

ANGUS COUNCIL

SCRUTINY AND AUDIT COMMITTEE – 26 JANUARY 2021

CORPORATE RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

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ABSTRACT

This report provides an update on the training being undertaken to embed the council's risk management framework into its operations and decision making processes. The corporate risk register has also been reviewed and updated.

1. RECOMMENDATION(S)

It is recommended that the Scrutiny and Audit Committee:

- (i) note the planned risk management training programme and
- (ii) scrutinise the corporate risk register dashboard and all risks contained therein.

2. ALIGNMENT TO THE ANGUS COMMUNITY PLAN/COUNCIL PLAN

The contents of this report contribute to the achievement of the corporate priorities set out in the Angus Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and the Council Plan. This is achieved through this report providing the Scrutiny & Audit Committee with information and assurance about the council's identified corporate risks and the embedding of our risk management framework.

3. BACKGROUND

Reference is made to item 7 of the minute of this Committee on 20 January 2020, report no. 15/20 where an update to the work being undertaken in relation to the council's risk management guidance and an update of the corporate risk register was reported.

4. CURRENT POSITION

Risk management training was held with the corporate leadership team on 20th January 2020. The planned roll out of this training was suspended in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Training will now restart on 19th January 2021 with all directors and service leads being invited to attend training hosted by QA our external provider. The next step is more specific training and guidance to be done with individual senior management teams to assist in their identification of risks to the provision of their directorate / service objectives / outcomes. This training will be delivered by members of the Risk, Resilience and Safety team.

The corporate risk register has been reviewed and risks updated. The risk dashboard has been updated accordingly. The Climate Change risk has been added and a new Recovery and Renew risk is currently being developed. The EU exit risk has been reviewed down from red to amber as a deal has been agreed. Continued monitoring will be undertaken by the Brexit Officers Group.

The dashboard and detailed risks are attached at appendix 1 and appendix 2 respectively.

Separate dashboards and registers are in place for the Council's ongoing response to Covid19. Risks are included as standing agenda items and identified by the Gold and Silver Incident Management Teams. Risks are reviewed at each meeting. The current Gold risk dashboard and register (as at 14th January 2021) are attached at appendix 3.

5. PROPOSALS

The Committee scrutinises the progress of the corporate risk register and risk management training.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

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:

Appendix 1 – Risk Dashboard

Appendix 2 – Detailed Risks

Appendix 3 – Corporate Risk Dashboard