

## AUDIT COMMITTEE – 19th NOVEMBER 2019

### Report of the Head of Strategic Support

#### Part A

#### ITEM 9      RISK MANAGEMENT (RISK REGISTER) UPDATE

##### Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with an update on the Strategic Risk Register produced for the period to 2019/20.

##### Recommendation

The Committee notes the report.

##### Reason

To ensure the Committee is kept informed of progress against the strategic risks that should they crystallise would cause the Council to be unable to operate and/or provide key services leading to a significant adverse effect on public wellbeing.

##### Policy Justification and Previous Decisions

The Strategic Risk Register for the remainder of the 2018/19 financial year and for 2019/20 was approved by Cabinet on the 13th December 2018. Cabinet resolved that the Audit Committee monitor progress against those risks on the register by receiving and considering monitoring reports on a quarterly basis.

##### Implementation Timetable including Future Decisions

Reports will continue to be submitted to the Committee on a quarterly basis.

##### Report Implications

The following implications have been identified for this report.

##### *Financial Implications*

*None*

##### Risk Management

There are no specific risks associated with this decision.

Background Papers:      None

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## **Part B**

### Background

1. In accordance with the Committee's work programme the Committee receives monitoring reports in respect of the Council's risk management arrangements. The reports provide a detailed commentary against the risks included in the strategic risk register.

### The Strategic Risk Register

2. The Strategic Risk Register was produced following consultation with the Corporate Management Team, Cabinet members and Audit Committee members.
3. The current Strategic Risk Register is attached at Appendix A. Strategic risk SR3 has been updated to include the Council's participation in the Local Resilience Forum's planning for a 'no deal' disorderly Brexit. Although an extension has now been granted by the EU and the preparations have therefore been stood-down for the time being, the situation is being monitored and it is planned to re-start the arrangements if required.

### Appendices

Appendix A – Strategic Risk Register 2019/20 (as at August 2019)