Corporate Risk Report March 2016

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Risk Code & Description	Consequences	Risk Owner	Current Risk Matrix	Control Action	Control Action Owner	Status	Target Risk Matrix	Quarterly Update
Event: Grant funding . Failure to achieve				CRR.01.1 Review current budgets in preparation for the 2016/17 budget	Dominic Bradley			March 2016 Update: 2016/17 balanced budget approved at February 2016
	funding			CRR.01.2 Develop options to deal with pressure for consideration by Members		Council meeting. MTFS will be revised in the summer of 2016 and will be taken back to Council in the Autumn of 2016 following the outcome of the NHB		
		Crowley	Likelihood	CRR.01.3 Develop a Medium Term Plan	Dominic Bradley		Likelihood	consultation. December 2015 settlement confirmed continuing NHB, but in much reduced form. Work on income generation, efficiencies and commissioning and transformation under Future Horsham also in progress, feeding into the MTFS.
Source:The Council has a legal obligation to protect personal data. The Informationbusinesses harm and s that might otherwise h occurredCommissioner has the power to levy significant financial penalties up to £500k for data breaches. Some information held by the Council is politically / commercially sensitive, and it is important that such information is notbusinesses harm and s that might otherwise h occurred . Complaint / litigation . Resources in defendin . Financial h consure b regulators . Adverse p	harm and suffer loss that might not	Tom Crowley		CRR.02.1 Develop appropriate processes & procedures which underpin the IT Security Policy	Jane Eaton			March 2016 Update: Ongoing information security training will be provided.
	. Complaints / claims / litigation . Resources consumed in defending claims . Financial losses . Censure by		Likelihood	CRR.02.2 Provide a programme of training on Information Security to all staff.	Jane Eaton			
				CRR.02.3 Annual PSN Accreditation	Jane Eaton		E Likelihood	

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<u>Event</u> : Major data breach or leak of sensitive information to a third party.								
CRR03 Legal <u>Source</u> : The Civil Contingencies Act places				CRR.03.1 Update corporate business continuity plan and regular review.	Trevor Beadle			
a legal obligation upon the Council, with partners, to assess the risk of, plan, and exercise for emergencies, as well as undertaking emergency and business continuity management. The Council is also responsible for warning and informing the public in relation to emergencies, and for advising local businesses. <u>Event</u> : The Council is found to have failed to fulfil its obligations under the Act in the event of a civil contingency.	. People and businesses come to harm and suffer loss that might not otherwise have occurred . Complaints / claims / litigation . Resources consumed in defending claims . Financial losses . Censure by regulators . Reputation damaged	Natalie Brahma- Pearl	Likelihood	CRR.03.2 Update departmental business continuity plans and regular review.	Trevor Beadle		Likelihood	March 2016 Update: CRR.03.1: An exercise took place towards the end of 2015, and an improvement action plan is being developed. CRR.03.2: The majority of plans have been completed and managers are required to review annually. Next review Summer 2016.
				CRR.05.1 Officer training	Jane Eaton	\bigcirc		
CRR05 Governance <u>Source</u> : Managers are responsible for ensuring that controls to mitigate risks are consistently applied.	Managers are ible for ensuring atrols to mitigate e consistentlyobjectives . Health & Safety . Financial . Service Delivery . Compliance with RegulationsOfficers are either e of expected. Personal Privacy Infringement . Reputation damage	Tom Crowley		CRR.05.2 Raise the profile of risk and control by incorporating them into the performance management framework (e.g. integrate into appraisal process).	Jane Eaton		Likelihood	<u>March 2016 Update</u> : No change. Risk is considered to be low, but remains on the risk register for monitoring purposes.
<u>Event</u> : Officers are either unaware of expected controls or do not comply with control procedures.			Likelihood	CRR.05.3 All Service Managers required to sign an Internal Control Statement. (By 30th June Annually).	Jane Eaton			

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				CRR.06.1 Set up a Health & Safety Forum with clear terms of reference (by 30/11/15).	Robert Laban		_	March 2016 Update: CRR06.1 - Completed. CRR06.2 - The Corporate H&S Adviser is continuing a programme of inspections; the introduction of Premises Coordinators (PCs) at all sites has been agreed and 80% of localities have been assigned. A pilot log for PCs has been developed and is being tested – roll-out and training of PCs to start in April 2016.
CRR06 Physical				CRR.06.2 Develop and implement a corporate inspection strategy (By 30/11/15).	Robert Laban / Health & Safety Officer			
Source: The Council is responsible for the health & safety of its clients, staff and other	. People come to harm . Complaints/claims/ litigation			CRR.06.3 Clarity of responsibilities and implementation of a training programme	Robert Laban			
stakeholders, owns and maintains significant assets, and also has responsibility for H&S in some partner organisations where it does not have operational control. <u>Event</u> : A health & safety failure occurs.	 Itigation Financial losses Censure by audit / inspection Reputation damage Adverse effect on morale Stress and absenteeism 	Tom Crowley	Likelihood	CRR.06.4 Implement a central repository for risk assessments (by 30/06/16).	Robert Laban / Health & Safety Officer		Likelihood	 06.3 - Underway and on- going: H&S responsibilities have been set out, generically, in the newly revised Corporate H&S Policy; more specific responsibilities are being set out as each existing H&S subject policy is reviewed and as an additional suite of H&S subject policies is introduced. 06.4 - Action is not yet due. The Corporate Health & Safety Adviser is working with Census to implement an electronic solution.
	nagerial / Professional urce: There is a lack of porate consistency in ms of the way in which utracts are managed, d contract nagement is dequate in some as Failure of business objectives . Financial . Service delivery . Compliance with regulations . Personal Privacy Infringement . Reputation damageTom Crowley		Likelihood	CRR.07.1 Specific contract management guidelines will be developed. (By 31/01/16).	Mark Pritchard		Likelihood	March 2016 Update: The amended Procurement Code has been adopted by Full Council. A Contract Management training programme has been developed, and officer training is nearing completion.
contracts are managed, and contract management is inadequate in some areas. <u>Event</u> : Failure of contract / poor service delivery / failure to achieve value for money.		-		CRR.07.2 A contract management training programme will be designed and implemented. (By 31/01/16).	Mark Pritchard			

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CRR08 Governance <u>Source</u> : The Councils decision-making processes are based on a Constitution that is overly bureaucratic and unnecessarily complicated <u>Event</u> : Non-compliance with the Constitution and delays in decision-making	. Opportunities lost . Complaints / claims / litigation . Financial losses . Lack of openness and transparency	Paul Cummins	Likelihood	CRR.08.1 The Council's Constitution will be updated using the 2011 template. (By March 2016).	Paul Cummins		Likelihood	March 2016 Update: Members are currently undertaking a review of the Council's Governance arrangements. A recommendation will go to full Council in April. Implementation of an updated Constitution will follow on with the conclusion of the Governance Review.
CRR09 Governance				CRR.09.1 Member training (ongoing)	Paul Cummins			March 2016 Update: Member training in ethical
Source: The Council's decision-making relies	. Poor/ultra vires	Tom Crowley	Likelihood	CRR.09.2 Officer training (ongoing)	Paul Cummins		रह द्वि Likelihood	governance, media/ communications and equality/diversity has been arranged for early 2016. Regular briefings on planning matters are ongoing. Manager training takes place in briefings at Managers Forum and Managers Conference.
upon the taking of professional advice from officers or external consultants <u>Event</u> : Advice is not taken.	decisions . Complaints/claims/ litigation . Financial losses . Reputation damage			CRR.09.3 Member briefings to improve communications	Paul Cummins			
CRR12 Partnership / Supplier /				CRR.12.1 Staff training	Mark Pritchard / Roger Dennis	0		
Contractual <u>Source:</u> The Council is subject to EU				CRR.12.2 Up-to-date procedures	Mark Pritchard / Roger Dennis		Likelihood	March 2016 Update: The amended Procurement Code has been adopted by Full Council. A Contract Management training programme has been developed, and officer training is nearing completion.
procurement rules and regulations, is putting more services out to	. Financial losses			CRR.12.3 Reference to Mark Pritch	Mark Pritchard / Roger Dennis			
tender, and contractors are increasingly challenging contract awards. <u>Event:</u> A contractor successfully challenges an award (eg on inflexible price:quality ratios).	. Censure by audit / inspection . Reputation damage . Adverse effect on morale	Tom Crowley	ਸ਼ੁੱਦ ਹੈ Likelihood	CRR.12.4 Proactive monitoring by the Procurement Team	Mark Pritchard / Roger Dennis			

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CRR13 Governance <u>Source</u> : Decisions are not always based on data.	. Poor decisions	Tom		CRR.13.1 Robust evaluation of business cases to inform decisions (ongoing)	SLT			March 2016 Update: The Senior Leadership
Event: Wrong decision made.	. Poor VFM . Increased costs / financial losses	Crowley	Likelihood	CRR.13.2 Ensure that decisions are properly documented (Ongoing)	SLT		Likelihood	Team will continue to review the quality of business cases.
				CRR.14.1 Ensure that leisure priorities are understood within the CIL schedule process and keep under review	Trevor Beadle			March 2016 Update: Member briefings took place on 10th December 2015 and 27th January
				CRR.14.2 Identify the impact of funding erosion with competing partners e.g. WSCC		2016 The CIL Monitoring Officer was appointed in January 2016 who will arrange		
CRR14 <u>Customer/Citizen</u> <u>Source</u> : The negotiation of Section 106 and CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) are essential for ensuring outcomes for residents. <u>Event</u> : Failure to negotiate the optimum outcome.	Reduced funding to deliver outcomes for the community	Chris Lyons	tikelihood	CRR.14.3 Update the Planning Obligations SPD (Supplementary Planning Document) and CIL charging schedule.	Barbara Childs		Likelihood	was appointed in January

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CRR16 <u>Source</u> : The Council has a statutory responsibility to employ the services of a suitably qualified and experienced Section 151 Officer to oversee the	a			CRR.16.01 The Section 151 Officer at MSDC has been appointed as Interim Section 151 Officer to provide appropriate advice as required.	Dominic Bradley			
Council's financial affairs. In addition, the Section 151 Officer, in her capacity as Director of Corporate Resources, has responsibility for other important areas of the Council (namely, CenSus ICT, Legal & Democratic Services, HR & OD, Risk Management & Audit, Business Services, and Commissioning & Performance. <u>Event:</u> The recent departure of the Council's Section 151 and the delay in the commencement date of the new Section 151 Officer could expose the Council to risk in terms of decision-making.	Failure of business objectives Health & Safety Financial Service delivery Compliance with regulations Personal privacy infringement Reputation	Tom Crowley	Likelihood	CRR.16.02 The Chief Executive will assume management responsibility for the Director of Corporate Resources' (DOCR) direct reports until the new DOCR commences employment.	Tom Crowley		Likelihood	March 2016 Update: This risk has been added at the request of Members of the Accounts, Audit & Governance Committee. The new Director of Corporate Resources is due to commence employment on 29th March 2016.
CRR17 <u>Source</u> : The External Auditors audit the HDC Benefits				CRR.17.1 Increase / improve the level of quality control checking.	Tim Delany			March 2016 Update: This risk has been added at
Grant Subsidy return to the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) on an annual basis to identify errors. Targeted sample testing is undertaken to ensure that housing benefit claims have been correctly administered, and extended sample testing is carried out should	Financial Service Delivery Compliance with regulations Reputation	Tom Crowley	Likelihood	CRR.17.2 Continued implementation of the Census Quality Plan which came out of the 2013/14 audit.	Tim Delany		Likelihood	the request of Members of the Accounts, Audit & Governance Committee. Kathryn Hall (Chief Executive for MSDC) has been invited to attend a meeting of the Finance and Performance Working Group on 22nd March 2016 to provide an update on progress in terms of the control actions.

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errors be identified. The amount of the error is then extrapolated across the entire population (for that particular cell) to produce an estimate of the total error amount. Where errors are identified, the Subsidy Claim may be qualified, and financial penalties may occur. It is important to note that the Administration of Housing Benefit is undertaken by the CenSus Partnership and Benefits staff are employed by Mid-Sussex.								
<u>Event</u> : Errors may be made which are not identified by quality control checking. This may result in the Benefit Subsidy claim being qualified and/or financial losses.								