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## **IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS**

Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives:	<ul> <li>People – Fair and accessible services for those that use them and opportunities for everyone to contribute</li> <li>This priority focuses on delivering strong services and seeking to enhance the quality of life, health and wellbeing, particularly for those who are vulnerable.</li> <li>Place – Safe and Clean</li> <li>This priority focuses on sustainability, the built environment and ensuring our towns and villages are safe and clean.</li> <li>Prosperity – Improving the economic and social opportunities available to our communities</li> <li>This priority focuses on safeguarding and enhancing our unique mix of rural and urban communities, promoting sustainable, economic opportunities and delivering cost effective services.</li> </ul>
Consultation:	None.
Legal:	It is a requirement of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 to publish the examiner's report and decision statement.
Financial:	The Independent Examination cost £4,500 and will be funded from Government grant. The costs of the referendum (estimated to be up to £10,000) will be funded from Government grant.
Human Resource:	Internal staff resource will be necessary to organise and run the Neighbourhood Plan Referendum.
Risk Management:	If the Neighbourhood Plan does not proceed to Referendum EHDC may be at risk of judicial review.
Health and wellbeing – issues and impacts:	The Neighbourhood Plan contains policies that support positive and inclusive design that aim to enhance quality of life in Bishop's Stortford.