

Subject:	All Strategic Risk MAP Focus review dates; and Risk MAP Focus on SR19 Implementation of the Care Act; SR20 Better Care Fund; and SR13 Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults		
Date of Meeting:	23 September 2014		
Report of:	Executive Director Finance & Resources		
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Ward(s) affected:	All		

FOR GENERAL RELEASE**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT**

- 1.1 The Audit & Standards Committee has a role to monitor the effectiveness of risk management and internal control. This includes oversight of the Strategic Risk Register which is set and reviewed every six months by the Executive Leadership Team (ELT). Each Strategic Risk has a Risk Management Action Plan (a "risk MAP") to deliver action to address the risk by a Risk Owner, a member of ELT.
- 1.2 The Committee has agreed a schedule to focus on two Strategic Risk MAPs at each meeting, and to ask Risk Owners to attend in order to more fully explore the details of the actions to address each Strategic Risk. The Audit & Standards Committee have a work plan which will include Risk MAP Focus items as shown in Appendix 1.
- 1.3 This meeting will be attended by Denise D'Souza, Executive Director Adult Services, who is the Risk Owner for all three of the Strategic Risks, SR19; SR20 and SR13, to receive focus at this meeting. These Strategic Risk MAPs, at Appendix 2, have been updated specifically for this meeting to provide Members with the current position

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That the Committee's Work Plan scheduling for risk review focus items at Appendix 1 is noted.
- 2.2 That the Committee ask questions of the Risk Owner for Strategic Risks SR13, SR19 and SR20 based on the information provided in the Strategic Risk MAPS at Appendix 2.

- 2.3 That, having considered the Risk MAPs and the Risk Owner's response, the Committee make any recommendations it considers appropriate to the relevant council body.

3. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Financial Implications

Each Strategic Risk MAP provides details of the actions already in place ("Existing Controls") or work to be done as part of business or project plans (the "Solutions") to address each strategic risk. Potentially these may have significant financial implications for the authority either directly or indirectly.

The associated financial risks are considered during the Targeted Budget Management process, the development of the Medium Term Financial Strategy and budget strategies.

Finance Officer Consulted: Rob Allen

Date 30/07/14

3.2 Legal Implications

The Committee is entitled to information, data and other evidence which enable it to reach an informed view as to whether the council's strategic risks are being adequately managed; and to make recommendations based on its conclusions.

Lawyer Consulted:

Oliver Dixon

Date: 30/07/14

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. Strategic Risk Management Action Plan (Risk MAP) Focus Items in Audit & Standards Committee Work Plan 2014/15
2. Strategic Risk Assessment Report September 2014

Documents in Members' Rooms

None.

Background Documents

1. Strategic Risk Register 2014/2015 – reviewed by Executive Leadership Team, May 2014.