

## 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:	A wide range of consultation has been undertaken in preparing the Open Spaces and Sports Facilities Assessment. Consultees included National Governing Bodies, Sports Clubs and Partnerships, Town and Parish Councils and Sport England.
Legal:	There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.
Financial:	The Assessment makes a series of recommendations which may form part of future Council strategies for sports and leisure, but there are no direct financial implications from this report.
Human Resource:	There are no direct human resource implications arising from this report.
Risk Management:	This report forms part of the evidence base behind the East Herts District Plan. Without an adopted District Plan the district will be vulnerable to further unplanned development. This report will help ensure that appropriate sport and recreation facilities are delivered as part of development.
Health and wellbeing – issues and impacts:	The District Plan in general will have positive impacts on health and wellbeing through a range of policy approaches that seek to create sustainable communities. This report contains a full audit of open spaces and sports facilities and provides a series of recommendations to ensure future provision.