



Report to: Cabinet Meeting: 20 January 2026

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Report Summary	
Type of Report	Open Report / Non-Key Decision
Report Title	Corporate Risk Management Strategy and Policy Review
Purpose of Report	To present the reviewed Corporate Risk Management Strategy and Policy for approval
Recommendations	That Cabinet review and approve the updated Corporate Risk Management Strategy and Policy as attached at Appendix A to the report
Alternative Options Considered	If deemed unsuitable, Cabinet should provide feedback and not approve the revised policy
Reason for Recommendations	To ensure the Council has a current policy, therefore ensuring the continued management of risk within the Council in accordance with its policies

1.0 Background

- 1.1 The Risk Management function is the process of identification and management of significant risks faced by the Council, which have the potential to prevent it from achieving its key/agreed objectives. Proactively identifying potentially significant risks and implementing suitable control strategies, helps to prevent these risks from being realised. If this is not possible, to mitigate the risk to a tolerable level.
- 1.2 The purpose of the Corporate Risk Management Strategy and Policy is to ensure suitable systems are in place to manage significant risks.
- 1.3 The council's Corporate Risk Management Strategy and Policy is required to be reviewed periodically. This review has been undertaken in accordance with this requirement.
- 1.4 A copy of the revised policy is attached as **Appendix A** to the report. All significant amendments are highlighted in red text.

- 1.5 Although there are a number of alterations within this revision, they are generally housekeeping matters and mainly capture changes in roles/responsibilities and titles.
- 1.6 SLT have recently reviewed the attached draft policy and agreed all highlighted revisions.
- 1.7 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the Audit & Accounts Committee, prior to consideration by Cabinet, have also recently reviewed this policy. No comments were provided.

2.0 Proposal/Options Considered

- 2.1 It is proposed that Members review the revised policy in Appendix A and approve in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

3.0 Implications

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendations, officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection; Digital & Cyber Security; Equality & Diversity; Financial; Human Resources; Human Rights; Legal; Safeguarding & Sustainability and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

Implications Considered			
Yes – relevant and included / NA – not applicable			
Financial	n/a	Equality & Diversity	n/a
Human Resources	n/a	Human Rights	n/a
Legal	yes	Data Protection	n/a
Digital & Cyber Security	n/a	Safeguarding	n/a
Sustainability	n/a	Crime & Disorder	n/a
LGR	n/a	Tenant Consultation	n/a

Legal Implications - LEG2526/7586

- 3.1 Responsibility for approving the Risk Management Strategy and Policy sits with Cabinet. The amendments have been reviewed by Senior Leadership Team and the Audit & Accounts Committee in line with constitutional requirements.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None