

## Impact Assessment - First Stage

### 1. Details of the initiative

Initiative description and summary: Ash Dieback – environmental and financial impact
Service Area: Streetcare Services
Directorate: Environment

### 2. Does the initiative affect:

	Yes	No
Service users	✓	
Staff	✓	
Wider community	✓	
Internal administrative process only		✓

### 3. Does the initiative impact on people because of their:

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible	Don't Know	Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence)/How might it impact?
Age		✓				
Disability		✓				
Gender Reassignment		✓				
Marriage/Civil Partnership		✓				
Pregnancy/Maternity		✓				
Race		✓				
Religion/Belief		✓				
Sex		✓				

Sexual orientation		✓				
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4. Does the initiative impact on:

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible	Don't know	Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence used) / How might it impact?
People's opportunities to use the Welsh language		✓				
Treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English		✓				

5. Does the initiative impact on biodiversity:

	Yes	No	None/ Negligible	Don't know	Impact H/M/L	Reasons for your decision (including evidence) / How might it impact?
To maintain and enhance biodiversity	✓					Ash trees that are felled due to infection will be replaced with native stock.
To promote the resilience of ecosystems, i.e. supporting protection of the wider environment, such as air quality, flood alleviation, etc.	✓					Ash trees that are felled due to infection will be replaced with native stock.

6. Does the initiative embrace the sustainable development principle (5 ways of working):

	Yes	No	Details
<b>Long term</b> - how the initiative supports the long term well-being of people	✓		Ash trees affected by the disease will be identified and works prioritised to remove these before they become a danger.
<b>Integration</b> - how the initiative impacts upon our wellbeing objectives	✓		Felled trees will be replaced to ensure that they continue to provide improved air quality.
<b>Involvement</b> - how people have been involved in developing the initiative	✓		There has been no requirement to involve others in developing the initiative, the proposal does though include measure to involve the public and land owners in identifying possible diseased trees.
<b>Collaboration</b> - how we have worked with other services/organisations to find shared sustainable solutions	✓		There are options being considered to join up with other local authorities to identify possible financial assistance.
<b>Prevention</b> - how the initiative will prevent problems occurring or getting worse	✓		It is not possible to prevent the spread of this disease, this initiative will aim to prevent the effects of the disease becoming uncontrollable.

**7. Declaration - based on above assessment (tick as appropriate):**


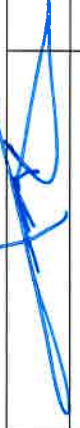
A full impact assessment (second stage) **is not** required

Reasons for this conclusion

The implementation of the recommendations supports and embraces this assessment process.

A full impact assessment (second stage) **is** required

Reasons for this conclusion

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