

Subject:	Corporate Risk Report	Status:	For Publication
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Report of:	HR Manager	Portfolio Holder:	Resources
Key Decision:	<input type="checkbox"/> Forward Plan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	General Exception	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Urgency <input type="checkbox"/>
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Biodiversity Impact Assessment	Required:	No	Attached: N/A
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1.	RECOMMENDATION(S)
1.1	That the Audit and Accounts Committee note the Corporate Risk Register as detailed in the report.
1.2	That Members note the risk consequence, mitigation action and level of risk as detailed in the Appendix A.

2. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Audit and Accounts Committee of:
- Review of the Corporate Risk Register as attached (Appendix A).

3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES

- 3.1 The matters discussed in this report impact directly on the following corporate priorities:
- **Priority 1 – A clean and green Rossendale** - Our priority is to keep Rossendale clean and green for all of Rossendale’s residents and visitors, and to take available opportunities to recycle and use energy from renewable sources more efficiently.
 - **Priority 2 - A connected and successful Rossendale that welcomes sustainable growth** - Our priority is to ensure that we are well connected to our residents, key partners and stakeholders. We want to make the most of every pound we spend and we are always looking for new and innovative ways to make the resources we do have, work harder for us.
 - **Priority 3 - A proud, healthy and vibrant Rossendale** - Our priority is to ensure that we are creating and maintaining a healthy and vibrant place for people to live and visit. We celebrate the health, vitality and enterprise of the people who live in, do business in and visit Rossendale.

4. RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 All the issues raised and the recommendation(s) in this report involve risk considerations as set out below.

5. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 5.1 The Council details its approach to managing risk in its Risk Management Strategy (updated March 2016), which sets out the framework of monitoring and reporting of risks.
- 5.2 To support the Corporate Strategy (2017-2021) in 2017 the performance management process was reviewed and a reporting framework was developed to monitor the performance

of the corporate objectives; including performance reporting for service actions, corporate projects, compliments and complaints, key performance indicators and risks.

- 5.3 In line with the performance management process a new approach to project management framework was rolled out to officers with a comprehensive list of projects subsequently being produced in October 2017. To support the management of the corporate projects a monthly Programme Board was established to review and monitor the projects, using a R/A/G rating dashboard to report on project status, including risks.
- 5.4 In January 2019 Management Team completed a review of the Corporate Risk Register. The review highlighted the current risk register included a combination of corporate and departmental service risks. In accordance with the risk management process outlined in the Risk Management Strategy the following risks have been identified to be included in the Corporate Risk Register and the operational risks will be recorded and managed within the Service Area Business Plans:
1. Sustainability of the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS).
 2. Major disaster affecting the delivery of Council services.
 3. Incident resulting in death or serious injury or Health Safety Executive (HSE) investigation.
 4. Sustainability of the County Council budget.
 5. Non-delivery of Spinning Point.
 6. Non-delivery of the Borough's economic growth strategy.
 7. Non-delivery of the Local Plan.
 8. Changes to government policy on the delivery of the Council's services.
 9. Sustainable workforce.
 10. Insufficient Data and cyber security.
 11. Poor communications and Public Relations.

- 5.5 The revised Corporate Risk Register is attached as Appendix A.

The Risk Management Strategy and Corporate Risk Register will be reviewed annually together with the light refresh of the Corporate Strategy, and continue to be reported quarterly to the Overview and Scrutiny / Audit and Accounts Committees.

COMMENTS FROM STATUTORY OFFICERS:

6. SECTION 151 OFFICER

- 6.1 Any financial implications arising are noted in this report.

7. MONITORING OFFICER

- 7.1 There are no immediate legal considerations attached to the recommendations in this report.

8. POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND CONSULTATION CARRIED OUT

- 8.1 Effective Risk Management is very important to the Council, and the Council is committed to improving on an on-going basis how it manages and mitigates risk. A very important part of this process is robust and transparent scrutiny and taking timely, corrective action to improve risk management.

In completing this report, consultation has been undertaken with;

- Management Team
- Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources
- Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

9. CONCLUSION

9.1 The revised Corporate Risk Register will support the ongoing monitoring and mitigation of risk to the Council.

Background Papers	
Document	Place of Inspection
Corporate Risk Register	Appendix A
Risk Management Strategy updated March 2016	https://www.rossendale.gov.uk/downloads/download/10836/risk_management_strategy