

Managing Risk - Corporate Risks



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Improvements around managing the reputational impact of the 'Staying Safe' rating being 'inadequate' in the JAR assessment have been noted in the Annual Performance Assessment letter. The challenge is now to ensure the Council secures the completion of the formal engagement with DfES on Children & Young People's outcomes and project and performance management.	CR1	4	3	High	Measures put in place to tackle the shortcomings against a planned and timed programme drawing in the assistance of better performing authorities as may be required. External risk management experts engaged to preliminary assess level of risk in plan. Favourable initial assessment of Action Plan - good steps have been made to improve the position. Institute of Public Care engaged to work with staff to build a performance management culture as part of JAR Action Plan together with support from Department of Health.	SF	4	3	High
Corporate spending pressures outweigh the level of resources available to meet them. Particular pressures prevalent in Adult Social Care.	CR2	4	4	High	Medium Term Financial Strategy now adopted by Cabinet and highlights the need for corporate capacity to be created to meet future spending pressures. Social Care overspend has been highlighted at Cabinet and at Scrutiny Cttee. Budget Plan adopted to minimise pressures and needs analysis identifying future patterns of service with costed options. This will be reported by the end of August.	ALL/SR	4	3	High
Herefordshire Connects: Programme does not go through robust investment appraisal and subsequent savings not being realised leading to service cuts.	CR3	4	4	High	Robust appraisals are carried out based on hard data, comparative and sensitivity analyses and deliverability. Strong corporate governance arrangements are in place. Change Manager appointed. Business Transformation Board created and the new governance arrangements approved. Procurement approach agreed. Benefits realisation framework to be developed. The MTFS highlights both the investment required for Herefordshire Connects and the expected savings both in the short and long term. A key risk will continue to be the timing and identification of savings flowing from the programme whilst minimising the risk of service cuts needing to be made to balance the budget.	NP	4	3	High
Failure to maintain CPA "3 star" rating and move from improving adequately to improving strongly	CR4	4	3	High	Capacity created at a senior level and adherence to the Overall improvement Plan agreed in March. Board to monitor progress set up under Director of Corporate & Customer Services. It requires effective implementation of the corporate planning and performance frameworks, including the full integration of financial planning. Use of Resources Improvement Plan being implemented included VIM self assessment in August. Considerable work has taken place in embedding a strong performance management framework including structured meetings between Chief Executive and Directors. Improvement manager posts have been approved for all Directorates and recruitment is well advanced with most posts to be filled by early 2007.	ALL/NP SR NP/JJ	3	3	Medium

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Business continuity management	CR5	3	4	High	Substantial capital investment made in ICT network and disaster recovery arrangements. Workshops held for all directorates and service continuity plans have been prepared and due for testing during the year in business critical systems and services. Monthly checks made to ensure amendments are made to all plans. Annual update of of Community Risk Register to inform the review process of Council emergency response plans in support of the emergency services and teh Council's arrangements to assist recovery and return to normality of teh community & environment following an emergency. Bi-annual exercising of eth Emergency Response Team. Annual exercising of emergency response plans.	ALL/NP	3	3	Medium
Continuity of Herefordshire Jarvis Services and successful partnering arrangements	CR6	4	3	High	Regular consultation held between senior management from both sides of the partnership.	GD	3	3	Medium
Corporate Capacity to deliver a range of changes the Council has embarked upon.	CR7	4	3	High	Programme Management, Clear Leadership and Senior Management Restructuring. Capacity issues identified within CPA inspection and will be part of Improvement Plan. A minimum of 20% of corporate directors' time will be spent on corporate issues.	NP	4	2	Medium
Achievement of LPSA 2 targets and hence the Performance Reward Grant (PRG). Failure to manage future PRG will have a significant and detrimental impact on the Council's ability to invest in future performance gains in services.	CR8	3	3	Medium	LPSA, Partnership Manager and the Head of Policy & Performance now met regularly with the assigned project manager and have agreed responsibilities for chasing progress and ensuring action. In addition performance indicators are received every 2 months, in line with the Council's performance management arrangements, enabling proactive management through this management group.	SF/GH/GD	3	3	Medium
Delivery of Local Area Agreement	CR9	3	2	Medium	LAA - Partnership team and Policy & Performance have agreed a joint approach to including the LAA review issues and LAA refresh mandatory indicators in the preparations for the Corporate Plan thus ensuring that there is only one process and no confusion about targets.	JJ	3	2	Medium
Recruitment and retention of staff where there are national skills shortages and including the impact of Job Evaluation. Ensuring consistent treatment of Equal Pay Claims	CR11	3	3	Medium	Succession planning as part of management development provision Utilise SRDs / implement career development posts and conclude job evaluation. 93% SRDs completed by the end of May. Further work being carried out on identifying gaps. HR to support Directorates deliver to identified training needs, to work to Investor in People standard. Focused recruitment activity to support identified shortages e.g. Social Work (Childrens), plus development of a workforce plan, and work to implement national data sets. Work to set and establishment for the Council has begun. Promote professional development support through training agreements and payment of professional fees. Develop secondment opportunities internally and with partners. . Improving leadership and management through a review of management development Pride in Herefordshire approach to be implemented.	ALL/DJ	2	2	Medium
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					Implement software to review new pay structure to ensure that it is equality proofed.				
Approach to Diversity: Risk of not achieving level and not improving Standard	CR12	3	2	Medium	Long term development plan produced. EIA action plans to be incorporated into Service Plans and monitored through the performance management process.	JJ	3	2	Medium
Successful implementation of Accommodation Strategy.	CR13	4	4	High	Issues concerning the acquisition of the property following a meeting with Scottish & Newcastle where Council were notified of a property review of all production sites. Initial moves within property to continue. An emerging risk is the move towards flexible working. Homework place assessments will need to be carried out for all staff formally working from home.	SR DJ/JH	3	2	Medium
Herefordshire Connects: Management capacity and capabilities not sufficiently developed to plan in advance, and deliver, the service changes required for realisation of efficiency savings.	CR14	4	4	High		NP	4	3	High
Development of a Public Services Trust for Herefordshire	CR15	3	2	Medium	External assistance for the first phase of development has been secured.	GH	3	2	Medium
Failure of Waste Management Contract leading to failure to meet diversion targets and the potential for the Authority to be paying £150 per tonne extra on our missed target tonnages. Failure of the contract would also lead to the loss of PFI credits	CR16	4	2	Medium	Ongoing commitment from Herefordshire and Worcestershire to retaining the existing contract. The incorporation of subcontractors into the existing contract as a variation should enable adequate waste to be diverted to ensure the authority does not become subject to penalties under the Landfill Allowance Trading Scheme (LATS). Herefordshire and Worcestershire have an agreement to Trade LATS between the two authorities at "no cost" to offset risks - this risk needs to be formalised.	GD	4	1	Low
Use of Resources Judgement	CR17	4	2	Medium	Managers have been allocated elements of the Key Lines of Enquiry so that all required actions have been completed. The Audit Commission's inspection has been completed. Any action plan produced by the audit commission will be given priority.	SR	3	2	Medium
BFI Inspection	CR18	2	2	Low	BFI report on interventions has made a number of recommendations and an action plan has been drawn up to deal with these. Monthly monitoring is in place by the Head of Service to ensure we deliver this plan which will enable us to meet both the performance measures and enablers aspects of the the benefit performance standards.	SR	2	2	Low

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Position: _____

Date: _____