

## ESSENTIAL REFERENCE PAPER 'A'

### IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS

Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives:	<p>Priority 1 – Improve the health and wellbeing of our communities</p> <p>Priority 2 – Enhance the quality of people's lives</p> <p>Priority 3 – Enable a flourishing local economy</p> <p>Effective use of grant giving contributes to the Council's ability to obtain some of the outcomes required in one or more of its corporate objectives.</p>
Consultation:	<p>The proposed policy on awarding discretionary grants has been reviewed by a group of Members on the 12<sup>th</sup> April and 24<sup>th</sup> May. The new Community Wellbeing Forum has also been consulted.</p>
Legal:	<p>The Council must comply with equality and human rights legislation. An equalities assessment outlining officers' consideration of how the proposed revised policy may impact residents with the various protected characteristics has been carried out and is appended to this report. The equalities analysis also makes clear the ways in which the policy and means of implementation have been amended as a result of the equalities assessment to mitigate any issues identified.</p>
Financial:	<p>Revenue and capital resources available for grant giving in 2017/18 have already been identified in the council's approved budgets. Approval of the revised policy will not incur any further revenue or capital liabilities for the council.</p> <p>It is noted that successful capital schemes may incur expenditure over more than one year. This does not pose any treasury management concerns.</p>
Human Resource:	<p>None at this time</p>
Risk Management:	<p>Grant-aided projects may not go ahead and the Council's money may require re-allocating or sliding into the next financial year.</p>

Health and wellbeing – issues and impacts:

The aim of the service is to administer the programme in a fair, consistent and transparent manner to maximise health and wellbeing outcomes for residents in East Herts and supporting those suffering from income deprivation. Funded projects have a direct or indirect impact on modifiable determinants of health, such as access to services, built environment, social support, lifestyle factors and others. Addressed throughout the report but specifically paragraph 2.8 and in ERP 'B.'