

ESSENTIAL REFERENCE PAPER 'A'

IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS

Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives	Priority 1 – Improve the health and wellbeing of our communities Priority 2 – Enhance the quality of people's lives Priority 3 – Enable a flourishing local economy
Consultation:	The Buntingford Community Area Neighbourhood Plan has undergone significant public consultation.
Legal:	It is a requirement of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 to publish the examiner's report and issue a decision statement.
Financial:	The Independent Examination cost £6,792.50. The costs of the Referendum will be funded from Government grant.
Human Resource:	Internal staff resource will be necessary to organise and run the Neighbourhood Plan Referendum.
Risk Management:	The Council may be at risk of judicial review if the Neighbourhood Plan does not proceed to Referendum.
Health and wellbeing – issues and impacts:	The link between planning and health has long been established. The built and natural environments are major determinants of health and wellbeing. The Neighbourhood Plan contains policies that support sustainable development, thus improving health and wellbeing opportunities.