

ESSENTIAL REFERENCE PAPER 'A'

IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS

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| Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives (<i>delete as appropriate</i>): | 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: | <i>None</i> |
| Legal: | <i>N/A</i> |
| Financial: | <i>The Council's budget for the grounds maintenance contract is limited and must be considered carefully as part of any redesign of the specification.</i> |
| Human Resource: | <i>None</i> |
| Risk Management: | <i>The contract provides a high profile service to the public which can result in a high level of complaint if not delivered effectively. Comparisons of contract performance are considered by customers across district borders. The level of quality standards therefore need to be considered in this context.</i> |
| Health and wellbeing – issues and impacts: | <i>An effective grounds maintenance contract contributes directly to the delivery of high quality parks and open spaces which provide opportunity for health and well-being initiatives and activities.</i> |