ANGUS COUNCIL

SCRUTINY AND AUDIT COMMITTEE - 25 AUGUST 2015

CORPORATE RISK REGISTER UPDATE

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ABSTRACT

This report presents the quarterly Corporate Risk Register update for review and challenge.

1. RECOMMENDATION(S)

It is recommended that the Committee review and scrutinise the contents of the update report.

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN/SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT/COPORATE PLAN

This report supports the council and services in the delivery of all local outcomes contained within the Angus Community Plan and Single Outcome Agreement 2013-2016.

3. BACKGROUND

Reference is made to Item 5 of the minute of meeting of this Committee on 25 November 2014 where it was agreed that, in accordance with the Risk Management Strategy, the Council Management Team will review the Corporate Risk Register (CRR) quarterly and consequently update this committee on progress made against identified actions.

4. CURRENT POSITION

The Council's performance management system, Covalent, automatically sends out reminders to all risk and action owners prompting an update for these risks and actions to be made. However, there has been an issue where the action owner is a group rather than an individual i.e. Heads of Service, with not all Heads of Service receiving a reminder. Work is underway to resolve this problem and this will be completed for the next reporting cycle.

There are a total of 56 actions in the risk register; 29 have been completed, 24 are in progress within timescales, 2 are overdue and 1 has been cancelled.

26 actions have been updated on Covalent since the last report to committee on 21 April 2015.

As can be noted from the attached update report, risk numbers 2,6,9,12,17 and 18 have all been reviewed. The risk score for the Cultural Change risk (no. 2) has been re-assessed in light of recent survey evidence that indicated that culture is beginning to shift in a positive direction. The likelihood score has reduced from High (score of 4) to Low to High (score of 3) giving it a new lower total risk score of 12 (previously 16).

The updated report is attached at Appendix 1.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

6. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

The issues contained in this report fall within an approved category that has been confirmed as exempt from an equalities perspective.

NOTE: No background papers, as detailed by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to a material extent in preparing the above report.

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List of Appendices:

1. Corporate Risk Register Update Report