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SUBJECT: RISK MANAGEMENT

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1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the Risk Management Framework as detailed in Appendix A is approved.

2.0 Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 To update the Council's risk management process document to reflect the Council's. approach to, and management of risk in order that it aligns to the Corporate Plan.
- 2.2 Under the Committee's Terms of Reference, it is responsible for considering and ensuring that the Council has an effective framework in place for managing risk as part of the Council's overall governance arrangements.

3.0 **Executive summary**

3.1 The Risk Management Framework was last submitted to the Audit Sub Committee in December 2020. Since then, some further amendments have been made which are outlined in section 4.0 - Detail.

4.0 Detail

- 4.1 The below bullet points outline the key amendments made to the Risk Management Framework since it was last approved in December 2020:
 - Section 4, Identifying Risks. 'The Environment' has been added to the list of factors the Council needs to give regard to.

- Section 6.1, The Key Principle. This section has been updated.
- The unique risk reference will remain with the risk whilst the risk is reported on the register.
- Once a risk has been authorised for deletion from the risk register it will be moved onto an archived risk register for audit purposes.
- The Council will move from four Risk Registers to three. The Strategic Risk Register will be made redundant and the existing risks identified in this register will be moved to the Corporate Risk Register.
- The Leadership Team will undertake quality checks on risks and will seek evidence to show the controls and mitigating actions are being monitored.
- Section 8, Risk Rating has been updated to include 'Risk Category' which includes, Strategic, Resource, Operational, Financial, Knowledge Management and Compliance.
- Section 10, a 'Communication' section has been added to the Framework to outline how all risks will be communicated to Heads of Service and officers.
- The risk register template has been revised and updated in line with best practice, the new template is based on the register used by Central Midlands Audit Partnership Board. Key changes include the addition of a risk category, risk cause and risk effect, current risk rating, risk rating after mitigating actions and risk owner. The new risk register template is included in Appendix A.

5.0 Financial and Implications

None directly.

6.0 Corporate Implications

Risk Management is one of the seven principles of ensuring sound Governance at the Council in accordance with the Local Code of Corporate Governance.

6.1 Employment Implications

None directly.

6.2 Legal Implications

None directly.

6.3 Corporate Plan Implications

None directly.



6.4 Risk Impact

The Risk Management Framework provides transparency and ensures robust controls are in place to mitigate risk to the Council.

7.0 Community Impact

7.1 Consultation

None required.

7.2 Equality and Diversity Impact

Not applicable in the context of the report.

7.3 Social Value Impact

Not applicable in the context of the report.

7.4 Environmental Sustainability

Not applicable in the context of the report.

8.0 Appendices

Appendix A – Risk Management Framework

