

# **Report to the Finance and Performance Management Cabinet Committee**



**Epping Forest  
District Council**

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**Portfolio: Finance & Technology**

**Subject: Risk Management – Corporate Risk Register**

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## **Recommendations/Decisions Required:**

- 1. To note the updating of the Corporate Risk Register;**
- 2. To consider whether there are any new risks that are not on the current Corporate Risk Register;**

## **Executive Summary:**

The Corporate Risk Register has been considered by both the Risk Management Group on 3 December and the Corporate Governance Group on 18 December 2013. These reviews identified amendments to the Corporate Risk Register and an additional risk for inclusion.

## **Reasons for Proposed Decisions:**

It is essential that the Corporate Risk Register is regularly reviewed and kept up to date.

## **Other Options for Action:**

Members may suggest new risks for inclusion or changes to the scoring of existing risks.

## **Report:**

1. The Corporate Risk Register was reviewed by the Risk Management Group on 3 December and the Corporate Governance Group on 18 December. A number of amendments have been identified and incorporated into the register (Appendix 1).
2. Following feedback from users of the Corporate Risk Register the Risk and associated Action Plan are now presented together rather than in two sections.
3. Risk 1 Local Plan – The risk and supporting Action Plan has been redefined to provide a more comprehensive overview. The score remains A1 Very High Likelihood/Major Impact.
4. Risk 6 Information/Data – Work has been carried out to improve awareness of data protection requirements. It is therefore felt that the risk score should be changed from C1 Medium Likelihood/Major Impact to C2 Medium Likelihood/Moderate Impact.
5. Risk 9 Safeguarding – New Risk. The Risk Management Group and the Corporate Governance Group considered a new risk which highlights a number of areas where the Council must achieve a more widespread awareness of the responsibilities for safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. The detail of the risk can be seen within Appendix 1. Both groups agreed that the risk should be scored at B2 High Likelihood/Moderate Impact.

6. Members are now asked to consider the attached updated Corporate Risk Register and whether the risks listed are scored appropriately and whether there are any additional risks that should be included.

**Resource Implications:**

No additional resource requirements.

**Legal and Governance Implications:**

The Corporate Risk Register is an important part of the Council's overall governance arrangements and that is why this Committee considers it on a regular basis.

**Safer, Cleaner, Greener Implications:**

None.

**Consultation Undertaken:**

The Risk Management Group and the Corporate Governance Group have been involved in the process.

**Background Papers:**

None.

**Impact Assessments:**

Risk Management

If the Corporate Risk Register was not regularly reviewed and updated a risk that threatened the achievement of corporate objectives might either not be managed or be managed inappropriately.

Equality and Diversity:

Did the initial assessment of the proposals contained in this report for relevance to the Council's general equality duties, reveal any potentially adverse equality implications? No

Where equality implications were identified through the initial assessment process, has a formal Equality Impact Assessment been undertaken?

What equality implications were identified through the Equality Impact Assessment process?

N/A

How have the equality implications identified through the Equality Impact Assessment been addressed in this report in order to avoid discrimination against any particular group?

N/A