

## ESSENTIAL REFERENCE PAPER 'A'

### IMPLICATIONS/CONSULTATIONS

Contribution to the Council's Corporate Priorities/ Objectives (delete as appropriate):	Priority 1 – Improve the health and wellbeing of our communities  Priority 2 – Enhance the quality of people's lives
Consultation:	A review of homelessness in East Herts was presented to the Council's quarterly Housing Forum, Chaired by Cllr Goodeve, and attended by internal and external stakeholders. The draft Strategy is to be consulted on for 4 weeks once comments from Community Scrutiny are incorporated into the document.
Legal:	Under the Homelessness Act 2002, there is a legal duty on every local authority to publish a Homelessness Review and Strategy every 5 years. The current Homelessness Strategy runs from 2013 to 2018 .
Financial:	There are no direct financial implications resulting from this Strategy. Any financial implications from the Delivery Plan will be considered either during the council's normal medium term financial planning processes or will be funded from the Homelessness Prevention Grant funds provided by the Ministry for Housing, Community and Local Government.
Human Resource:	None
Risk Management:	The council has a legal duty to ensure it has a Homelessness Strategy in place.
Health and wellbeing – issues and	Homelessness and poor housing conditions have a negative impact on the health of those resident impacted.

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Equality Impact Assessment required:	Yes : This will be completed following the consultation exercise and attached to the report to the Executive on 12 February 2019 and Council on 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2019.