

Safest People, Safest Places

Audit and Finance Committee

30 September 2021

Corporate Risk Register – Position at 31 August 2021

Report of Deputy Chief Executive

Purpose of Report

1. To provide details of the Corporate Risk Register as at 31 August 2021.

Background

2. The Service actively manages risks at all levels of the organisation. The Authority's Risk Management Strategy sets out the framework for the reporting of risks and mitigating actions to members of the Fire Authority. This process also enables members to consider any risks that they have identified and their impact on the Authority.

Corporate Risk Register

- 3. The corporate risk register is a dynamic document that provides a summary of the high-level risks facing the Service. Officers review the risks facing the Service on an on-going basis as part of the overall control framework within individual sections. The Service Management Team and the Service Leadership Team also scrutinise risks monthly to ensure a corporate and cross cutting approach.
- 4. There were ten risks on the corporate risk register on 31 August 2021. The register shows the original risk that has been identified, the gross risk score and the residual risk score after mitigating actions. A copy of the corporate risk register is attached.

Closed Risks

No risks were closed during the period.

New Risks

SLT1/21 Implications arising from the White Paper on Public Service Reform

The White paper has not yet been released as draft and may be revised based on consultation. Close monitoring over the coming months will help the service understand more about the white paper and the potential impact which will allow for appropriate mitigating strategies and communications to be prepared in advance.

Risks Removed from the Corporate Register

CR217 Implications caused by the UK Exit from the European Union post exit deal.

This risk has been removed from the Corporate Risk register and will continue to be monitored as a section risk.

SLT02 Change of governance of CDDFRS from a combined fire authority to that of a Police and Crime Commissioner.

This risk has been removed from the Corporate Risk register and replaced with Risk SLT1/21 – Implications arising from the White Paper.

SLT01 Absence of significant numbers of staff leading to the inability to deliver statutory duties as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

This risk has been removed from the Corporate Risk register and will continue to be monitored as a section risk.

Risks that have increased in severity

ICT08 Failure to meet the Emergency services Mobile communications Programme (ESMCP) local transition schedule, or other risks presented from undertaking the transition to ESN.

The score on this risk has been increased to reflect the fact that the full business case is indicating that the Service may be exposed to higher costs than is currently the case.

Risks that have reduced in severity

No risks reduced in severity during the period.

Recommendations

- 6. Members are requested to:
 - (i) Consider the Corporate Risk Register Report attached.
 - (ii) <u>Advise</u> of any risks that may impact on the Service and Authority that are not shown in the Corporate Risk Register.