

Corporate Risk Management Summary

Report of the Chief Fire Officer

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1 Executive Summary

This report updates Members on the status of risks on the Corporate Risk Register.

2 Recommendations

The Committee is asked to note the contents of the report.

3 Background

Following recent discussions with Members including the Chair of SAP, the format for reporting the corporate risk register has been amended.

It was felt that due to the nature of the entries on the register, it would be more beneficial for Members to receive updates on risks where the direction of travel has changed, new entries onto the register and risks where significant activity or activity of note is being undertaken.

All risks on the register will still continue to be updated by their respective risk owner on a regular basis and reported to Risk Management Group (RMG) and the Performance and Risk Group (PRG). In addition, an annual report containing all entries of the corporate risk register will continue to be reported to the Fire Authority at its annual general meeting.

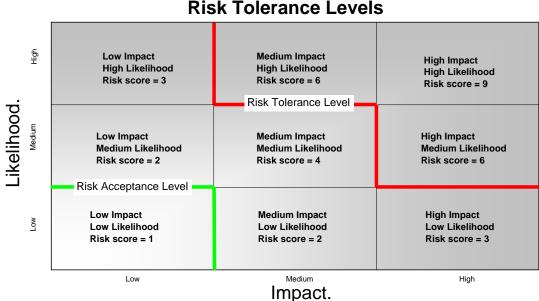
Appendix A is a summary of the highlighted risks on the corporate risk register with the latest update by the risk owner on their respective risk.

4 Risk Acceptance and Tolerance Levels

The purpose of risk management is not to eliminate all risk, but to reduce the risk to a level that the Authority is prepared to tolerate. This will vary depending on the Authority's current level of 'Risk Appetite' and is defined by the Authority setting its 'Risk Tolerance Level'. This level essentially acts as a target, with any risks higher than this level attracting appropriate effort and resources in an effort to reduce it to below this level. This target therefore acts as a management indicator, with greater levels of monitoring being required for those risks above the level, than for those below it.

In addition to the upper level, it is also appropriate to set a lower level target, called the 'Risk Acceptance Level'. Any risks assessed as being lower than this level should attract minimal effort and resources. This helps to ensure that resources are not wasted trying to reduce risks unnecessarily.

The Risk Management Brigade Order reflects the current risk Tolerance and Acceptance level and are shown in the table below.



Risk Acceptance and Risk Tolerance Levels

5 Risk Management Process

The table in Appendix A shows the open corporate risk register entries reported by exception. This has detailed information on each of the individual risk including: the risk title, the risk owner, a description of that risk, the counter measures that are either being applied, or Officers are working to apply, the level of risk without controls, with controls, an assessment of the current level of risk and direction of travel. There is also a narrative column to enable risk owners to comment on the information provided where relevant.

6 Current Position

One new risk has been added to the corporate risk register since the last SAP update which relates to the Government White Paper on Fire Reform. Further detail can be found at Appendix A.

Changes to the risk rating of a current risk on the register will be covered in Appendix B to the report which will be discussed in closed session.

7 Conclusions

The Committee is asked to note the contents of the report

8 Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising from this report

9 Legal Comment

There are no legal implications arising from this report.

10 Equality Impact Assessment

There are no equality or diversity implications arising from this report. An e-EQIA is not, therefore, required

11 Appendices

Appendix A Open Corporate Risk Register Entries Reported By Exception

Appendix B

Report 14 - Closed Corporate Risk Register Entries Reported By Exception

12 Background Papers

There are no background papers associated with this report.

Open Corporate Risk Register Entries Reported by Exception (OPEN SESSION)

Risk Title	Risk Category	Risk Owner	Date Raised	Controls or Counter Measures	Risk Rating (current assessmen t)	Direction of travel	Action History
Government White Paper on Fire Reform	Service Delivery	Rod Hammerton	02/08/2022	Maintain an active watch on the development of the white paper and continue to engage through NFCC and directly with Home Office. Continue to reform and improve existing support services to ensure the service is very clear of its needs and is resilient to change Maintain effective communications with all stakeholders including MPs, Rep Bodies, workforce and Constituent Authorities.	4	-	New risk

Key to Direction of Travel:

- \rightarrow shows that the general direction of the risk is unchanged.
- \uparrow shows that the general direction of the risk is increasing.