

To: Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Board

On: 23 November 2020

Report by: Director of Finance and Resources

Heading: Strategic, Corporate and Service Risks

1. Summary

- 1.1 In keeping with 'Risk Matters,' the council's combined risk management policy and strategy, the strategic and corporate risk registers are usually refreshed on an annual basis; led by the Corporate Risk Management Group (CRMG), on behalf of and in consultation with the Corporate Management Team. In addition, each service department maintains its own risk management plan in respect of the operational risks within their areas of responsibility.
- 1.2 The CRMG was preparing the risks to be put before the Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Board for approval when the UK went into lockdown in response to the global pandemic. Since March 2020, the risk management priority of the organisation has focused firstly on the corporate risk for our Response to Covid-19 and then on our Recovery from Covid-19.
- 1.3. Over more recent months however, it became clear that rather than have separate risks relating to Covid-19, the more appropriate approach was to review all existing risks for Covid-19 impact, and further, reconsider the council's full risk profile as viewed now through the Covid-19 experience. This work has now been completed, agreed by the Emergency Management Team and it is now presented here for approval. Of specific note, members will see that the council now has 5 very high (red) risks; these go well beyond the council's appetite for risk and ordinarily would be deemed to be 'unacceptable.' Given however that these have largely been driven by external factors outwith the council's control, there is little option but to continue to carefully manage and monitor these.

2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that the Board approves the strategic, corporate and key service risks and is assured regarding the methodologies used to ensure the appropriate risks are being identified and managed.

3. Background

- 3.1 Good risk management enables the delivery of safe and high-quality services for service users, high standards of performance, makes the most of opportunities and provides a safer environment for our employees and our contractors and partners that we deliver services with.
- 3.2 The council's approach to risk management encourages services to be risk aware rather than risk averse and, in this way, seek to reduce instances of harm or loss but also enable innovation and the pursuit of better outcomes.
- 3.3. To assist with understanding how the CRMG has approached its review of the strategic and corporate risk profile and also to help provide a clear audit trail of how we have moved from the former risk profile to the new one, Appendix 1 to this report shows:
 - Table 1: the council's strategic and corporate risk profile pre Covid-19 (as originally planned for submission to ARS Board in May 2020)
 - Table 2: the risks from table 1 but showing the transition to the new profile
 - Table 3: the new risk profile proposed for agreement.
- 3.4. The **key changes** can be summarised as follows:
 - Reintroduction of a strategic Economy risk (business focus), noting that this
 is/ will be influenced by Covid-19, Brexit, the major capital investment
 programmes and City Deal, and the Future Paisley Programme, (previously
 recorded as individual risks);
 - Reintroduction a strategic Unemployment risk (social/ community focus), noting that this too is/ will be influenced by Covid-19, Brexit, the major capital investment programmes and City Deal, and the Future Paisley Programme;
 - Reintroduction of a corporate Employee Wellbeing risk, noting the importance of managing this particular risk well in light of the Covid-19 experience
 - A **new** imminent shorter-term risk for **financial stability**, recognising the immediate financial situation of the council (whereas the medium to longer-term financial position is captured under financial 'sustainability')
 - A new imminent shorter-term risk for regulatory functions/ statutory
 activities, recognising the immediate pressures on the resilience of Trading
 Standards and Environmental Health officers in responding to increasing
 workload as a result of the pandemic and in view of forthcoming Brexit impacts
 - Merging of the liability for predecessor organisations risk within the context of the financial sustainability risk
 - Revision of the Information and Records risk to focus on Information
 Handling, recognising circumstances of increased working off site due to the
 pandemic and potential for data breaches due to different working practices

- Removal of the risk for delivery of the Community Empowerment Act, since, while the Act is important, compliance with it is not considered to be an issue for now;
- **Removal** of the risk on Governance: internal control and management oversight. There are aspects of this that are challenging in the Covid context but can be picked up in other risks.
- Removal of the risk on Welfare Reform recognising that this is now managed
 as part of the Council's normal operations and any aspects relating to caseload
 increases can be captured within the Financial Sustainability risk instead.
- Pausing the risk relating to delivering the benefits of Right for Renfrewshire.
- 3.5 The outcome of the review is that the council now has 5 strategic risks and 11 corporate risks, **five** of these (**red risks**) being outwith its stated 'appetite' for risk. It is important for the Board to note therefore that at the next review of the council's risky policy and strategy (commencing shortly) the organisation's risk appetite will need to be reviewed and reconsidered.

Strategic Risk Headlines	Corporate Risk Headlines
# Economy	# Financial Stability
Unemployment	# Financial Sustainability
♣ Reducing Inequalities	♣ Organisation Resilience
Climate, sustainability and adaptability	♣ Regulatory Services/ Statutory Activities
♣ Community Safety & Public Protection	
	Information Handling
	4 Administration of Elections
	Protecting internal resources from crime
	Expansion of Early Years Provision

- 3.6 Additionally, service departments have revisited their operational service-specific risks. It should be noted that when considering their top 'significant' operational risks (i.e. those that are evaluated as high or very high) all reported that any such risks were already captured by a number of strategic and corporate risks, and any remaining risks were only low or moderate. For the purposes of this report there are therefore no significant operational risks to be separately reported on by the service departments.
- 3.7 For context, the definitions for strategic, corporate and service-specific risks are:
 - <u>Strategic risks</u> reflect external issues that impact on the people and communities of Renfrewshire, where the council along with its partners have a significant role to play in managing these risks.
 - <u>Corporate risks</u> reflect internal issues that affect multiple service departments and are linked to the efficiency and effectiveness of the organisation.
 - <u>Service specific</u> risks reflect issues that individual service departments need to manage within their own teams, in addition to any they may be responsible for in the strategic or corporate risk registers.

3.8 Risks have been evaluated using the council's standard risk matrix; this involves multiplying the likelihood of a risk occurring by its potential impact. Risks are then evaluated as either 'low' (green), 'moderate' (yellow), 'high' (amber) or 'very high' (red) The new risk profile is shown in the table below:

Evaluation:	Low	Moderate	High	Very High	Total
No. of Strategic Risks:	00	00	02	03	05
No. of Corporate Risks:	00	02	07	02	11

- 3.9 Last year, risks were sub categorised as being 'imminent, longer-term and business as usual,' with longer-term challenges reported in detail and a summary only for business as usual risks. Given the amount of change however arising from this specific review, all risks are presented in their full form (Appendices 2-4), to ensure the Board has the opportunity at this time for full scrutiny of the detail.
- 3.10 It is believed that appropriate control measures are in place to prevent and/ or mitigate adverse effects of the risks identified and that any further planned action is appropriate to the level of risk. Where no new actions are defined for a risk, this indicates confidence in the current control measures, acknowledgement that developing new controls would not be cost effective and acceptance that the risk will be tolerated or simply monitored for the time being.
- 3.11 Any actions linked to risks that are prefixed by "RR" exist only for the benefit of reducing or containing the related risks, whereas actions with any other prefix reflect improvement activities that lie within the services' improvement plans that have been linked through to the risk registers for completeness where they have a knock-on benefit to the related risk.

Implications of the Report

1. Financial

Recurring costs associated with the measures in place for each risk are considered proportionate to the level of risk, and new planned actions are also considered to be cost effective.

The financial requirements to support the risks should be met within the budget of each relevant risk owner, nevertheless, any unplanned and unbudgeted cost pressures that arise in relation to any of the risks identified will be subject to review in consultation with the Director of Finance and Resources.

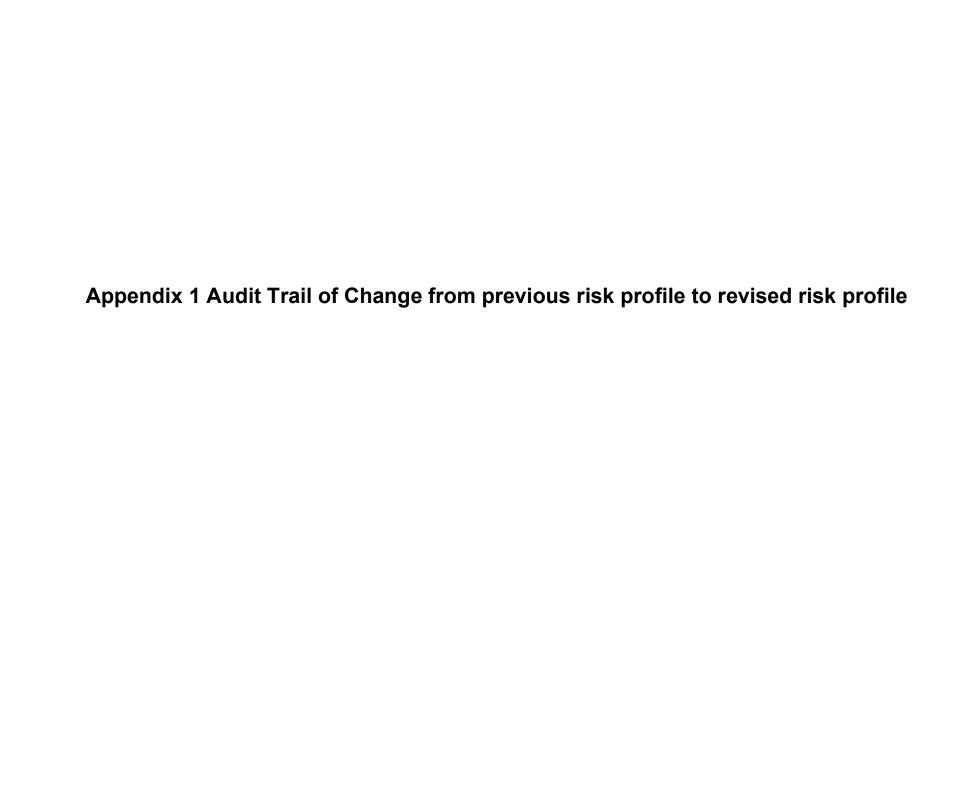
- 2. **HR & Organisational Development** not relevant to report recommendations
- 3. **Community/Council Planning** effective risk management supports the delivery of all community/ council plan outcomes
- 4. **Legal** not relevant to report recommendations
- 5. **Property/Assets** not relevant to report recommendations
- 6. **Information Technology** not relevant to report recommendations

- 7. **Equality & Human Rights** not relevant to report recommendations
- 8. **Health & Safety** not relevant to report recommendations
- 9. **Procurement** not relevant to report recommendations
- 10. **Risk** as per the subject matter of this report
- 11. **Privacy Impact** not relevant to report recommendations
- 12. **Cosla Policy Position** not relevant to report recommendations

13. Climate Risk – not relevant to report recommendations

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Likelihood	1 Insignificant	2 Minor	3 Moderate	4 Major	5 Extreme
5 Almost Certain	msignineant	IVIIIIOI	Moderate	Wajoi	Reducing inequalities in Renfrewshire (S) Financial Sustainability (C)
4 Likely				 Climate, sustainability and adaptability (S) Delivery of Community Empowerment Act (S) Preparing for the longer-term impacts of Brexit (S) 	
3 Possible				 Serious and Organised Crime (S) Insider Threat and Corporate Fraud Cyber Security (C) ICT Resilience Organisation Resilience Expansion of Early Years Provision Liability for Predecessor Organisations (c) Right for Renfrewshire (C) 	 Community Safety & Public Protection (S) Delivery of City Deal (S) Delivery of Future Paisley Programme (S) Cultural infrastructure and regeneration (C) Asset Management (C) Information and Records (C) Governance – Internal Control and Management Oversight (C) Commercial Vehicle & Operator's Licence (C)
2 Unlikely				 Welfare Reform Impacts (C) Administration of Elections (C) 	
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Low (1-3), Moderate (4-9), High (10-16), or Very High (17-25)

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4 Likely				Climate, sustainability and adaptability (S) Delivery of Community Empowerment Act (S) [Remove] Preparing for the longer-term impacts of Brexit (S) [Contextual now for other risks]					
3 Possible			Employee wellbeing (C) [New/ reinstated]	 Serious and Organised Crime (S) [Merge community aspect with CSPP risk, and internal with new 'crime' risk] Insider Threat and Corporate Fraud [Move to the new 'crime' risk] Cyber Security (C) [Merge community aspect with CSPP risk, and internal with new 'crime' risk] ICT Resilience [Merge with Org' Resilience] Organisation Resilience [Include people resilience/ vaccination programme] Expansion of Early Years Provision [Reduce] Liability for Predecessor Organisations [Merge with Financial Sustainability] Right for Renfrewshire (C) [Paused] 	 Community Safety & Public Protection (S) Regulatory functions/ statutory activities (C) [New-imminent] Delivery of City Deal (S) [Contextual now for Economy risk] Delivery of Future Paisley Programme (S) [Contextual now for Economy risk] Cultural infrastructure and regeneration (C) [Contextual now for Economy risk] Asset Management (C) Information and Records (C) [Update to new Information Handling risk] Governance – Internal Control and Management Oversight (C) [Remove] Commercial Vehicle & Operator's Licence (C) 				
2 Unlikely				Welfare Reform Impacts (C) [Remove] Administration of Elections (C) [Increase]					
1 Remote									

Low (1-3), Moderate (4-9),

High (10-16), or

Very High (17-25)

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4 Likely				Climate, sustainability and adaptability (S)	
3 Possible			Employee wellbeing (C)	 Employee wellbeing (C) Protecting internal resources from crime (C) Organisation Resilience (C) 	 Community Safety & Public Protection (S) Regulatory functions/ statutory activities (C) [New - imminent] Asset Management (C) Information Handling (C) [New] Administration of Elections (C) [Increased] Commercial Vehicle & Operator's Licence (C)
2 Unlikely				Expansion of Early Years Provision (C)	,
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Very High (17-25)

Appendix 2: Strategic Risks



Reshaping our place, our economy and our future

Context		Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Risk Control Me	asures	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
The coronavirus pandemic has resulted in significant challenges for economies across the world. The UK and Scottish Governments have already taken decisions to invest £billions to support businesses during the lockdown period and (through the furlough scheme) to retain staff in employment as far as possible. Renfrewshire's economy has well established strengths in transport (including Glasgow Airport), retail (including Braehead), manufacturing (including significant international exports) and construction. All these sectors and their wider supply chains have been impacted by the lockdown restrictions which have reduced supply and led to subdued demand for products and services.		Even before the COVID-19 crisis, the Scottish economy was facing several strategic challenges including climate change, Brexit and lower than average productivity. Likewise, Renfrewshire's economy (as illustrated in the Economic Strategy Sept 2019) was facing challenges such as: growing the working age population; more closely aligning the education and skills provision with the needs of local employers; and achieving a strong and inclusive economy.	Head of Regeneration, Head of Finance	 Economic Recovery Pla Capital investment suc investment in housing assets; supporting Sco prospectus for internal investment by identify developing opportuniti AMIDS and supporting businesses seeking to new markets Taking forward measu counter any education Developing skills internaddress the risks of ur in particular for those making provision for p skill and upskill. 	ch as and heritage of land's tional ing and es such as local export to res to learning loss ventions to nemployment, under 25 and	05	05	25 V.High
Action Codes	New Actions				Assigned To)	Date	Status
SIP Action	Work with partners to deliver the A	dvanced Manufacturing Innovation	on District - Sc	otland (AMIDS)	City Deal Pro	ject Director	31-Mar-2023	
SIP Action	Participate fully in all aspects of the arrangements	new National Manufacturing Ins	titute Scotland	(NMIS) Governance	City Deal Pro	ject Director	31-Dec-2021	
SIP Action	Monitor benefits of City Deal Projec Clyde Waterfront and Renfrew Rive				City Deal Pro	ject Director	31-Mar-2022	
SIP Action	Develop and coordinate the delivery (Previously Paisley North/GAIA Sou		ment opportur	nities for AMIDS South	City Deal Pro	ject Director	31-Mar-2022	
SRR.20.01.01a	Implement the Economic Recovery	Plan			Head of Rege	eneration	31-Mar-2023	
SRR.20.01.01b	Support growth activity in relation t	to key sectors, including manufac	cturing and car	e.	Head of Rege	eneration	31-Mar-2023	
SRR.20.01.01c	Expand our enterprise programmes ups	and our enterprise programmes and business support to increase the number of new local business start-					31-Mar-2021	
SRR.20.01.01d	Increase business sustainability, princentives, business support, training	crease business sustainability, productivity, competitiveness and growth through a revised package of centives, business support, training and advice					31-Mar-2020	
SRR.20.01.01e	Promote international trade and col markets	nnectivity through supporting the	ose businesses	looking to export to new	Economic De Manager	velopment	31-Mar-2023	
SRR.20.01.01f	Work with partners to enhance providentify where new services are req		of business sup	port services and to	Economic De Manager	velopment	31-Mar-2021	

Context		Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
SRR.20.01.02 Unemployment	:	Unemployment is predicted to rise significantly across	Head of Regeneration		05	05	25 <mark>V.High</mark>
some groups of people; the self- contracts – tend impact can accer already exist wit fewer jobs are a	previous recessions demonstrates that beople: those in lower paid jobs; younger employed and those on temporary to be more affected than others. This atuate economic and social disparities that hin economies such as Renfrewshire. When vailable generally, this results in ed above being furthest from accessing	groups, could be three times higher than the Scottish average. Skills and business	 (2) Focus on youth unemployment (3) Community benefit clauses (4) Enhanced and expanded employability services (5) Focused and targeted partnership working to ensure no-one is left behind 				
Action Codes	New Actions	l.		Assigned To		Date	Status
CE SIP Action	Develop and implement a new Inclusive Gr	owth framework and action pl	an	Economic Development Manager		31-Dec-2022	
CE SIP Action	Deliver bespoke employability services targunemployed priority groups (with a key foo work			Economic Development Manager		31-Dec-2022	
CE SIP Action	Reduce skills gaps in the area and respond	to growth sectors		Economic Development Manager		31-Dec-2022	
CE SIP Action	Ensure a strong and active local employability partnerships to support all people to be job ready and to access employment			Economic Development Manager		31-Dec-2022	
SRR.20.01.02a	Deliver the UK Governments Kickstart Scheme and Scottish Governments Young Persons Guarantee to significantly reduce youth unemployment across Renfrewshire						
SRR.20.01.02b	Redundancy Support: Design and deliver n and to support and advise businesses force						

Building strong, safe and resilient communities

Context	Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Risk Control Measures/sources of assurance	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
Context: This is a wide-ranging agenda relating to the protection of vulnerable people, communities, businesses and organisations, encompassing or impacted by the following: Child Protection Adult Protection Adult Protection Trading standards Environmental Health Covid-19 impact Brexit impact Serious and Organised Crime Cyber security Counter Terrorism Human Trafficking Missing Persons Exploitation	There is a risk, should the council not work and communicate effectively with all relevant partners, that people or businesses within the area could come to harm or suffer loss, through a number of areas of activity that we have a duty to address.	Head of Communities and Public Protection and the Chief Social Work Officer	 Daily Tasking being held daily to allow discussion and disposal of issues to relevant body. This early intervention prevents escalation. Daily Tasking has moved to Microsoft Teams platform since lockdown. Establishment of the Renfrewshire Community Protection (Prevent) Steering Group with key partners to tackle strategic issues and vulnerabilities across the community. Effective Information Sharing Protocol for Public Protection supporting well established and supported governance and tactical response arrangements Establishment of the PMAP and DMAP processes to discuss and safeguard potentially vulnerable people from being radicalised or involved in criminality. Development of Notice-Check-Share partnership approach with related training and awareness raising targeted at relevant organisations and employees. Face-to-face contact between workers and children on the child protection register maintained at least once a fortnight and generally more frequently with Continuation of child and adult protection procedures, with meetings enabled digitally where face to face is not possible due to restrictions Linking of strategic groups e.g. Adult Protection Committee, Child Protection Committee and Community Protection Steering Group into the Chief Officers Group. Review and understand legislative requirements and statutory guidance to allow inspections and visits to minimise the potential transmission of Covid-19 within businesses and the community. Assistance with the Test and Protect programme to assist in locating cases and close contacts. Continuation of front-line services for those involved with criminal justice social work demonstrating highest levels of risk or vulnerability, including MAPPA, MARAC and MATAC processes Through national SPOC and national groups, ensure messaging around potential scams and frauds by Serious Organised Crime Groups in relation t	03	05	15 High
Linked Actions	'		Update	Assigned	Due Date	Status
SRR.20.02.03a	Establish a Prevent/ Subgroup to focus o including Human Tra	n key issues	Planning underway to develop sub-group.	Resilience and Deployment Manager		
SRR.20.02.03b	Establish a Disrupt/ Subgroup to focus o including Serious an Crime	n key issues	Planning underway to develop sub-group.	Communities and Regulatory Manager		

Tackling inequality, ensuring opportunities for all

Context		Risk Statement	Owned by	Curr	ent Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
SRR.20.03.04 Reducing inequal The Council plays the best possible so who are experience on health and well vulnerable individintervention and proutes to employn The impact of COV inequalities in terrinealth, poverty are focus on ensuring wellbeing support in a different way, across communities focus is on support low incomes to main and debt manager. NOTE: At the time placed into "Level"	The Council plays a key role in tackling inequalities and providing the best possible services to our communities, particularly those who are experiencing the poorest outcomes. As well as our focus on health and wellbeing, we are also committed to support rulnerable individuals, groups or communities through early intervention and prevention, responding to poverty, supporting outes to employment as well as dealing with welfare reforms. The impact of COVID-19 is likely to have exacerbated existing inequalities in terms of for example educational attainment, health, poverty and mental health. There will be a significant ocus on ensuring that people receive the economic and wellbeing support that is needed, with a real opportunity to work in a different way, and to tackle some of the existing inequalities across communities as we do this. In the short term, significant ocus is on supporting food insecurity and supporting people on own incomes to maximise income and seek advise with income and debt management. NOTE: At the time of assessment, the Council area has been blaced into "Level 3" of the SG Covid Strategic Framework and his could impact on education services New Actions		Head of Policy & Commissioning	(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6)	Tackling Poverty Programme Attainment Challenge Strong partnership working (e.g. Community Planning Partnership (CPP). Advice Partnership, Empowering Communities Forum, Improving Life Chances, CPP Board CPP have identified priorities e.g. Alcohol and Drugs, Social isolation etc. Social Renewal Plan which is being developed through a programme of analysis, research, and engagement. Mechanisms such as the community food network established in response to COVID19 Neighbourhood hubs in place to support local needs on a partnership basis in response to COVID	05	05	25 V.High
Action Codes	New Actions			Assi	gned To		Date	Status
CE SIP Action	Work with communities to develop local actic about most	on plans to tackle the is	sues people care	Strat	tegic Partnerships and Inequalit	ies Manager	31-Mar-2021	
CE SIP Action	Work with local equalities led community gro against the six equalities outcomes	ups and employees to	deliver progress	Strat	tegic Partnerships and Inequalit	ies Manager	31-Mar-2023	
CE SIP Action	Develop and publish Local Child Poverty Action	on Report		Strat	tegic Partnerships and Inequalit	ies Manager	30-Jun-2020	②
CE SIP Action	Promote ethical procurement and work with ouse exploitative labour	our suppliers to ensure	that they do not	Strat Mana	tegic Commercial and Procurem ager	ent	31-Mar-2023	
CE SIP Action	Implement the recommendations of the Renf	rewshire Alcohol and D	rugs Commission	Head	d of Policy & Commissioning		31 Mar 2023	
CE SIP Action	Promote fair working practices including payment of the living wage across the Council's supply base. Include Fair Work as a standard agenda item at supplier review meetings to be considered alongside all other contract management matters			Strategic Commercial and Procurement Manager		ent	31-Mar-2021	
SRR.20.03.04a	Develop the Social Renewal Plan, including a Community Impact Assessment, and reviewing existing work around poverty through work with Poverty Alliance/Get			Head	d of Policy & Commissioning		31-Mar-2023	
	Heard programme of engagement	agn work with roverty i						

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Creating a sustainable Renfrewshire for all to enjoy

Context		Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Risk Control Mea	sures	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
Renfrewshire Coun Emergency on 27 J to establish a cross to explore options recommendations of financial year 20 required are potentially organisations as in partnership with Actions include: ple proactively with otl Renfrewshire carbot taking into account consumption emissionmunities to be the impacts of glob	to Council by the end 019/20. The actions tially complex and need to be supported cross all sectors, and local communities. edging to work hers to make on neutral by 2030, t both production and sions; and assisting come more resilient to	If the Council does not make the most of opportunities associated with climate change, sustainability and adaptability, there is a risk of missed opportunities for maximising savings and the potential for financial penalties.	Head of Policy & Commissioning (Climate Change Working Group)	in Scotland self-evaluathe public sector duties (Scotland) Act 2009 (2) The Carbon Manageme objectives to reduce erincluded in other key docuncil Plan (3) Implementation of the Management Strategy are managed effectivel provision of relevant minformation (4) The Energy Manageme management initiatives investment programme strategy to optimise us reduce overall running consumption levels. Pro	ps public sector organisations ate their performance under sof the Climate Change ent Plan has specific missions and these are documents such as the Corporate Asset ensures that property assets ly and efficiently through the nanagement and performance ent Team: ensure energy s are aligned to the capital e and corporate asset see of property estate and costs and energy omote reductions in energy loyees and residents about ent Unit, sustainability and se considered in the	04	04	16 High
Action Codes	New Actions		'		Assigned To		Date	Status
CE SIP Action		n of Council-wide effort the Climate Emergency		e climate emergency and	Head of Policy & Commiss	sioning	31-Mar-2021	
FARS SIP Action	Continue to meet the Measures	e Scottish Government	s targets and exped	ctation on Carbon Reduction	Head of Property Services	5	31-Mar 2020	
SRR.20.03.05a	including developing		tablishing a Leaders	rgency Working Group, ship Board Subcommittee etc	Head of Policy & Commiss	sioning	31-Mar-2023	
	and identity opportu	made to becare green n	ies to secure green investment funding uncil's Carbon Management Plan commencing in April 2020. Head of Property Services					1

Appendix 3: Corporate Risks



Working together to improve outcomes

In significant short term costs and income losses are not closely monitored and understood, this could destabilise the financial resilience of the council or an extent beyond interest of this could destabilise the financial resilience of the council, resulting in a need for immediate financial resilience of the council, resulting in a need for immediate financial resilience of the council, resulting in a need for immediate impact on service dunder financial resilience of the council, resulting in a need for immediate impact on service dunder financial resilience of the council, resulting in a need for immediate impact on service dunder financial resilience of the council or the council or substitution of the Council or substitution or redirection; including the development of plans to rebuild financial resilience of the Council in the medium term of the council or substitution or redirection; including the development of plans to rebuild financial resilience of the Council in the medium term of the council or substitution or redirection; including the development of plans to rebuild financial resilience of the Council in the medium term of the council or substitution or substitution or substitution or substitution or s	Context	Risk Statement	Owned by Current Controls/ Sources of Assurance	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
	Financial Stability Context: New imminent shorter- term risk for financial stability, recognising the immediate financial situation of the Council (note: the medium to longer-term financial position is captured under financial 'sustainability')	and income losses are not closely monitored and understood, this could destabilise the finances of the council to an extent beyond the financial resilience of the council, resulting in a need for immediate cost control measures, or short term savings which have an immediate impact on service delivery	HRA collated to inform national position across local government has been built on and refined over a number of iterations, and continues to be updated as informed by national developments (2) Cost data gathered has included key partners in Renfrewshire Leisure and the Renfrewshire IJB, as well as smaller bodies and other delivery partners (3) Budget monitoring reports to Policy Boards have been adapted to include costs and income loss specific to the pandemic in order to highlight costs incurred and those expected over the remainder of the current financial year. Budget reports have also been adapted to focus on the forecast year end outturn position as opposed to the historic periodic position (4) Fundamental review of Phase 1 of the Right for Renfrewshire programme has been undertaken in order to recalculate potential cost savings in year and to reprofile agreed savings, the delivery o which has been interrupted by the pandemic (5) Expert treasury management advice sought in relation to the potential for the debt smoothing strategy to deliver any further savings in the short term which would support the Council's immediate financial stability; along with consideration of other technical accounting measures which may be utilised following agreement with the Scottish Government and COSLA (6) Clear analysis of the councils reserves position and potential for reprioritisation or redirection; including the development of plans to rebuild financial resilience of the Council in the medium term (7) Ongoing discussion with CMT to agree the financial consequences of the pandemic for each service and how these will be managed; including the use of financial flexibilities permitted by the Scottish Government in the use of existing allocated resources (8) Review of capital plan and ongoing projects to ensure clear understanding of phasing of potential spend; and to enable the development of criteria for the potential reprioritisation of agreed capital projects.	-		V.High
	Action Codes Link	ced Actions	Latest Note	_	Due Date	Status

Context	Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Controls/ Sources of Assurance	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
Financial Sustainability Financial recovery from Covid19 Rebuilding of financial resilience following unprecedented costs incurred in responding to the pandemic Anticipated reduced income from NDR/CT over the medium term as full economic implications of the pandemic hit local businesses and communities Best value report Recommendation in Best Value report to prioritise how services need to be provided in future to be funded from within available resources. Cost & Income pressures Future grant settlements and the level of funding available. Implications of national economic policy to protect certain services from real terms reductions in funding such as the Police and NHS Future Local Government pay settlements and non- payroll related inflation Demographics & demand pressures, such as an ageing population with increased associated service demands Implications of welfare reform & poverty levels, including growth in Council Tax Reduction caseload. Reductions in council income from fee generating services such as local planning and parking, Implications of the national economic recovery and associated risks/uncertainty in economic factors e.g. interest rates. Liability for predecessor organisations Removal of limitation period for historic child abuse Redress for Survivors (Historical Child Abuse in Care) (Scotland) Bill		Finance	 (1) Revised Medium to Longer Term Financial Planning Strategy reassessed the various risks to the council's short, medium- and longer-term financial sustainability. Initial report to Council on 24 September 2020 outlined the immediate financial concerns and initial plans to address these, utilising full flexibilities available as agreed by the Scottish Government; however as the position continues to develop and evolve close monitoring will be required to ensure Council manages costs in the short term and fully appreciates the longer term consequences of actions taken to address short term risks. Committee reports of this nature cover a wide range of current and future financial and economic factors e.g. Strategic Economic and National Policy Context, Cost Pressures, Pressures on Income and Mitigation Strategies to deal with such uncertainties. (2) A well developed and embedded budget planning, budget setting and budgetary control system is in place throughout the organisation and this informs members and officers regarding financial performance and stability. This facilitates robust and transparent decision making and incorporates an escalation process with regards budget management issues which may arise. (3) In conjunction with the medium to longer term financial outlook and the councils continued "Better Council Change Programme" Renfrewshire Council has been pro-active in planning for the future by identifying and agreeing a planned release of resources. This is required to meet emerging budget pressures and is utilised in conjunction with the Council's long term debt smoothing strategy to support the release of planned savings over a number of years, however the pandemic has interrupted the planned delivery of savings under RFR, so the full programme requires both reassessment and reinvigoration to ensure savings will continue to be generated at scale (4) There is close financial monitoring of the agreed savings to ensure they are delivered within the agreed timescales	05	05	25

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		Capital Investment and Treasury Management Strategy, will be key to ensuring ongoing financial sustainability. Other controls (7) Reports and publications from Audit Scotland in relation to local government's financial outlook, financial planning and related developments & improvements are supplemented with a Renfrewshire context report with both reports being submitted to the Council's Audit Scrutiny & Petitions Board. Audit Scotland representatives have an open invite to these policy board meetings. (8) Utilisation and energy consumption has clarified priority areas for investment in the council's estate and this has supported and informed the council's investment decisions and the formulation of the council's capital & revenue budgets.			

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Context	Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
CRR20.05.03 Organisation Resilience Context: • Council's role as per Civil Contingencies Act. • Responsibilities in relation to Risk Preparedness Statements (national resilience requirements) • Resilience in terms of: • The organisation – being mindful of Scottish Government strategies • Employees • ICT capability • Concurrent risks of EU exit/ end of transition period, Covid-19 and disruptive weather events NOTE: At the time of assessment, the Council area has been placed into "Level 3" of the SG Covid Strategic Framework and this could significantly impact on workforce availability	not sufficiently robust and agile then there is a risk that our resilience will be compromised affecting our ability to deliver services and meet partner expectations	Head of Communities and Public Protection Head of Transformation, HR and OD Head of ICT	 (1) Civil Contingencies and Risk Preparedness Assessments (RPA) Business Continuity Plans Site specific and incident specific planning (linked to the RPAs) Rest centre arrangements updated for Covid implications (2) Organisation resilience Recovery Workstream leading on lessons learned from the pandemic and planning ahead for more effective recovery Offices, Risk assessments and HAZID and revised working practices PPE Group in place (3) Employee resilience HR and OD support for policies, practice and procedure Flu vaccination programme (4) Using a range of methods to validate arrangements as fit for purpose, i.e. exercising and training on scenarios (5) ICT capability Technology solutions are in place which provide secure, agile (any location) connection from managed devices (laptops/desktops/smartphones) to Council on-premise and cloud hosted systems and data. The secure connectivity solutions in place are robust and scalable to accommodate future anticipated requirements. Sufficient failover solutions are in place for on-premise hosted systems which could accommodate a full outage at the Council's primary data centre - enabling the continued provision of critical ICT services from a secondary data centre. Cloud (3rd party) hosted systems are commissioned based on adequate technical solutions providing continuity of service with 99.99% availability. Collaboration and communication solutions are best of breed (Microsoft O365) with additional partner support available if required. The ICT Service is capable of working from any internet connected location (including from home) continuing to provide the required levels of consultation, development and support services. 	04	04	16 High
Action Codes Actions	Latest Note			Assigned To	Due Date	Status
CRR20.05.03a CCS joint 4-Council concurrent risks workshop	to have consideral approaching; and any other time that to review the risks workshop will take to discuss the Coupportunity to sha	ble impact. Additi a period where d at we will be requ s we face and con e place at on 17 uncil's response to are learning and e	onally, the end of the Transition Period between the UK & EU is isruptive weather is more prevalent. It is therefore more likely than at ired to respond to multiple disruptive events at the same time. In order isider responses to them, a CCS joint four Council concurrent risks November 2020. The intention of the workshop is to allow participants of a number of risks being realised at the same time; while providing an experience across a number of Local Authorities.	Civil Contingencies Manager	30-Nov- 2020	

Context		Risk Statement	Owned by	ırrent Risk Control Measure	s/sources of assurance	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
CRR20.05.04 Impact on Regulatory Services due to Covid- 19 and EU withdrawal. Context: Increased demands have been placed on Regulatory Services (Environmental Health and Trading Standards) due to Covid-19 and EU withdrawal. Resource and funding will be required to meet the current demands and ensure that statutory duties are not impacted. Risk Statement Owned by Head of Communities and Funding legislative landscape and rapidly increasing demands on Regulatory staff arising from COVID-19 and the EU Exit on 1 January 2021 that statutory duties may not be able to be met. Linked Actions		Renfrewshire programme. I strong and resilient workfor the retention of skilled and) Additional resource request support the service restruct £250k "unavoidables" to all cover both Brexit and Covid) Working with REHIS, Societ Scotland and University We take on a student in Septen trainees under a new Envirol larger number of EHOs to coworkforce.) Full complement of staff who Covid-19.) Derogation from Food Stand Law Code of Practice to mindue to end October 2020.) Wider staff being trained in Covid-19 or EU withdrawal) Discussions with Glasgow A Glasgow Airport from EU wi	y of Chief Environmental Health Offist of Scotland, Renfrewshire Council aber 2021 as part of the first cohort onmental Health course. This will lead ome through and replace an ageing or are authorised to work on all asped ards Scotland for deviation from the imise inspections on businesses. The functions to release EHO/TSO to fock work at Airport.	pport ce. ess to est for vees to dicers for will of new did to a ects of e Food is is cus on	05	15 High		
Linked Action	s			Update Ass		Assigned To	Due Date	Status
	CRR20.05.04a Training and authorisation of staff for Covid-19 related activity				Communities and Regulatory Manager			
CRR20.05.04b	Sitting on EU withdrawal working group (Imports and Exports) with regards to Export Health Certificates and impacts			33		Communities and Regulatory Manager		

Context	R	Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Risk Control Measures		Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
CRR20.05.06 Information Ha • û working off si to Covid-19 par • û Potential for increased risk of breach due to do working practice • Greater potential poor/varied app to information a records manage	andling efficient demic of data different es all for proaches and ement e e a my	rom home, there is a	Senior Information Risk Owner (SIRO)	 Council's <u>Information-Handling-Policy</u> covers any circumstance Council information, both paper and electronic, needs to be a remotely or removed from Council premises, such as home were an electronic and the property of the paper and electronic, needs to be a remotely or removed from Council premises, such as home were a remotely or removed from Council premises, such as home were employees, with a focus on home working practices. The Council's Records Management Plan Information Management Strategy & good practice promoted IMGG. Revised ICT Acceptable Use Policy, modernised to cover new working (Board approval to be sought Nov 2020) Renewed guidance on O365 sharing/collaboration technologic throughout lockdown Implementation of increased Cyber Security controls (SafeLin Attachments) on O365 platform to protect emails and attachmalicious code Lockdown in 2020 and increased working from home has sign reduced paper printing and also staff mobility with both phys electronic information leading to reduced risk of physical loss 	03	05	15 High	
Action Codes	New Actions Assigned To			Date	Status			
CRR20.05.06a	Production of user-friendly guidance on secure destruction and disposal of information whilst working off-site. Guidance on naming conventions for records.					ger	31-Oct- 2020	
CRR20.05.06b		from SIRO/DPO to all stange to relevant policies and		from start of lockdown reinforcing key messages and further	Data Protection	on Officer	31-Oct- 2020	②
CRR20.05.06c	Factsheet information		nagement, inc	3 3	Enterprise Ard Manager	chitect	31-Oct- 2020	
CRR20.05.06d	Update of IMGG Terms of Reference to reflect new ways of working and corporate governance group to which relevant Working Groups (Data Pr Information Security Groups)			orking Groups (Data Protection, Records Management and	Data Protection Officer; Enterprise Architect Manager		30-Nov- 2020	
CRR20.05.06e	Further im malicious	nplementation of O365 se websites.	Enterprise Architect Manager		30-Apr- 2021			
CRR20.05.06f	Cyber Sec	curity training – Phishing	campaign to r		Enterprise Ard Manager	chitect	31-Dec- 2020	

Context	Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
2021 and the potential for by-elections	Administering elections in the context of a global pandemic brings specific challenges that if not carefully managed could impact on the ability to meet deadlines and provide a covid-safe environment.	Management	 Guidance from the Electoral Management Board for Scotland to be followed closely Contingency Management Packs developed as standard for all electoral events Continual collaboration between Elections Management Team, Civil Contingencies, Risk Management and Health and Safety Teams to anticipate and plan for required mitigations Dynamic Risk Assessment where required Capacity of supply chain monitored 	03	05	15 High
Action Codes Linked Actions To be determined as legislative changes of		Latest Note		Assigned To	Date	Status

To be determined as legislative changes emerge

Context	Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
by Environment & Infrastructure	l .	Head of Operations and Infrastructure	Governance (1) Training and Compliance Officer in post monitoring compliance performance and linking to inspection activity (2) Monitoring and tracking of vehicle servicing (3) Tachograph analysis system ensuring monitoring and compliance of driving staff (4) Operator Licencing Awareness Training (OLAT) conducted for all operational service managers (5) Full compliance audit report focusing on Operator Licence and Compliance completed in 2019 by Freight Transport Association (FTA) (6) Regular monitoring of Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency (DVSA) updates and controls (7) Quarterly attendance at Logistics UK (formerly FTA) and APSE Transport boards Operational (8) Reduction in average age of Council Fleet (9) Workshop equipment and tooling improvements	03	05	15 High
Action Codes Linked Actions		Latest Note		Assigned To	Date	Status
Monitoring only						

Context	Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
CRR20.05.09 Protecting internal resources from crime Cyber threats have increased over the past decade and continue to rise and as a Government agency, the public sector is specifically targeted by cyber criminals. The ransomware attack of 2017 that brought the NHS to its knees is a prime example of the risk and impact. Traditional security avoidance and prevention strategies may no longer be adequate for stopping advanced persistent attacks. Renfrewshire Council is focused on ensuring cyber risk is appropriately managed in a way that supports innovative working and the safety and security of council systems and information. Fraudsters, both organised and opportunistic will take attempt to gain access to benefits, reliefs and government stimulus packages, put in place to support individuals and business during the response to Covid 19, where they have no entitlement.	Council resources (employees, financial and information resource) need to be protected from organised criminals, insider threats and fraudsters. Should cyber security attacks target the council internet, IT network or data communications there is a risk of website defacement; loss of control, integrity or availability of IT resources; loss of confidential data and information assets; and a failure in compliance obligations. Fraudsters seek to gain advantage from council resources to which they are not entitled. Should measures to deter and detect these attacks not be implemented and monitored effectively there would be increased threat to resources and security of information.	Chief Auditor	 Scottish Government Cyber Resilience Strategy and Public Action Plan IT security scanning and filtering technologies Backup copies of data Incident Management & Response plans Independent IT Health Checks Encrypted devices Encrypted internet based connection to O365 services User access controls including Active Directory services, certificates, passwords, two factor authentication, rights management rules and conditional access rules. Regular review of risk Evolving deployment of technologies to increase protection and decrease risk over time PSN and Cyber Essentials compliance accreditations Alignment to Scottish Digital Office Cyber Resilience program A corporate counter fraud team is in place, under the management of internal audit, to raise awareness of threats and create an antifraud culture, assist with prevention, detect and investigate cases, share information and refer cases to other agencies. Appropriate ICT controls are in place to prevent and detect information assets. Supported by a dedicated Cyber Security officer and an Information Security Group to advise on risk control measures. Employee vetting checks are in place for all new employees. 	03	04	12 High
Linked Actions				Assigned To	Due Date	Status
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Context	Risk Statement	Owned by	Current Risk Co	ntrol Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Evaluation
Context: •Council duty to ensure employees are safe and healthy whilst working (mental and physical wellbeing). •Heightened risk of isolation while working at home •Increase in risk from sedentary working •Increased impact on thermal comfort for employees on site where ventilation required to be increased	be alert to the impact of changes on colleagues as we adapt to different ways of working. Measures need to support mental and physical wellbeing or there could be an impact on wellbeing, attendance and	CMT/ Recovery Workstream Head of Transformation, HR and OD	ensure key appropriate timely acces support thei (2) Variety of cl dissemination (3) Targeted ca requirement (4) Health promyaccinations (5) Occupation support (6) Organisation returning to	n with HR/OD and Comms to messages are issued at times, so that employees have is to information and services to rhealth and wellbeing nannels used for access to/on of information. Impaigns in use, such as DSE is and mental wellbeing notions including for example fluthealth and employee counselling and Recovery Group addressing work matters such as increased thermal comfort	03	03	09 <mark>Moderate</mark>
Linked Actions					Assigned To	Due Date	Status
Monitoring only							

Evaluation Context **Risk Statement** Owned by **Current Risk Control Measures** Likelihood **Impact** CRR20.05.11 The expansion of early Head of Quality and (1) Programme Board meets every six weeks to review current 02 04 80 **Expansion of** years will see an Curriculum risks and issues. **Moderate Early Years** increase in hours from (2) Tendering documents will set out expected quality standards **Provision** 600 to 1140 per year for to ensure all partner agencies are aware and able to comply. eligible children, with (3) Ongoing programme of engagement with independent flexible options for providers. parents. This brings (4) Promotion of early learning and childcare as a career option. some challenges (5) Professional learning and development for local authority and around staffing, providers in place. (6) Communications plan for all stakeholders in place. infrastructure, (7) Tracking of data relating to phasing, demand for places and independent provision, hard and soft FM for the capacity of providers. council. (8) Increased hourly rate to providers and commitment to delivering 1140 in funded providers settings despite the delay The impact of Covid on infrastructure timeline in the legislative requirement to provide 1140 hours. (9) Procurement routes which minimise our dependency on any and risk around independent and third one particular approach (SEMP, negotiated price with internal sector sustainability is DLO, measured term contracts (10)Project programme for infrastructure fully developed and currently unknown. revised milestones identified in light of Covid. (11)Scottish Government has removed the original implementation deadline due to unavoidable delays arising from Covid-19 and has not provided a revised date. **Action Codes** Linked Actions Assigned To **Due Date** Status

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Appendix 4: Significant Service Risks

Chief Executive Services

All significant service risks are reflected in strategic or corporate risks. Other service risks are either low or moderate in evaluation

Children's Services

All significant service risks are reflected in strategic or corporate risks. Other service risks are either low or moderate in evaluation

Communities, Housing & Planning Services

All significant service risks are reflected in strategic or corporate risks. Other service risks are either low or moderate in evaluation

Environment & Infrastructure Services

All significant service risks are reflected in strategic or corporate risks. Other service risks are either low or moderate in evaluation

Finance & Resources Services

All significant service risks are reflected in strategic or corporate risks. Other service risks are either low or moderate in evaluation