

Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council

CABINET

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & CORPORATE SERVICES – HYWEL JENKINS

Matter for monitoring

Wards Affected: All

Operational Risk Register

Purpose of report

To present for monitoring the operational risk register covering the various services within the Finance and Corporate Services Directorate.

Executive Summary

The Council's risk management policy and strategic risk register were approved by Cabinet on the 27th June 2018. Both have undergone a thorough review with input from all senior managers and Wales Audit Office (WAO).

In line with the Policy, it was decided that the relevant operational risk register is forwarded to the relevant Cabinet and Scrutiny Committee for review. Attached at Appendix 1 is the relevant operational risks for Corporate Services.

Background

In 2016 it was identified that the Council needed to improve its Risk Management arrangements and we worked with the WAO to seek best practice and assurance on the work that was being undertaken to improve the risk register. As a result of this work a decision was taken to make significant changes to the format, style and content of the risk register.

In order to assist in making those changes, specialist training was commissioned for selected officers from our insurance advisors Marsh

Ltd and a new performance management/risk management IT system was purchased that would enable development of a new register and reporting function for risk management.

Following the feedback from WAO and the training from Marsh, all Directors, Heads of Service and officers with responsibility for risk were tasked with reviewing and identifying all risks and classify as either strategic risks or operational risks. The operational risk register for Finance and Corporate Services is attached as Appendix 1.

Financial Impact

There are no specific financial implications arising from adopting this report. However members will need to give careful consideration as to the allocation of resources to manage the identified risks.

Equality impact assessment

There are no specific equality impacts associated with this report. The risks set out in the risk register are actively managed by officers.

Workforce impacts

There are no workforce impacts associated with this report.

Legal impacts

There are no legal impacts associated with this report.

Risk management

This report sets out the operational risks for Corporate Services managed by the Council in line with the Risk Management Policy. The risks are actively monitored and managed by officers and reported 6 monthly to members.

Consultation

There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

Recommendation

It is recommended that members note the contents of the operational risk register for Corporate Services.

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Operational Risk Register

List of background papers

Cabinet Reports of 27th June 2018 – Risk Management Policy

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