Overview of Corporate Level Risks

Appendix A

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Risk Title	Impact on financial position as a result of lack of certainty around future funding streams (i.e., Business Rates, Fair Funding, New Homes Bonus and Council Tax Equalisation), and cost of living crisis.	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	20
Risks Category	Financial	Current Controlled Risk Score	Dough Jampact	16
Internal Controls	Maintain an awareness of changing priorities • MTFS in place • Strategy to maximise growth of Business Rates • Working with significant partners • Maintain adequate level of reserves . Financial plan		No change to current risk rating. Government have not yet commenced their planned consultation and it is widely expected that any changes to the current funding formula will be delayed by a furthe year.	
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Closure, downsizing of premises or relocation of a major district employer which may cause significant unemployment, retraining requirements, and a potential loss of Business Rates	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Boogle Impact	16
Risks Category	Financial	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	16
Internal Controls	to understand requirements • Work with authorities, landowners, developers & agents • Work with LLEP	Latest Note	Whilst larger employers ac proportion of businesses we the impact of closure or re significant. At present we a any potential threats to the	vithin the district, location is are not aware of
	to secure funding for business development initiatives & schemes	Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Failure of Leicestershire Building Control Partnership to Meet Financial Position Forecast in the Business Plan	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	20
Risks Category	Contractual / Financial / Partnership / Political / Reputational	Current Controlled Risk Score	December 2015 Impact	16
Internal Controls		Latest Note	The current economic climate and downturn in the housing market have led to a significant reduction in demand for Building Control services. This in turn means that income is likely to fall short of the budget by as much as £200,000. Whilst this loss may be partially offset by vacancy savings, it will inevitably lead to an increased net cost of service to all partners. Although a similar result would be expected if there was no partnership in place, it can be expected that partner authorities will raise concerns over performance.	
		Latest Note Date	10 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Failure to recruit and retain the right people for the right jobs	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	16
Risks Category	Professional	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	12
Internal Controls	 Learning and development provision, including skills and training needs analysis • Supporting Employee Performance policies and practices • Workforce planning including succession planning and use of market supplements where applicable. 	Latest Note	Whilst the overall recruitment picture has improved, some services continue to suffer in terms of availability of required skill set, including Finance, Council Tax and Benefits, Building Control, and ICT.	
	and ase of market supplements where applicable.	Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Failure to provide affordable housing and supporting infrastructure in the district in line with identified need.	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Poc. John Market	16
Risks Category	Political	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	12
Internal Controls	 Agreement on countywide housing distribution Council adoption of appropriate housing needs policies Feedback to consultation processes Input into Strategic Planning Groups Review of options to deliver affordable housing & balanced 	Latest Note	No change to existing rating.	
	housing market	Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Structural, legislative and budgetary changes in other Public Sector organisations (e.g. DWP, Health, Police, Leicestershire CC).	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Document of the second of the	16
Risks Category	Financial / Social	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	12
Internal Controls	Maintain awareness & respond to implications of emerging changes in public sector delivery organisations	Latest Note	No change to rating but fir County Council represents threat to funding of Blaby i	a potential
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Cost of living crisis leading to increased demand for services.	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	20
Risks Category	Financial / Social	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	12
Internal Controls	provide support • Supporting residents in times of crisis • Grant funding available from government as part of Energy Bill Support Scheme (additional	Latest Note	No change to risk although of a new Welfare Support represents an additional m	Officer
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Huncote Leisure Centre and surrounding site - risk of elevated levels of methane from landfill site.	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	15
Risks Category	Financial / Reputational / Health & Safety	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	12
Internal Controls	 Additional monitoring and venting wells installed. Rear of site remains closed pending completion and monitoring of new boreholes. Regular communication with partners on site. 	Latest Note	Trenching works around leisure centrin progress. RAG rating to be reviewed upon completion.	
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Officer and Member welfare is impacted by ongoing service demand and financial pressures	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	16
Risks Category	Physical	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	12
Internal Controls	Policies and procedures being revised and reviewed together with guidance documents for staff and managers • Employee helpline in place • Continuous review with teams and individuals • Being flexible with working policies. • Member	Latest Note	No change	
	Induction Programme.	Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	District Partners Do Not Accept the Increased Financial Cost Arising From New Lightbulb Contract	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	16
Risks Category	Contractual / Financial / Partnership / Political / Reputational	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	12
Internal Controls	Regular board meetings in place; recognition of partners' financial position; regular monitoring of budget; meetings held with partners as part of the contract planning process; inclusion on Internal Audit Plan.	Latest Note	Blaby is in the process of repartnership structure ahearenewal in April 2024. As process, Blaby is looking to recovery of its overheads in hosting Lightbulb. Partners consistently that they are ran increase in costs other reflect pay increases. They this could lead to the partners unsustainable going forward.	ad of contract coart of the o seek full incurred in s have not able to accept than those that re is a risk that hership being
		Latest Note Date	10 Sep 2023	

F	lisk Title	Engagement of elected members negatively impacting on decision making process	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Document of the latest of the	9
F	lisks Category	Political	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	9
li	nternal Controls	Recruitment/member succession • Audit & Corporate Governance Committee • Training/Cabinet development • Induction	Latest Note	Not all new members have committed to meetings or attended planned training. Th could lead to issues regarding proper decision making.	
			Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	That the Council is unable to deliver a new local plan and cannot identify 5 years worth of housing land required by National Policy, which could make relevant local policies out of date when determining planning applications.	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	12
Risks Category	Social	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	9
Internal Controls	To identify additional sites for residential development through the Delivery DPD	Latest Note	No change to existing ratir	ng.
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Failure to provide appropriate temporary accommodation for homeless households	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	16
Risks Category		Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	9
Internal Controls	temporary accommodation in the District.	Latest Note	Reviewed by Corporate R September. Slight fall in no demand and complexity re compared to pre-pandemi funding of circa £1.4m sec 11 additional temporary ho	umbers but emains high c. External cured to provide
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Impact of Industrial Action on Services & Residents	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	20
Risks Category	Environmental / Financial / Reputational	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	9
Internal Controls	Alternative workforce where possible; mental health support in place; arbitration measures; regular communication to staff, members, and residents; SLT presence at depot.	th Latest Note Planned industrial action was averted after new ballot result means the action could take play but the Council has a to look at various worlikelihood appears to		ion. The original rther industrial to December, d with the union practices so
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Blaby District Plan is not deliverable within available resources. If we do not deliver the corporate objectives the quality of life of residents and those who work in the district will not be improved.	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	12
Risks Category	Political	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	8
Internal Controls	 All service plans aligned to Blaby District Plan objectives Be clear about expected outcomes Monitor delivery of Blaby District Plan Review Blaby District Plan priorities regularly 	Latest Note	New plan under developm	ent.
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Failure to have effective safeguarding arrangements and a plan in place to safeguard children and vulnerable adults may place people in danger	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	15
Risks Category	Competitive / Reputational / Social	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	8
Internal Controls	 Active Member of District DSO Group Continuous training of designated officers, review of policies Ensuring enough trained officers are available Policies in place and effectively communicated to staff 	Latest Note	No change to risk score. No increasing although the issues arising is on the rise	e complexity of
	communicated to stan	Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Failure to ensure adherence to internal control arrangements would leave the council open to fraud, affecting reputation and breaches of the council's procedures, policies and legal responsibilities.	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	15
Risks Category	Fraud / Legal	Current Controlled Risk Score	BQ By Impact	8
Internal Controls review Employers Ensure Use of	• Anti Fraud & Corruption/Benefit Fraud policies reviewed & adopted. Staff/Member training • Employees adhere to governance procedures • Ensure we do not employ staff with false records • Use of NAFN bulletins to maintain awareness of latest threats • Policies and procedures ensure	Latest Note	No change.	
	segregation of duties	Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Lack of effective Emergency Planning and Business Continuity arrangements	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Document of the second of the	15
Risks Category	Professional	Current Controlled Risk Score	Document of the second of the	8
Internal Controls	• All key EP & BC documents on Resilience Direct • Internal EP & BC working group meeting • Periodic training with SLT & key officers of plans • Out of hours Emergency Contact Centre Contract (First Call) • Partnership with the Leicestershire Resilience Forum • Senior Leadership Team On	Latest Note	Recent internal audit reports at isfactory rating. Blaby's handling major emergenci landfill gas issue at Hunco good stead for handling si	experience in es, such as the te, sets us in
	Call Rota	Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Failure to identify, record, monitor and report health and safety risks.	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	16
Risks Category	Physical	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	8
Internal Controls	Health & Safety procedures • Service blueprints	Latest Note	There is an increased per aggression towards staff. 'established to review prootraining to be scheduled to escalation methods and a complex needs and self-him.	Working group edures, and o look at de- wareness of
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Budgetary pressures prevent us from achieving our 2030 net zero carbon reduction target.	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	12
Risks Category	Environmental / Financial / Reputational	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	8
Internal Controls	 Carbon reduction action plan in place. Dedicated officer working on "green" initiatives Cross service working group in place to maintain high profile and awareness. Fleet replacement strategy under review. 	Latest Note	No change although it is re there is often a significant the achievement of net ze	cost attached to
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Failure to comply with legislation, resulting in us not meeting our statutory obligations The organisation promotes and demonstrates the principles and values of good governance	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	6
Risks Category	Legal	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	6
Internal Controls	 Constitution regularly reviewed and kept up to date Annual Governance Statement Independent Member Committees Skilled workforce Training/CPD 	Latest Note	Slight increase in risk due experienced staff and compotentially leading to gove processes not being follow	peting demands rnance
		Latest Note Date	06 Sep 2023	

Risk Title	Contracts may fail to deliver intended outcomes if not managed effectively, and improvements/efficiencies may not be delivered.	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	9
Risks Category	Contractual / Partnership	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	6
Internal Controls	 Ensure that effective contract management arrangements are put in place as part of procurement process. Manage SLM Contract through quarterly governance meetings. 	Latest Note	No update.	
		Latest Note Date	24 Mar 2023	

Risk Title	Operating Cost of Hospital Enablement Team Contract Becomes Unsustainable	Uncontrolled Risk Score	Impact	9
Risks Category	Contractual / Financial / Partnership / Political / Reputational	Current Controlled Risk Score	Impact	6
Internal Controls	Regular board meetings in place; recognition of partners' financial position; regular budget monitoring; 100% external funding in place.	Latest Note	A new three-year contract with increased external fur enhanced structure and B	nding to cover an
		Latest Note Date	10 Sep 2023	