

Report to:	Cabinet	Date: 14 October 2026
Subject:	Live Well Implementation in the Borough	
Report of	Cabinet Member for Adult Care, Health and Public Service Reform	

Summary

- This paper follows the Cabinet paper of September 2025 approving the grant conditions and deployment of the GM Live Well funding to establish a Live Well centre in Whitefield as a ‘pilot’ of the Year 1 roll out of the GM Live Well Programme in Bury.
- This paper updates the Cabinet on the successful establishment of the Live Well Centre in Whitefield and wider investments in voluntary and community capacity in Whitefield and across the borough as our Year 1 programme.
- The paper proposes approval of the grant agreement with GMCA for year 2 and Year 3 live well funding and proposes areas of expenditure for both Bury Voluntary and Community Faith Alliance (“VCFA”) and Council as indicated.
- The paper provides a framework for the consideration of year 3 spend.

Recommendation(s)

Cabinet are recommended to

- 1) Note the good progress of Live Well year 1 funding to establish the Whitefield Live Well centre in Besses and note the VCFA utilisation of half of the grant award to support the Live Well centre and invest in community capacity in Whitefield and beyond.
- 2) To approve entering into a further grant agreement to secure the £676,000 from GMCA for Years 2 and 3 and the allocation of £338,000 to Bury VCFA in each year, subject to appropriate grant funding arrangements.
- 3) To note the priorities for VCFA investment in Year 2 and approve the proposals for spend for the Year 2 Council element of the grant funding.
- 4) To agree a framework for prioritisation of Live Well investment across the borough for year 3.

Reasons for recommendation(s)

- Approval of the recommendations secures £676,000 from the GM Live Well Fund for year 2 and year 3 and provides for investment in the Bury VCFA of half of that in each year - £338,000 – to continue the implementation of Live Well in the borough following the year 1 pilot in Whitefield. The GM Live Well programme does not require match funding and is completely aligned with the principles of the LETS Do It Strategy.

Alternative options considered and rejected

- The alternative option to obtaining the grant funding is to not receive it which is a missed opportunity to deliver a key aspect of the council Lets Do It strategy, with no benefit.
- It will be noted it is a condition of the grant that 50% of the funding received should be spent with the local voluntary and community sector. There is an alternative that would see the Council administer multiple grants to local voluntary and community sector colleagues rather than inviting the VCFA to lead that, but it would require additional administrative and management resource in the council to do that and VCFA have well established and mature grant management processes and knowledge of the voluntary and community sector in the borough. This alternative is therefore rejected.

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Background

GM Live Well Programme

1. Live Well is a GM Wide Programme funded by GMCA and NHS GM. Its focus is to create places and networks that provide co-ordinated support to resident to access the help and advice they need to live the lives they want with the aim of reducing social, health and economic inequality. A particular focus is on the creation of a network of Live Well centres and spaces across Greater Manchester, with the intent that every neighbourhood (for Bury 5 neighbourhoods as described in Let Do It) by 2030, supported by targeted investment in voluntary and community services to support residents.

GM Live Well in Bury

2. In 2025 the cabinet approved a paper describing the intent of the year 1 of Live Well funding in the borough. The cabinet paper approval secured receipt via a grant agreement with GMCA of year 1 implementation funding of £676k. In line with the condition of the funding, 50% (£338k) was paid over to the Bury VCFA to allow delivery of the proposals in this borough. Live Well year 1 has been jointly led by the Executive Director for Health and Care, and the Chief Executive of VCFA in accordance with the spirit of the programme
3. The Year 1 Live Well implementation funds were previously approved by Cabinet to be committed to refurbish 'The Ark' site in Besses in Whitefield and to establish this as our local exemplar Live Well pilot site. The site was to become a focal point for wider community and neighbourhood network in Whitefield building out of the strengths, and also gaps, in voluntary and public service provision in that place. Cabinet will recall "The Ark" was a disused and derelict former Pupil Referral Unit on Albert Drive. Cabinet will note that across the GM Live Well programme this was regarded as an ambitious initiative – being the only Live Well centre that is essentially new provision rather than existing building provision being re-branded.
4. The Council share of the funding received was used to fund the capital refurbishment works required at the site (£272.94k) and also to cover the costs of a dedicated project manager (employed by the Bury VCFA) to lead on delivery of this important scheme (£66.07k.)
5. Practical completion of the scheme was achieved on July 10th, 2026, with the formal opening of the centre by the Bury Mayor on 16th August 2026. The refurbishment of the building has been completed to a good standard, and follows extensive co-design and co-production with the local community and reflective of three elements of the building:
 - a. A welcome open space with access to a community cafe, community room and 1-1 meeting rooms.
 - b. A staff base for the children's Early Help team (working over 2 sites with the Ribble Drive Community Centre) and the Integrated Health and Care Team serving Whitefield (Community Nursing and Adult Social care)
 - c. The utilisation of the former school sports hall for community use.
6. The Community Café is now open and runs daily Monday to Friday 9.30-2.30. The Community café is operating by Persona (the Local Authority Trading Company providing a range of adult care services), building out of their experience of the well-regarded cafe in the park as part of the GM Ageing in Place initiative. We are also pleased that various community groups already utilising and running classes and activities from the centre, The two community navigators employed by VCFA

are also now in post and working at the site. The early help team commenced moving in on 11th August.

7. Even in this 'soft launch' phase feedback from community groups, neighbours, and staff has been very positive so far with community connections being made and cohorts of residents with vulnerabilities and in need of support being identified. A Facebook group has over 250 members, and multiple requests for space for community groups, public services, and partner organisations in Whitefield are being received.
8. Recognising the complexities of bringing the site up to the required level for safe occupation from its dilapidated state, an overspend against the capital budget allocated to the scheme was anticipated – in the main due to major works required to the kitchen fit out, electrical installation and building structures. Final outturn figures are still to be finalised but, are estimated to be circa £150k with the overspend being addressed as a first call against Year 2 Live Well allocation.
9. As indicated 50% of the Year 1 grant has been provided to VCFA in support of the programme. These funds have been committed by the Bury VCFA to support the appointment of two navigator roles within the centre and also to allow engagement and wider set-up costs of the new scheme. VCFA have also commenced several grant schemes supporting the voluntary and community capacity in Whitefield and particularly Besses, and across the borough. The slide below provides detail of the grants administered by VCFA

Grants and Investments		
Let's Make Whitefield Green - Eden Gardens Allotment Association - Whitefield Bowling Club - Whitefield Horticultural Society - Lancashire Wildlife Trust - Besses Together - Abington Close Funding Total Awarded- £10,064	Targeted Grants & Awards- Whitefield - Happy Me Community - Whitefield Methodist & Oasis Centre - St Andrews School Holiday Breakfast Club - Art in Whitefield - Shaheen Inspired women's network – Leadership Programme - Tina GTR – Leadership Programme Funding Total Awarded- £27,100	Let's Live Well & Cook Well - Let Your Light Shine - Growing Together Radcliffe - Creative Living Centre - Caritas red Door - Flowhession - Incredible Edible - RammyMen - BAAS – Befriending & Adult Autism Support Funding Total Awarded- £20,000
Let's Live Well & Support Unpaid Carers 9 submissions received - Panel due to meet 6th August 2026 Funding Total Available- £25,000	Whitefield Capitals Grants- Large 5 grants available up to £20K per application. Closing September 2026 Funding Total Available- £100,000	Whitefield Capitals Grants- Small 10 grants available up to £1K per application. Closing September 2026 Funding Total Available- £10,000

10. In addition, an early priority for the VCFA was to invest in additional summer activities for children and families in addition the support offered to the Bury Youth service. This has included



Whitefield Summer Club

Whitefield summer club created as a collaborative project with VCSE groups.

Structured to avoid overlapping on days, times and activity type to encourage collaboration and cross service promotion

• **Total Awarded £15,247**

Summer Club Activities

- Drumming with Drum Happy
- Nature and Craft sessions with Lancashire Wildlife Trust
- Cricket with Unsworth Cricket Club
- Puppetry and Storytelling with School of Curiosity
- Beginners Cycling Skills
- Muay Thai Boxing with Phoenix Outreach
- E-Sports gaming with BeeSports
- Drama with MaD Theatre

			
Activity	When & Age	Where	How to Book
Nature & Craft Sessions	Mondays 12.30-3.00pm 11-18yrs	Biz Park, Meel at the Basketball Court	Bookings: Philp Lees Number: 07587 551375 email: phil@303east.co.uk
Drama Sessions	Mondays 4.00pm-5.00pm 6-11yrs 5.00pm-6.00pm 12-18yrs (up to 25yrs with SEN)	Whitefield Live Well Centre, Albert Road, Whitefield, M45 8BH	Bookings: info@madtheatrecompany.co.uk number: 0778916215
Drumming Sessions	Tuesdays 10.00am-11.00am 4-11yrs 11.45am-1.00pm 12-18yrs (up to 25yrs with SEN)	Whitefield Live Well Centre, Albert Road, Whitefield, M45 8BH	Bookings: info@drumhappy.co.uk Enquiries: info@drumhappy.co.uk
Level 1 Cycle Skills	Wednesdays 10.00am-12.00pm 4-11yrs 1.00pm-3.00pm 12-18yrs	Unsworth Cricket Club, Pole Lane, BL9 8DL	Bookings: info@uccl.co.uk Enquiries: info@uccl.co.uk
The School of Curiosity	Thursdays 9.30am-11.00am 6-11yrs 11.00am-1.00pm 12-18yrs	Whitefield Live Well Centre, Albert Road, Whitefield, M45 8BH	Bookings: info@schoolofcuriosity.co.uk Enquiries: www.schoolofcuriosity.co.uk/contact
Muay Thai & Wallball Sessions	Fridays 12.30pm-1.30pm 5-18yrs	Phoenix Muay Thai Gym Unit 28, Albert New Mill, Albert Cross Trading Estate, Whitefield, M45 8BH	Bookings: info@phoenix.co.uk, 07585 Bookings: Phoenixoutreachcommunity@gmail.com Enquiries: 07573 697883
Cricket	Fridays 4.00pm-5.00pm Under 11 5.00pm-6.00pm 11-18yrs (up to 25yrs with SEN)	Unsworth Cricket Club, Pole Lane, BL9 8DL	Bookings: info@unsworth.co.uk/whitefield-summer Enquiries: Enquiry@unsworth.co.uk Number: 07582717912
E-Sports & Gaming with Bee Sports	Saturdays 10am-1pm 8-16yrs	Bee Sports Hub Unit 28, Albert New Mill, Albert Cross Trading Estate, Whitefield, M45 8BH	Bookings: info@beesports.co.uk Enquiries: info@beesports.co.uk
Breakfast Club	Monday-Friday 27th July to 28th August 10.00am-11.00am	St Andrews Church, Whitefield	Booking not required



- The work of the Live Well centre is co-ordinated by a Live Well Steering Group and reported to the Bury Public Service Reform Board and ultimately to the Bury Health and Well Being Board. It is also reported to the GM Live Well Board as part of the reporting against the grant agreement. The focus of the work, building on the solid foundation established, is to bring more services to the building, build community connections and navigation, and increasingly focus interventions to need. A particular focus will be on strengthened opportunity of the family hub, and on adult poverty through a focus on work and skills (including operating as a spoke of the Bury works neighbourhub opened in Millgate) and income maximisation/debt management.
- Cabinet approval was also previously approved with regard to a £100k recurrent commitment to the corporate landlord running costs of this scheme (noting this as one was example, first corporate landlord schemes.) and any other live centre provision as it develops. The scheme has been an early adopter of the new corporate landlord model and current estimations indicate that the committed recurrent funds of £100k will be sufficient to cover the ongoing running costs of the site. It will be noted that the upfront initial revenue support to allow the establishment of the community café is anticipated to put a level of pressure on this budget in the early years of centre operation. In year one, the proposal is to manage this financial pressure from part-year effect slippage alongside, promoting wider use and income generation from café operations. In later years, the income generation of the community café, alongside revenue from room letting, against costs incurred will be assessed on a regular basis to manage and act as appropriate, with the intent of securing financial sustainability for the centre. The £100k is reflected in the MTFs.

13. Learning from the Year 1 site has enabled clarity on the framework for Live Well investment across Bury for Years 2 and 3. Live Well in Bury is a core component of the borough's prevention and early intervention offer, aligning with:

- The Let's Do It Strategy, which emphasises neighbourhood working, inclusion, community empowerment and enterprise.
- The GM Live Well ambition, which focuses on prevention-first, integrated neighbourhood delivery, and strong VCSE-led support.

GM Year 2 Live Well Grant conditions

14. A grant agreement exists between Bury Council and GMCA for the funding received in year 1. Written confirmation has now been received from GMCA of the grant offer for Bury in Year 2 and in Year 3, each of £676,000, from the GM Live Well Fund. The Live Well Implementation Support Fund is provided to support the continued development and delivery of Live Well as a cornerstone of the Greater Manchester Strategy and its underpinning Delivery Plan, with a particular focus on reducing health, social and economic inequalities across Greater Manchester.

15. The Fund is intended to:

- a) Strengthen the local Live Well support infrastructure;
- b) Increase the visibility, recognition and accessibility of Live Well for residents;
- c) Support Local Authorities to embed optimised neighbourhood working through integrated teams, governance and planning;
- d) Sustain progress towards the GMS delivery plan objective that, by 2030, Live Well will be accessible from every neighbourhood.

16. The Grant may be used to support the development, enhancement and integration of Live Well centres, spaces and offers within the Local Authority area, where this contributes to the delivery of the GM Live Well ambition and agreed local priorities, including (but not limited to):

- a) The continued establishment of Live Well centres, spaces and community-based offers;
- b) Enhancing existing local settings or accelerating the integration of multiple access points into a joined-up Live Well offer;
- c) Developing or strengthening the Live Well offer in one or more of the agreed priority support themes: employment support, primary care, mental health, housing support, debt and financial advice and/or support for families/enhanced support where needed;
- d) Enabling the co-location of staff and the formation of cross-sector neighbourhood teams, across public services (including Health and Care) and the VCFSE sector;
- e) Supporting alignment between integrated neighbourhood working models and Live Well centres and/or spaces;

- f) Building on existing approaches to develop Live Well workers, connectors or navigators operating from and between Live Well centres and spaces;
- g) Supporting the resilience of the local VCFSE sector and an accelerated shift towards a preventative, strengths-based system; and
- h) Strengthening community-led design, research and decision-making as a core component of Live Well implementation, supporting meaningful community involvement in shaping local priorities, influencing services, and driving sustainable systems change.

Year 2 Live Well Implementation in Bury

17. In the context of the grant agreement requirements of the GM Live Well programme, and the learning from year 1, the following priorities for Year 2 Live Well funding are proposed:

18. 50% of funding received to be passported via grant agreement to the VCFA for the following purposes:

- a. To invest in community capacity, networking development, and volunteer support across all 5 neighbourhoods in the borough in accordance with the principles of the Live Well grant above.
- b. To maintain the investment in the navigator roles in Whitefield
- c. To work closely with the multiple investments in Radcliffe – including the Radcliffe hub, the Pride in Place funding, and NHS investment in the Radcliffe primary care centre to operate as a neighbourhood Live Well centre, to ensure more consistent presentation of the offers both public and voluntary sector provision to the people of Radcliffe.
- d. To undertake assessment of capacity and gaps in voluntary sector provision in Bury, Prestwich, and Ramsbottom to inform future commissioning intent
- e. Develop needs analysis for Bury East in particular focusing on emerging evidence of economic inactivity
- f. To draw on additional capacity in the VCFA from “Spaces of Hope” funding, to align the neighbourhood estates strategy, the local neighbourhood strategy, and the roll out of Live Well.
- g. To develop a framework for the identification and accreditation of Live Well hubs, centres and spaces, in accordance with the GM Live Well ‘hallmarks’ document, and to establish networks of support between them.

19. The remaining 50% of the Live Well funding to be held by the council and used as follows:

- a. The focal point for year 1 has been the ambitious vision of converting a derelict building into a vibrant Live Well centre at the heart of a managed network of community and voluntary capacity in the borough. The risk of the programme has been unknowable additional costs associated with the conversion of the building and as indicated in paragraph 8, this will be the

first call on the finalised costs for the Live Well centre conversion from the council allocation - £150k

- b. The funding of the Bury Live Well programme lead, hosted by VCFA - £68k
- c. 5k funding for each neighbourhood team (comprised of the integrated neighbourhood team in health and adult care, the public service leadership team, and the family first and families first team) to build connections and networks with key voluntary and public services stakeholders in a way that reflects the local priorities.
- d. Recognising that a core objective for the Live Well programme is to connect residents with information about public and voluntary services in their neighbourhood, explore opportunities to deploy new models of AI capability to equip front line practitioners and the public with more consistent and robust information. This follows a similar programme in childrens services with Beebot implementation. A provisional allocation of £50k is made subject to current dialogue with a number of providers.
- e. A budget for minor adaptations to Council premises to ensure compliance with the hallmarks document for the GM Live Well programme which provide estate standards for Live Well hubs, centres and spaces. - £25k

Year 2 Proposal		£k	GM priority (see criteria above)
Total Grant Allocation		676	
VCFA Allocation		(338)	Supporting the resilience of the local VCFSE sector and an accelerated shift towards a preventative, strengths-based system; and Enhancing existing local settings or accelerating the integration of multiple access points into a joined-up Live Well offer;
Total Council Available		338	
Live Well Programme Lead	(68)		(employed by VCFA)
Completion of Whitefield Live Centre	(150)		The continued establishment of Live Well centres, spaces and community-based offers;
Connection and Partnership Building Budget for multi-agency teams in 5 places	(25)		Supporting alignment between integrated neighbourhood working models and Live Well centres and/or spaces;
Test and implement AI/Digital tools supporting connectivity of residents to community capacity in neighbourhoods	(50)		Enhancing existing local settings or accelerating the integration of multiple access points into a joined-up Live Well offer;
Minor estate adaptations	(25k)		The continued establishment of Live Well centres, spaces and community-based offers;
Contingency	(20)		

Year 3 Investment and future years

20. Year 3 Live Well investment has been confirmed in writing by GMCA for Bury at the same level as year 2 and will be subject to the same Grant Agreement – £676,000 with 50% to be invested in voluntary and community capacity.
21. A further cabinet paper in 2027 will propose deployment of the year 3 funding. The funding proposals will reflect on further learning from Whitefield, from the presentation of the network of voluntary community and public service capacity in Radcliffe, from the needs analysis and community capacity benchmarking in Bury East, and the emergent integrated estates and Live Well networks across the borough.
22. Whitefield has served as the exemplar neighbourhood for Live Well in Bury and although still in its infancy, is starting to demonstrate how through strong integrated delivery, VCSE leadership and coordinated community assets we can produce measurable improvements in resident experience and early help outcomes.

Whitefield was chosen as our exemplar site for four key reasons:

- Limited local infrastructure — The area has a general lack of voluntary sector presence, neighbourhood facilities, and leisure provision, meaning residents have fewer everyday support options compared with other Bury neighbourhoods. This gap made it a priority location for capacity building and investment.
 - Higher levels of inequality — Whitefield experiences inequalities that directly affect life chances. GM Live Well funding is explicitly targeted at neighbourhoods where early help, prevention, and community-led support can have the biggest impact.
 - A unique opportunity: The Ark building — a disused council building was available and suitable for redevelopment. This provided a rare chance to create a flagship Live Well Centre quickly and cost-effectively, rather than starting from scratch.
 - Strategic alignment with GM Live Well requirements — The GMCA/NHS GM grant required each borough to deliver one exemplar Live Well Centre. Whitefield offered the clearest path to meeting this requirement by 2026.
23. However, we know that Whitefield is unique in its makeup, that other neighbourhoods in Bury differ significantly and that what has worked in Whitefield, may not work in other places. A 'one-size-fits-all' approach would fail because each neighbourhood's demographics, health profile, economic activity, and community assets create fundamentally different starting points, pressures, and opportunities. A one size fits all approach cannot respond to these variations in need, risk, and potential. It reinforces inequalities by giving equal investment to unequal need. It reduces impact, because interventions are not tailored to local conditions.

24. Live Well requires us to understand the specific circumstances of places

Different Demographics

- Neighbourhoods in Bury have distinct population structures, e.g., age, ethnicity, and household composition.
- Areas with younger families may need investment in childcare, early years, youth provision, safe play spaces.
- Areas with older populations require accessible transport, falls-prevention and social connection infrastructure.
- Neighbourhoods with higher ethnic diversity benefit from culturally competent services, language support, and community-led organisations.

Different Health Profiles

- Bury's neighbourhoods show stark variation in long-term conditions, mental health prevalence, disability, and healthy life expectancy.
- Bury East and Radcliffe have higher levels of deprivation-linked ill health with more affluent areas seeing better health outcomes.
- A uniform approach risks over-investing where need is lower and under-investing where inequalities are deepest.

Different Economic Activity

- Neighbourhoods vary in employment rates, skills levels, income, and local business ecosystems. Radcliffe and Bury East have higher unemployment and lower skills, requiring potential investment in employability and skills programmes. Prestwich and Ramsbottom have stronger local economies, where investment could e.g., focus on innovation, enterprise, and growth.

Different Community Assets & Infrastructure

- Neighbourhoods differ in the strength of their VCSE organisations, community centres, parks, transport links, digital connectivity, and social infrastructure.
- Some areas have rich community assets that can be leveraged for prevention and early intervention and creation of Live Well 'spaces and places'
- Others have a more fragile infrastructure with fewer community assets requiring investment to build the foundations for stronger community connectivity.
- Some neighbourhoods have seen significant strategic investment from other sources, e.g. Pride in Place, so a strategic investment approach is required to avoid duplication and maximise e.g. match funding opportunities.

Neighbourhood identity and lived experience matter

- People in each part of Bury have different histories, cultures, priorities, and expectations of public services.

- Investment must reflect local voice, local priorities, and local strengths.
- A universal approach minimises these differences and risks creating solutions that communities do not recognise or trust.

25. In order to respond proportionately to these variations in need, risk and potential across neighbourhoods, we will vary the emphasis placed on three core ingredients of the Live Well proposition:

- VCSE capacity building — strengthening the VCSE and faith sector.
- Partnership and network development in places — deepening collaboration between VCSE organisations and between VCSE and public services in neighbourhoods, enabling us to increasingly articulate a coherent, joined-up offer to residents.
- Physical and virtual Live Well assets — investing in the refurbishment, development and presentation of Live Well hubs and centres, and positioning them as a connected virtual network of trusted places.

26. This approach ensures resource and investment are targeted according to:

- Community insight and lived experience
- VCSE maturity and leadership capacity
- Neighbourhood profile analysis
- IMD and inequality indicators
- PSR cohorts of risk
- Quality and accessibility of physical community assets and infrastructure

The approach focuses on expansion from the Whitefield exemplar into Prestwich, Bury West and Radcliffe, Bury East and Bury North, with intervention, activity and investment directed to neighbourhood-specific gaps in service delivery capacity.

This approach will enable us to determine neighbourhoods (or pockets within neighbourhoods) with for example:

- High need and lower readiness which require intensive investment and foundational capacity building
- Moderate need and mixed readiness which require targeted investment to fill gaps and strengthen coordination
- Lower need with higher readiness which require consolidation, light-touch support and opportunities to act as exemplars.

Links with the Corporate Priorities:

This reflects all aspects of the Lets Do it strategy that signalled an intent for public services to work in partnership and in a strengths-based way with people and communities, the voluntary sector, and other key stakeholders, with the aim of reducing health, social and economic inequalities in GM.

It particularly speaks to Lets principles of local, together and strengths, and exemplifies a boldness of approach in Bury that is enterprising and recognised to be so by the GM Live Well programme.

Equality Impact and Considerations:

*Please provide an explanation of the outcome(s) of an initial or full EIA and make **specific reference regarding the protected characteristic of Looked After Children**. There must be a signed off EIA template appended with a full analysis or explanation as to why an analysis is not needed for the report to be put forward to Cabinet. Sign off to be completed by the Council's Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Manager (contact I.cawley@bury.gov.uk for advice).*

This paper substantially updates on Live Well year 1 implementation of Live Well in Whitefield which was subject to the EIA. We believe the EIA stands as underpinning the roll out of Live Well in year 2 and 3.

Environmental Impact and Considerations:

*Please provide an explanation of the Environmental impact of this decision. Please include the impact on both **Carbon emissions** (contact climate@bury.gov.uk for advice) and **Biodiversity** (contact S.Tinsley@bury.gov.uk and Dennis.whittle@bury.gov.uk for advice)*

- N/A
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Procurement Implications:

- No procurement implications
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Legal Implications:

The Council has power to accept and apply the proposed funding in support of its wellbeing, public health and community development functions. Appropriate grant funding arrangements will be required between the Council, GMCA and Bury VCFA to ensure that funding is applied in accordance with the objectives and conditions of the Live Well programme.

Legal Services will review of the proposed Year 2 and Year 3 grant agreement with GMCA. Should the legal review identify any material legal concerns or risks which would affect the proposals set out in this report, the matter will be referred to Cabinet for further consideration.

Appropriate grant funding arrangements will also be required in respect of the onward allocation of funding to Bury VCFA.

Financial Implications:

The financial implications in terms of proposed utilisation of the GMCA grant are outlined in the report and there are no additional financial implications for the council.

Appendices:

Not applicable

Background papers:

Please list any background documents to this report and include a hyperlink where possible.

Not applicable

Please include a glossary of terms, abbreviations and acronyms used in this report.

Term	Meaning