

ESSENTIAL REFERENCE PAPER 'A'

IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS

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:	The report relates to a neighbourhood plan which is currently undergoing its first of two rounds of statutory public consultation.
Legal:	N/A
Financial:	N/A
Human Resource:	N/A
Risk Management:	If the Council does not respond to the consultation then its views will not be taken into account in the Much Hadham Neighbourhood Plan consultation.
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 is seeking to ensure the most sustainable outcomes for its residents, thus improving health and wellbeing opportunities.
Equality, diversity and human rights considerations, and whether Equality Impact	No

Assessment required:	
Environmental Sustainability	The Council will undertake an SEA Screening Statement on the Bengo Neighbourhood Plan under the requirements of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 prior to the submission of the Regulation 15 draft.