

Quarter 1, 2022-2023 Service Delivery Risk Register

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SD1	Loss of income to the Housing Revenue Account (HRA)	Reduction of income through the Impact of: Universal Credit (UC) (increase rent arrears) Void Properties (rent loss) Right to buy properties (rent loss)	Loss of income into the (HRA)	Financial	4	2	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A revised Income Management Policy has been approved by Housing and Community Services Committee and new operational/ IT procedures implemented. New dwellings mitigate revenue lost through Right to Buy (RTB). New Builds can still be purchased under (RTB) after three years for Secure Tenancies. Daily monitoring of UC, and income management. The Housing Service has made operational changes to deal with this increase which have been subject to a successful audit review. Programme in place to reduce the void rent loss. Council House Development Group is in place 	3	1	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased focus on collection of rent and other housing debt. Monitoring and review of arrears, evictions and rent loss due to voids Council House development group to develop a pipeline of development schemes. 	No change in Q1.	Head of Housing Services
SD3	Safety standards	Failure to comply with basic safety standards in flats/blocks with communal areas.	Risk to property and life	Compliance	2	4	8	<p>Housing Safety policies are now in place for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Fire ➤ Lift ➤ Electrical ➤ Gas ➤ Asbestos ➤ Legionella <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A recent Internal Audit of Housing Safety has confirmed that the systems in place provide "reasonable assurance" in this area. Contracts are in place to deliver property improvements for all aspects of property safety. Recruited an Asset and compliance Post 	2	4	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring and carrying out safety checks as per the Housing Safety Policies. Reconfiguring software (lifespan) to manage this 	No change in Q1.	Head of Housing Services

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SD5	Reduction in funding for Cultural and Community Services	Reduction of Council funding into Cultural and Community Services. Unable to source external funding to service.	There is likely to be additional funding needed to replace income lost through Covid-19.	Financial	3	3	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forward budget planning over several years, to cover the medium-term- up to and including 2023/24. Approvals received for reserve spend to secure staffing initially for Active Communities. The Council receives an annual Community Safety funding allocation from the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) of £25,000. In December 2021, the new PCC confirmed that this level of funding will continue for a further three years. The Council receives an annual Basic Command Unit funding allocation of £35,000 from the Chief Superintendent. This annual allocation, currently with no long-term commitment. A new three-year sponsorship of the Environmental Education Project with Rolls Royce has been confirmed. Government Funding via the National leisure Recovery Fund (NLRF) for the Leisure Centres has been received. 	3	3	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain current funding contribution that the Council makes towards the Active Communities service Continue to seek and secure relevant external funding opportunities to continued support service delivery. Monthly assessment of income and expenditure. 	No change in Q1	Head of Cultural and Community Services
SD6	Ageing infrastructure at Rosliston Forestry Centre	Need to upgrade infrastructure at Rosliston Forestry Centre	Unable to deliver services at Rosliston.	Strategic	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Condition survey updated as part of future procurement exercise for new contractor, informed by a wider strategic review. Focus on implementing infrastructure requirements identified in external consultant's report. Capital Programme bid successful with most projects supported. Engage tenants and keep Senior Leadership Team informed Covid-19 pandemic has enabled an opportunity to do some minor health and safety works whilst the site was closed to the public. Vision for site to be reviewed considering the pandemic, informed by the wider climate emergency debate 	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work commenced on the delivery of capital projects. Collaboration with Head of Corporate Property on improvements to the Planned Preventative Maintenance (PPM). Regular meetings held at operational and strategic levels with Forestry England. 	No change in Q1	Head of Cultural and Community Services

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SD7	Failure to meet housing delivery targets set out in the five-year supply	Economic slowdown, material or labour shortages, supply chain issues. There has been a small decrease in housing completions during the COVID pandemic.	A loss of control of new developments and reduced likelihood of achieving the necessary section 106 contributions and the potential for developments to be approved in unsustainable locations	Strategic	4	3	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Plan is in place which sets out the five-year supply. In August E&DS Committee approved that the local plan should have a review undertaken which will identify sufficient sites to provide an up-to-date five-year housing land supply. Active pursuit of schemes and opportunities. Increased focus on facilitating prompt commencement of development. Current five-year housing land supply rate at 6.15 years- most sites started are building at a rate above that originally anticipated such that 1029 were completed in 2020/21. Despite a small reduction on the previous year the council has maintained its five-year housing land supply and a strong bounce back from COVID is already occurring. Support government proposals to offer flexibility in supply and delivery requirements in light of COVID-19 effects. Local Plan issues and options consultation to be reported to the Local Plan working group and EDS committee over the summer to identify additional sites. 	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop action plan(s) where necessary. Monitoring/review of performance ongoing. 	No change in Q1	Head of Planning and Strategic Housing
SD9	Melbourne Sports Park	Failure to deliver against external funder requirements at the Melbourne Sports Park (MSP). Ongoing discussions with external funders.	MSP negatively affected by Covid-19 with no income generation for several months. Some external grants success to support this impact but not all.	Financial	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scheme to deliver additional car parking on site completed. Drainage scheme on MSP site and adjacent landowners complete. Improved rugby pitches playability should increase income generation from bar and catering. Work on three new tennis courts completed. Improvements to third rugby pitch and training area underway. These projects will aid future viability. Development sub-committee to be re-established to look at future works/developments at the site. Council representative on the Sub-Committee. 	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular Artificial Grass Pitch (AGP) Steering Group meetings. Matter under regular review at MSP Board meetings. Key funder in attendance at AGP steering group meetings. MSP Board meeting business plan income targets, however close monitoring is required. 	No change in Q1.	Head of Cultural and Community Services
SD11	Tree Management	Failure to manage the Council's tree stock in line with adopted Tree Management policy.	Breach of tree policy and/or accident/incident involving trees.	Strategic	4	3	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of approved Tree Management Policy completed. Zurich Municipal has provided support to assess the Council's risk on its Tree Policy and Strategy. A new tree policy and management plan has been agreed by committee on 17 March 2022 Unable to recruit an assistant tree officer so have gained approval to revise the structure of the Parks and Green Spaces to facilitate the flexible retirement of the current post holder and 	3	3	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The new Policy requires implementing and backlog of work procured and prioritised. A budget has been agreed. 	No change in Q1.	Head of Cultural and Community Services

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								the creation of an additional tree officer (at a more senior level) to enable the sharing of knowledge and experience.				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> External support for tree inspections is being procured. 		
SD12	Ageing Infrastructure at Greenbank Leisure Centre	Infrastructure at Greenbank Leisure Centre including pipework to pool and roof structure needs investment.	Unable to deliver services at Greenbank Leisure Centre	Strategic	3	3	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building condition survey is being updated and a planned preventative maintenance (PPM) programme put in place by Head of Corporate Property. Complete the necessary works identified in external consultant's report, informed by a wider strategic review (SOPM) Improvements made to pool pipework and roof. Ensure that there is sufficient capital funding to complete the necessary works and revenue funding for on-going PPM. Facility Planning Model (FPM) being undertaken to assess strategic need of leisure stock through to 2038. The FPM work above is now complete and will inform the Local Plan. Further work is being undertaken on the SOPM. 	3	3	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of the operational management and deliverability of PPM Options presented by FPM to be assessed and presented to Members in the future 	No change in Q1	Head of Cultural and Community Services
SD15	Leisure Centres	Due to the National Lockdowns and control of coronavirus measures.	The Council's Leisure Contractor can no longer sustain its business	Strategic Financial	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application to Government for National Leisure Recovery Fund (NLRF) successful and distribution being arranged. Increase risk to leisure providers viability nationally due to rising utility costs. Pre-planning within the budget setting process and close working relationship with leisure contractor. Monthly contract meetings are taking place to track contractor financial and operational performance. 	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monthly assessment of Leisure Contractor finances and assessment of Council support through monthly contract meetings. Contingency plans are also being developed should the contractor not be able to deliver the contract at short notice. Final settlement of financial negotiations during Covid closure is complete. End of year accounts have been received from contractor. It is clear that the trading conditions have been challenging but 	Update to further actions: Monthly contract meetings taking place to track financial and operational performance.	Head of Cultural and Community Services

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												participation is now increasing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continual monitoring is essential. 		
SD16	Voluntary and Community Sector	A reduction in resources for partners who deliver services for or on behalf of the Council.	Evidence that this is occurring with CVS and Citizens Advice having core funding reduced in recent years	Strategic Financial	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is considered that the Council is undertaking as much action as is reasonably possible at this stage to mitigate the risk. The Council's current grant funding has been increased in 2022/23. The Council employs a dedicated Community Partnership Officer to support the voluntary sector and local organisations. Capacity in the sector is starting to recover in light of Covid-19 and the Council is working to support the relevant organisations. 	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council continues to work with the Voluntary and Community sector to ensure its funding delivers the Council's Corporate Plan objectives. 	No change in Q1	Head of Community and Cultural Services
SD17	Sustainable Urban Drainage features (Suds)	Failure to manage the Suds in line with national guidance	Serious accident at a Suds feature, and / or failure of feature to prevent flooding	Operational Strategic Financial	3	4	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A recent report by Alliance Consulting has highlighted risks associated with SUDs features that the Council has adopted / is due to adopt. There are potentially nine sites. The Council has a capital budget to implement the findings of the Alliance report on Council-owned sites. The Council no longer adopts SUDs as part of new developments. These are transferred to Severn Trent Water subject to them meeting appropriate standards. 	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council has reviewed the independent SUDs report and is undertaking all reasonable and practicable actions to mitigate any risks. 	No change to rating in Q1	Head of Community and Cultural Services
SD18	Fluctuations in recyclate prices	Failure to monitor and report fluctuations in recyclate prices	An escalation in the cost of delivering the recycling service.	Operational Financial	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the time of awarding new recycling contracts in July 2021, an assessment of material prices over the last 30 months was undertaken. This showed that prices fluctuate from month to month. In assessing the bids, using the lowest material prices from the last 30 months was considered the most prudent way to budget for the service through the Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP), with a reserve established to bank any income over that budgeted to cover any periods where income falls below that budgeted. A quarterly update within the Revenue Monitoring Report is presented by the Head of Finance to Finance and Management Committee to allow Members to keep this under review. This position should be fully reviewed following the initial two-year period. 	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to report quarterly on recyclate income 	New Risk 2022/23 Q1.	Head of Operational Services

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SD19	Animal welfare costs	Significant increase in dog ownership, illegal dog breeding and poor animal welfare	Substantial costs from animals taken into possession which have been found to be suffering. The Council currently has possession of 120 animals following recent operations	Financial, Compliance, Partnership	4	3	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of powers under s20 of the Animal Welfare Act. Discussions about mutual support with RSPCA Exploring opportunities to appoint a Financial Investigator 	2	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further may be necessary review depending on the impacts of the three identified mitigations 	New Risk 2022/23 Q1	Head of Environmental Services

Risk Matrix Template

The table below outlines how the impact and likelihood of the risk is scored using the threshold and description as guidance.

1.1

Impact	Very High (4)	4	8	12	16	<table border="1"> <tr><td>12-16</td></tr> <tr><td>6-9</td></tr> <tr><td>1 - 4</td></tr> </table>	12-16	6-9	1 - 4	<p>Significant Risk Medium Risk Low Risk</p>
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Low (1)	1	2	3	4						
		Remote (1)	Possible (2)	Probable (3)	Highly Probable (4)					
		Likelihood								

Impact	Thresholds and Description
1 – Low	Limited impact on service objectives if any, section objectives unlikely to be met, financial loss less than £10,000, no media attention

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2 – Medium	Slight delay in achievement of service objectives, minor injuries, financial loss over £50,000k, adverse local media attention, breaches of local procedures
3 – High	Significant threat to Council objectives. Non-statutory duties not achieved, permanent injury, financial loss over £100,000, negative national media attention, litigation expected, serious issues raised through inspection, breakdown of confidence of partners.
4 – Very high	Objectives cannot be delivered. Statutory duties not achieved, death, financial loss over £500,000 adverse national media attention, litigation almost certain, prosecutions, breaches of law, inspection highlights inadequate service, Council unable to work with partner organisation
Likelihood	Thresholds and Description
1 – Remote	May occur only in exceptional circumstances (e.g. once in 10 years)
2 – Possible	Unlikely to occur but could at some time (e.g. once in three years)
3 – Probable (in two years)	Fairly likely to occur at some time or under certain circumstances (e.g. once in two years)
4 – Highly probable (in 12 months)	Will probably occur at some time or in most circumstances (e.g. once in 12 months)

Delivery Risk Matrix

The below table summarises the risk likelihood and impact for risks after controls have been put in place to mitigate the risk.

Impact	Very High (4)		SD3, SD9		
	High (3)		SD6, SD7, SD15, SD16, SD17, SD18, SD19	SD5, SD12	SD11
	Medium (2)				
	Low (1)			SD1	
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SD18	Monitor fluctuations in recycle prices	Failure to monitor and report fluctuations in recycle prices
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