

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL.

CABINET EXECUTIVE

30th April 2019

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Portfolio Holder for Risk Management**

SUBJECT: Strategic Risk Register Report Quarter 3 2018/19

REPORT FOR: Discussion / Information

1. Summary

The Council is in a process of continuously improving and updating its approach to risk management to help better understand and manage the risks the Council is facing, and to increase the likelihood of achieving its objectives. Risk management is a core management discipline that supports organisational delivery. The risks that Powys County Council face are changing all the time, so the art of good risk management is to combine planning for what we know might happen with preparation for unknown situations, and to safeguard the organisation and in turn make it more resilient.

2. Risk Management Improvement

The electronic risk management software (JCAD Core) is currently being rolled out across the organisation on a phased approach. Users for each service are being identified, and guidance and training is being rolled out to those users. The system will promote greater ownership of risks, as services will be required to update their risk registers themselves. Challenge and support to services on their risk registers will still take place on a quarterly basis.

Reporting will be much less onerous using JCAD, with the ability to generate reports at the touch of a button.

JCAD has so far been rolled out across the following services: -

- Adult Services
- Children's Services
- Schools Service
- Highways, Transport and Recycling
- Housing
- Regeneration
- Leisure and Recreation
- Planning, Policy and Public Protection

Following completion of rollout of JCAD at service level, the system will be rolled out to EMT and Cabinet, to enable monitoring of the strategic risk register via this tool. Appropriate training will be provided to users.

3. Strategic Risk Register

The strategic risk register was previously reviewed and refined, to provide a more concise document for review, enabling greater clarity. As a result of this review, a number of risks were de-escalated to service risk registers, and those risks will be reviewed quarterly by Director and Portfolio Holder. The remaining 12 risks are also reviewed quarterly by services, but remain on the strategic risk register.

Appendix A details the current risks on the strategic risk register.

4. Options Considered / Available

N/A

5. Preferred Choice and Reasons

N/A

6. Impact Assessment

5.1 Is an impact assessment required? No

7. Corporate Improvement Plan

7.1 The Corporate Risk Register outlines the key risks to the Council's 'business as usual' activities, as well as risk to delivery of objectives contained within the Corporate Improvement Plan.

8. Local Member(s)

8.1 This report impacts all Members equally and does not affect local Members individually.

9. Other Front Line Services

Does the recommendation impact on other services run by the Council or on behalf of the Council? Yes

10. Communications

Have Communications seen a copy of this report? Yes

Awaiting comment

11. Support Services (Legal, Finance, Corporate Property, HR, ICT, Business Services)

11.1 Legal – awaiting comment

11.2 Finance – “The Finance Business Partner notes the contents of the report.”

12. Scrutiny

Has this report been scrutinised? No

13. Statutory Officers

13.1 Section 151 Officer – Comments will be reported at the meeting.

13.2 Monitoring Officer – Comments will be reported at the meeting.

14. Members’ Interests

14.1 The Monitoring Officer is not aware of any specific interests that may arise in relation to this report. If Members have an interest they should declare it at the start of the meeting and complete the relevant notification form.

Recommendation:	Reason for Recommendation:
That Cabinet notes the risk register and the current risks faced by the organisation.	To ensure the adequate management of risk, and safeguard the Council

Relevant Policy (ies):			
Within Policy:	Y / N	Within Budget:	Y / N

Relevant Local Member(s):	N/A
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Person(s) To Implement Decision:	N/A
Date By When Decision To Be Implemented:	N/A

Is a review of the impact of the decision required?	Y / N
If yes, date of review	

Person responsible for the review	
Date review to be presented to Portfolio Holder/ Cabinet for information or further action	

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Background Papers used to prepare Report:

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