

Strategic Risk Register

REPORT TO AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE



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PURPOSE

- 1. To report on the current Strategic Risk Register.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2. That the Committee considers the Strategic Risk Register and recommends it to the Executive

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3. The Audit and Standards Committee’s role is to monitor the Council’s risk management processes and to advise the Executive on this matter

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

- 4. The Strategic Risk Register presented at Appendix 1 has been updated in several ways.

Simplification

- 5. Previous registers have been based on a 6 by 6 risk assessment that is a range of 6 possible impacts assessments and 6 possible likelihoods. A revised risk management approach has reduced this to a 3 by 3 assessment with 3 possible risk impacts (High, Medium and Low and 3 possible likelihoods, (Virtually certain, Likely and Very unlikely). This is more aligned to the RAG (Red, Amber, Green) rankings of risks.

New Risk

- 6. A risk has been included in the register for Environmental impact. These risks are recorded in both the National and Regional Risk Registers. (see Background Papers). This risk has been added to assess the strategic impact and to record the actions which the Council plans to address this risk. This has been assessed and recorded in the register as risk 13.

Leaving the EU

- 7. A high level of uncertainty is currently being debated about the impact of leaving the European Union. The Council recorded in the register as potential triggers for risks. The Council has reviewed the advice that has been prepared by Central Government, for Local Government and the appropriate sector advice has been reviewed for its various

services. As such it is not appropriate to record this as a separate risk within the register, but rather to recognise its role as a potential additional trigger for risks.

8. These changes to a 3 by 3 approach have been supported by a revision to the risk management method with gives details of the impacts and likelihoods to enable this approach to be applied by officer.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND BUDGET PROVISION
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9. None.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

10. None.

DETIALS OF CONSULATION

11. None.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

12. National Risk Register - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-risk-register-of-civil-emergencies-2017-edition>
13. Lancashire Risk Register - <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/council/strategies-policies-plans/emergency-planning/risks-in-lancashire/>
14. Advice to Local Authorities - <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-government-brexit-preparedness>

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