. The building will have a new electrical power supply and substation and be completely rewired with new lighting and power. This will significantly improve the efficiency of the electrical load. Burning gas into the site sustainably would be unsuitable for safety issues. Proposals focus first on insulating the building and then heating the upper floors sustainably. A series of integrated heating, lighting, and, in some cases, cooling units will be suspended or contained within the bulkhead walls. These self-contained units will not interfere with the building fabric like other solutions. Solar panel arrays will be placed on the building's south and west-facing roofs. This will reduce the electrical load and, at times, be fed back into the grid. The arrays will be guaranteed to provide 80- 90% of their maximum output power for 25 years. The scheme's design has evolved to minimise the waste taken from the site to convert the upper floors. The scheme will retain all walls possible and will maintain/repair the existing wallpapers and finishes, thereby recalling the history of the building to the office occupants. BCP's sustainability policy will be implemented to reduce waste and promote recycling by incorporating sustainable waste management practices in the Royal Arcade's operations, such as recycling programmes for tenants and customers. Business owners will be encouraged to reduce single-use plastics, reduce water consumption and minimise waste. The building is a town centre site, and there will be no parking. The Better Boscombe Beach Bus project and travel campaign will encourage users and visitors to use public transport and active travel options such as cycling and walking, helping to reduce carbon emissions and traffic congestion. There will be a good provision of cycle racks on the east and west sides of the building (in a protected area). Due to its town centre location, few practical ecological improvements can be made. There are no trees on site and no resident bats and birds. However, a planned internal gardening project will enable the incorporation of green indoor spaces to improve air quality and provide access to nature in the local community.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

Mitigation and monitoring to reduce negative impacts as described above. Throughout the development of the project, the Programme Management Team have reported directly to the Bournemouth Towns Fund Delivery Board and Strategic Board on a monthly basis. These boards are comprised of a wider range of stakeholders, including senior BCP officers, members of the public as well as members of the private and voluntary sectors. The Delivery Board provides operational oversight of the project, and has responsibility for monitoring project progress, budget spend, delivery of outputs and outcomes. The Royal Arcade Working Group provided input into the design of the scheme through regular meetings and consists of Officers from BCP Council's Estates and Facilities Management teams, the Senior Responsible

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Officer and community stakeholders, as well as members of the Bournemouth Towns Fund Delivery Board and Strategic Board. The project team will follow the Monitoring & Evaluation timetable prescribed by DLUHC and the Towns Fund. Progress on the deliverables (outputs) and benefits (outcomes) from the project will be reported to the Delivery Board on a 6 monthly basis. The risk management processes (including a live risk register) will help to identify any deviation from outputs and outcome measures and address performance issues. The council borrowing required to match fund the project was approved in January 2023 and the full green book business case for Towns funding was approved by DLUHC in March 2023. The works and related procurement process will now be overseen by Works Project Manager, Adriana Correa with the anticipated completion of works being in the summer of 2027 or earlier if acquisition by private agreement can be reached. As part of the preparation and submission of a Round 1 match funding application for £4m from Heritage Enterprise for "the Royal Arcade: work and leisure destination in historic Boscombe", numerous stakeholders and potential delivery partners were consulted on the project to inform the draft Heritage Enterprise Activity Engagement Plan. This involved a series of interviews followed by the provision of numerous letters of support being submitted. More specifically, in relation to planned activities for when the development is complete, consultation has included interviews with local gatekeepers and stakeholders, Focus groups, Telephone and email interview. The Council has also undertaken consultation with organisations and community stakeholders in the following areas: Health and wellbeing, community arts and heritage, Schools, colleges, and universities and Business enterprise. All engagement has been underpinned by the extensive consultation delivered through the BCP **Council Cultural Enquiry and the Cultural Action Group**



Communities & Culture

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the development of safe, vibrant, inclusive and engaged communities? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- Will it help maintain and expand vibrant voluntary and community organisations?
 Yes
- 2) Will it promote a safe community environment? Yes
- 3) Will it promote and develop cultural activities? Yes

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the development of safe, vibrant, inclusive and engaged communities be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



Reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

The project that the CPO will facilitate will create a vibrant retail, learning and entertainment hub for the local and wider community to enjoy, supporting the overall regenerative uplift of Boscombe, which will be seen as a town that supports local people to grow and thrive. It will deliver the provision of a more welcoming, accessible, interactive, safe local environment, with natural surveillance, ambient lighting and provision of public toilets and lifts allowing people to dwell and meet others and engage in mindful, social, or learning activities that will help contribute to mental and physical health and wellbeing. Clear and inclusive signage and the careful and appropriate use of lighting will be addressed, as well as the installation of lifts to meet safety and accessibility needs. The capital works scheme will be underpinned by an Action Plan that will support and enable local people and visitors to engage with the building's heritage stories through in-house activities and events, outreach programmes, volunteering, and interpretation. The rationale for activities is underpinned by local and national strategies that aim to create a town that will enable its local people to grow and thrive. This will help improve participation in social, leisure, and cultural activities by supporting a valued and accessible place for people to get together, improving community cohesion. A targeted activity programme, delivered in partnership with grassroots organisations, will help to deliver a united ambition to bring the best out of Boscombe and its community. A Dynamic Places programme of festivals delivered in partnership with Black Cherry Events will provide seasonal events and engagement work to help revitalise the Royal Arcade and grow a sense of community and pride in the local area. The Royal Arcade will be seen as a welcoming place where people come together through arts and culture, supported by

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a trained project volunteers. On-the-ground activities and targeted outreach will enable more people to participate at a neighbourhood level, improving everyday access to a more creative and culturally rich life. Local people will be supported to take on key volunteering roles to support the project's successful delivery. Roles will include, for example, stewarding events, historical research, oral history, evaluation support and learning support. The Young Arcade Ambassadors project will see young volunteers trained in the history of the Arcade, facilitating and customer care. This will provide a warm and inclusive welcome to visitors attending special events and activities. Repairing and restoring The Royal Arcade's Grade II listed building will enable a wider range of people to engage. Successful delivery of the five activity programmes will enable the council to reveal and share the heritage stories of Boscombe and The Royal Arcade. A planned oral history, archive research and community collecting project will enable the Council to reveal long-forgotten histories of the building and its people. There will be inclusive interpretation, including for people with health conditions or impairments. For example, digital displays can include audio or visual elements that cater to those with visual or hearing impairments. The proposed diversity in retail, F & B and business uses will increase the communities access to local services in the area they live, reducing issues around security and safety. Following completion of the development, a Communit Engagement Action Plan - Fulfilled Lives programme is planned in partnership with local gatekeeper organisations. For example, the Vita Nova Theatre group, working with young people recovering from drug and alcohol addiction, will offer creative activities designed to contribute to recovery. Staff and volunteer training improved physical access and new resources and interpretation will enable the Royal Arcade and its activities to be inclusive, diverse and accessible to all. Working in partnership with the local primary care network and other care providers, the project will support cultural and social prescribing activities through the Council's volunteer programmes, culture and art activities. This will enable the Council to help local people to live longer, healthier and more active lives. Finally, there will be opportunities for small businesses and creation of job opportunities through the proposed flexible office provision and opportunities for education and training through the co-location of a Council run digital skills, innovation and learning hub.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

N/A

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Waste & Resource Use

Is the proposal likely to have any impacts (positive or negative) on waste resource use or production and consumption? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will it prevent waste or promote the reduction, re-use, recycling or recovery of materials? **Partially**
- 2) Will it use sustainable production methods or reduce the need for resources? Partially
- 3) Will it manage the extraction and use of raw materials in ways that minimise depletion and cause no serious environmental damage? Partially
- 4) Will it help to reduce the amount of water abstracted and / or used? Partially

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the sustainable production and consumption of natural resources be rated?

Amber - Minor negative impacts identified / unknown impacts



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

Adapting and reusing the listed Royal Arcade rather than demolishing it delivers a range of environmental benefits by extending its useful life through a change in function, taking advantage of the remaining physical life embedded in its materials and systems. There will nevertheless be embodied carbon in the materials needed for the refurbishment, albeit this would need to be compared with the additional operational carbon saving for the building.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

The environmental strategy for the project is designed to make maximum improvements whilst minimising change and interventions to the listed building. Sustainable design and construction practices will be employed in the redevelopment work where possible. Environmentally friendly materials and techniques will be prioritised in the capital works, such as using sustainably sourced materials and reducing the building's carbon footprint. The scheme's design has evolved to minimise the waste taken from the site to convert the upper floors. The scheme will retain all walls possible and will maintain/repair the existing wallpapers and finishes, thereby recalling the history of the building to the office occupants. A Heritage Lottery Fund activity project will tell visitors how the Arcade is adapting to

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climate change and highlight the environmental measures used on the site. It will include key messaging in marketing material, promoting Boscombe as a sustainable tourist destination, attracting visitors interested in environmentally friendly initiatives and supporting sustainable businesses. The council will appoint an evaluation consultant to develop a monitoring and evaluation framework using a logic model for the project's Development and Delivery phases. This will ensure that the council effectively and efficiently measures its progress against key milestones and NHLF outcomes and, where necessary, adapts its activities and programming. During the Development Phase, an evaluation consultant will be appointed to undertake research (quantitative and qualitative) to produce a baseline set of data relevant to the draft outcomes in this plan, as well as an Evaluation Framework, which will be used to inform the evaluation of the Delivery phase, including a carbon footprint assessment. BCP's sustainability policy will be implemented to reduce waste and promote recycling by incorporating sustainable waste management practices in the Royal Arcade's operations, such as recycling programmes for tenants and customers. To manage environmental sustainability, a green lease provision will be included in the selected Arcade operator's lease, who will be responsible for producing an Environmental Management Plan and provide results to the Council. They will ensure that all units within the Arcade respond to BCP environmental policies. Business owners will be encouraged to reduce single-use plastics, reduce water consumption and minimise waste. Timescales, responsible officers and related business plan are as described in the Climate Change and Energy Section above.

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Economy

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the area's ability to support, maintain and grow a sustainable, diverse and thriving economy? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- Will the proposal encourage local business creation and / or growth?
 Yes
- 2) Will the proposal enable local jobs to be created or retained? Yes
- 3) Will the proposal promote sustainable business practices?
 Yes

=How would the overall impact of the proposal on it's potential to support and maintain a sustainable, diverse and thriving economy be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

The project has the potential to support a sustainable, diverse and thriving economy through the proposed flexible office provision providing opportunities for small businesses to locate and job creation as well as opportunities for education and training through the proposed co- location of a Council run digital skills, innovation and learning hub. This particularly addresses the needs of low income households, young unemployed 18 – 24-year-olds and the educationally disenfranchised. It will help to reduce social inequality and address poverty in the local area. An improved, quality offer in the restored Arcade will help promote tourism and attract more visitors, increasing footfall and spending in the local shops and businesses, supporting jobs and the local economy. This will help to improve job prospects for low-income households and help to address local poverty.

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Health & Wellbeing

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the creation of a inclusive and healthy social and physical environmental for all? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

1) Will the proposal contribute to improving the health and wellbeing of residents or staff?

Yes

- 2) Will the proposal contribute to reducing inequalities?
 Yes
- 3) Will the proposal contribute to a healthier and more sustainable physical environment for residents or staff?
 Yes

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the creation of a fair and healthy social and physical environmental for all be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

The Chief Medical Officer's Annual Report in 2021 showed that coastal communities have a higher disease burden across physical and mental health conditions and lower health outcomes, including life expectancy, healthy life expectancy and disability-free life expectance. A key theme is the link between high levels of deprivation and poor health outcomes. Poverty and deprivation also increase rates of depression, serious mental illness and suicide. Another key factor contributing to the disease burden in Boscombe is its high proportion of elderly residents. Developing activities, as part of the project, that positively contribute to local people's health and well-being is a priority. Project activities will support BCP Council's vision for making the area one of the places in which children can live, learn and grow up, with opportunities for school leavers to stay and thrive into adulthood. This means supporting the health, well-being and development of children from birth into adulthood. Through the co location of the digital skills and innovation lab, the project has the opportunity to offer a range of skills development and career awareness opportunities in partnership with local schools, colleges and Further Education providers. Additionally, the capital works will provide an opportunity for a range of heritage skills apprenticeships. The project seeks to restore and conserve the building while achieving various goals that will benefit the local community and economy. This includes creating a vibrant retail and entertainment hub that supports local businesses, promoting a

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sense of community and cultural identity, encouraging health and wellbeing, sharing the stories and history of the building, and establishing a digital skills and innovation learning hub. The careful curation of the retail units and food hall will benefit the health of residents of all ages by enabling the community to meet with others, engage in mindful, social, or learning activities which improve mental health, reduce isolation. Following completion of the development, a Fulfilled Lives Programme is planned in partnership with local gatekeeper organisations. For example, the Vita Nova Theatre group, working with young people recovering from drug and alcohol addiction, will offer creative activities designed to contribute to recovery. Staff and volunteer training improved physical access and new resources and interpretation will enable the Royal Arcade and its activities to be inclusive, diverse and accessible to all. Working in partnership with the local primary care network and other care providers, the project will support cultural and social prescribing activities through the Council's volunteer programmes, culture and art activities. This will enable the Council to help local people to live longer, healthier and more active lives. Sustainable partnerships will be established with local health and well-being organisations, which will continue to deliver wellness programmes. The Well (wellness café project) will support these activities, promoting social interaction, cognitive stimulation, and emotional well-being. The council's horticultural team will continue to support the Gardening Project, which boasts an established volunteer programme. The Royal Arcade project will continue positively contributing to the area's post-Covid-19 recovery plans. These focus on communities facing poverty and inequalities, which the pandemic has most adversely impacted. In particular, it will support small business development, provide access to skills development and provide health and well-being resources and activities.

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Learning & Skills

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on a culture of ongoing engagement and excellence in learning and skills? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- Will it provide and/or improve opportunities for formal learning?
 Yes
- 2) Will it provide and/or improve community learning and development? Yes
- 3) Will it provide and/or improve opportunities for apprenticeships and other skill based learning? Yes

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the encouragement of learning and skills be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



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The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

On completion of the development, the co-location of a Council run Digital Skills, Innovation and Learning Hub (DSILH) within the Royal Arcade will enable more accessible and place-based training in high-end digital technology to a wider community group that may have never been exposed to the opportunities of digital skills before. Providing digital skills advice, learning and exposure will enable people, who otherwise might miss out, to take advantage of digital technologies, particularly those in low-income households or those who are elderly. The DSILH will support those young people 18-24 who are not in employment by giving them a place to learn and upskill. The project will also reach out to the educationally disenfranchised, the vulnerable and those in recovery through the Community Action Network (CAN) Boscombe network and by being in a central location. Through emerging digital technologies, the DSILH will provide an excellent opportunity for improving skills in the community, in all age groups and backgrounds through the digital ecosystem of businesses and skills providers, in the Royal Arcade. The project team and volunteers will learn new skills through project activity and a tailored training programme. This will include, for example, access and inclusion, learning and engagement, historical research, and oral history, supporting vulnerable people and safeguarding. The Council will work closely with local schools and learning centres to develop resources and activities to support the delivery of place-based curriculum learning. This will enable local and visiting schools to understand better and share key themes and messages. The above initiatives will reduce social inequality and help to address poverty.

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Natural Environment

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the protection or enhancement of local biodiversity or the access to and quality of natural environments?

Don't Know

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will it help protect and improve biodiversity i.e. habitats or species (including designated and non-designated)? **No**
- 2) Will it improve access to and connectivity of local green spaces whilst protecting and enhancing them? **Partially**
- 3) Will it help protect and enhance the landscape quality and character? **Partially**
- 4) Will it help to protect and enhance the quality of the area's air, water and land? **Partially**

How would the overall impact of your proposal on the protection and enhancement of natural environments be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

Due to the Royal Arcade's town centre location, few practical ecological improvements can be made. There are no trees on site and no resident bats and birds. However, the planned gardening project will enable the incorporation of green indoor spaces to improve air quality and provide access to nature in the local community.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

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lease provision will be included in the selected Arcade operator's lease, who will be responsible for producing an Environmental Management Plan and provide results to the Council. They will ensure that all units within the Arcade respond to BCP environmental policies. Sustainable design and construction practices will be employed in the redevelopment work where possible. Environmentally friendly materials and techniques will be prioritised in the capital works, such as using sustainably sourced materials and reducing the building's carbon footprint. The upper floors will benefit from the installation insulation and secondary glazing. A Heritage Lottery Fund activity project will tell visitors how the Arcade is adapting to climate change and highlight the environmental measures used on the site. We will include key messaging in our marketing material, promoting Boscombe as a sustainable tourist destination, attracting visitors interested in environmentally friendly initiatives and supporting sustainable businesses. In relation to the food hall, extraction for cooking will be carefully considered to reduce environmental impact and some units may have an air recycling system such as the "Reco-air" solution that will clean the air without needing external ducts. Retail and F & B businesses will be encouraged to work with local suppliers to reduce food miles and introduce compostable/biodegradable plates and cutlery. The building will have a new electrical power supply and substation and be completely rewired with new lighting and power. This will significantly improve the efficiency of the electrical load. Burning gas into the site sustainably would be unsuitable for safety issues. Proposals focus first on insulating the building and then heating the upper floors sustainably. A series of integrated heating, lighting, and, in some cases, cooling units will be suspended or contained within the bulkhead walls. These self-contained units will not interfere with the building fabric like other solutions. Solar panel arrays will be placed on the building's south and west-facing roofs. This will reduce the electrical load and, at times, be fed back into the grid. The arrays will be guaranteed to provide 80-90% of their maximum output power for 25 years. The scheme's design has evolved to minimise the waste taken from the site to convert the upper floors. The scheme will retain all walls possible and will maintain/repair the existing wallpapers and finishes, thereby recalling the history of the building to the office occupants. BCP's sustainability policy will be implemented to reduce waste and promote recycling by incorporating sustainable waste management practices in the Royal Arcade's operations, such as recycling programmes for tenants and customers. Business owners will be encouraged to reduce single-use plastics, reduce water consumption and minimise waste. The building is a town centre site, and there will be no parking. The Better Boscombe Beach Bus project and travel campaign will encourage users and visitors to use public transport and active travel options such as cycling and walking, helping to reduce carbon emissions and traffic congestion. There will be a good provision of cycle racks on the east and west sides of the building (in a protected area). The indoor gardening and well-being project will use the original Victorian planting scheme as inspiration for workshops, talks and outreach activity. Up to 6 planters will be installed and planted and showcased in the Royal Arcade Key activities will include: - Talks / workshops on Victorian plants, greenhouses and gardeners - Practical workshops to plant planters for the refurbed Arcade - Outreach workshops for people not able to physically get to on site workshops e.g. care homes - Volunteer gardeners to look after the planters - Interpretation and exhibition launch

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Sustainable Procurement

Does your proposal involve the procurement of goods, services or works? Yes

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

Has or is it intended that the Strategic Procurement team be consulted? **Yes – already underway**

If the Strategic Procurement team was not consulted, then the explanation for this is:

- 1) Do the Government Buying Standards (GBS) apply to goods and/or services that are planned to be bought?
 - Yes
- 2) Has sustainable resource use (e.g. energy & water consumption, waste streams, minerals use) been considered for whole life-cycle of the product/service/work? Yes
- 3) Has the issue of carbon reduction (e.g. energy sources, transport issues) and adaptation (e.g. resilience against extreme weather events) been considered in the supply chain? Yes
- 4) Is the product/service fairly traded i.e. ensures good working conditions, social benefits e.g. Fairtrade or similar standards? Yes
- 5) Has the lotting strategy been optimised to improve prospects for local suppliers and SMEs?
 Yes
- 6) If aspects of the requirement are unsustainable then is continued improvement factored into your contract with KPIs, and will this be monitored? Not Relevant

How is the overall impact of your proposal on procurement which supports sustainable resource use, environmental protection and progressive labour standards been rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

The Council will openly advertise procurements for the Most Economically Advantageous Tender (MEAT) which best meets the Council's requirements, via its

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web-based electronic supplier and contract management system, Pro Contract (www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk). An evaluation will be undertaken based on a ratio of 40% cost and 60% quality, to ensure the selected consultants can deliver on design quality, social value, sustainability, and innovation, as well as price. Government Buying Standards (GBS) will apply to the refurbishment to minimise the carbon impact of materials, waste and so on. The Lead Consultant will be a wellmanaged multi-disciplinary team led by either a qualified Architect (RIBA) and/or a Building Surveyor (RICS) who will appoint and manage the team including but not limited to Architect, Mechanical and Electrical Consultant, Structural Engineer, **Acoustic Consultant,** Principal Designer, Building Surveyor, Quantity Surveyor, Conservation Specialist. Embedded in this chain will be an Fire Consultant and expectation for the Lead Consultant and its appointed team to demonstrate that they will achieve value for money; meet stakeholder expectations; demonstrate leadership on sustainability; reduce risks from environmental and social impacts associated with the goods and services provided; identify areas for continuous improvement; create a stronger supplier market; encourage innovation; meet the Council's expectations for existing and potential suppliers to understand and manage the environmental and social risks associated with the goods they are supplying, including raw materials used and the manufacturing process; demonstrate that their approach to sustainability and the wider environment, particularly how they, as a partner to the authority, will assist in delivering the published aims - BCP Response to Climate and **Ecological Emergency.**

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Transport & Accessibility

Is the proposal likely to have any impacts (positive or negative) on the provision of sustainable, accessible, affordable and safe transport services - improving links to jobs, schools, health and other services? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- Will it support and encourage the provision of sustainable and accessible modes of transport (including walking, cycling, bus, trains and low emission vehicles)?
 Yes
- 2) Will it reduce the distances needed to travel to access work, leisure and other services? **Yes**
- 3) Will it encourage affordable and safe transport options?
 Yes

How would the overall impact of your proposal on the provision of sustainable, accessible, affordable and safe transport services be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified



The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

The building is a town centre site, and there will be no parking. The Better Boscombe Beach Bus project and travel campaign will encourage public transport and active travel options such as cycling and walking, helping to reduce carbon emissions and traffic congestion. There will be a good provision of cycle racks on the east and west sides of the building (in a protected area).