

# Guidance on Health Impact Assessment

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## Planning

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## **Guidance on Health Impact Assessment (HIA)**

All major developments in Richmond will need to submit an HIA. The level of detailed required will be dependent on the scale of the development and/or type of development. An HIA should not only identify potential harms to be mitigated such as impact on healthcare provision, air pollution, construction etc., but also identify and support positive aspects of the development such as active design, adaptability of homes, play space for instance as well as whether the development exceeds London Plan requirements. Applicants should make use and draw on other submitted documentation such as their Environmental Impact Assessment, Design and Access Statement, Transport Statement, community engagement response etc., to present a coherent assessment.

London Healthy Urban Development Unit ([HUDU](#)) provides bespoke advice and support on assessing the health and wellbeing impacts of development. HUDU has also published the following documents to assist the process:

- [Rapid Health Impact Assessment Tool](#) - Designed to assess the likely health impacts of development plans and proposals
- [Healthy Urban Planning Checklist](#) - Aims to promote healthy urban planning by ensuring that the health and wellbeing implications of location plans and major planning applications are consistency taken into account.