

MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY			
MEETING OF THE:	AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE		
DATE:	9 JUNE 2016	REPORT NO:	CFO/045/16
PRESENTING OFFICER	DEPUTY CHIEF FIRE OFFICER		
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TITLE OF REPORT:	CORPORATE RISK REGISTER UPDATE NOV-MARCH 2016		

APPENDICES:	APPENDIX A: CORPORATE RISK REGISTER 2015/16
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Purpose of Report

1. To inform Members of the current risks contained within the Corporate Risk Register, the status of the risks and associated control measures - including reference to any new risks added to the Register or any risks that no longer apply and can be removed.

Recommendation

2. That Members approve the updated Corporate Risk Register.

Introduction and Background

3. It is good practice to regularly review the internal and external risks to the ongoing delivery of service by the Authority.
4. To that end, a Corporate Risk Register has been produced which focusses on the Mission and Aims of the Authority and aligns each risk to a specific aim. The resultant risks have been scored against the original risk and re-scored following mitigation. The purpose of this report is to ask Members to review the updated register to consider any implications for the Authority.

March 2016 Update

5. In line with the requirements of the National Framework 2012 for Fire and Rescue Services a supplement to the existing Integrated Risk Management Plan 2013/15 has been approved by the Authority to cover the two year period 2015/17. This addresses MFRA's commitment to meeting its legal duties and statutory obligations.
6. In March 2016 risk owners were asked to review their risks for the new financial year 2016/17. They were asked to assess if risks assigned to them are still

relevant and current, if the mitigation put in place is still adequate and if risk scores are still appropriate. This review is repeated each time the register is updated.

7. Members are asked to note the risk control measures implemented for the following risks;
 - Risk 1.1 Insufficient staff to maintain current levels of operational planning, training and management of intelligence – there are currently no problems with flexible working patterns and retained resilience is in place for operational staff. Resilience exists within other departments where staff will refocus on priority work streams in the event of insufficient staffing
 - Risk 2.6 Potential impact if MFRA does not build on relationship with PCC on Community Risk Management (CRM) working and partnerships. CRM are fully engaged with the Collaboration Project investigating ways of working with the Police to impact on common priorities.
 - Risk 3.1 Loss of strategic assets – Fire Control fall back arrangements have been established with Surrey Fire and Rescue Service in addition to the secondary control at the Training and Development Academy.
 - Risk 6 Technology Risks – a number of changes have been made to the identified Corporate Risks and their impact to better reflect the current situation.
 - Risk 6.3 Infrastructure sharing with partners. Security from virus and hacking, loss of data (laptops, CD's, etc.) the impact from this risk has been amended to “data compromised, loss of data, complaints, legal actions, fines”. To mitigate this risk ICT and the Senior Information Risk Owner works closely together with appropriate guidance issued to staff.
 - Risk 6.6 The Head of ICT and Director of Strategy and Performance believe that the replacement of the Government Protective Marking Scheme with the Government Security Classifications has removed this risk as no guidance has been given by Government on the Business Impact Levels associated with the GSC. The Business Impact Levels are what previously limited the storage of RESTRICTED information on the network. Members are asked to consider closing this risk.

Equality and Diversity Implications

8. There are no equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

Staff Implications

9. There are no specific staff implications arising from this report

Legal Implications

10. There are no specific legal implications arising from this report.

Financial Implications & Value for Money

11. Management of Corporate Risk and the application of suitable mitigation strategies being in place, affords the Authority security that should a risk become an issue then suitable remedies are in place to mitigate any impact.

Risk Management, Health & Safety, and Environmental Implications

12. The assessment and mitigation of risk is essential in ensuring a safe working environment for all MFRA employees and its agents and consideration of its actions on the environment is paramount.

Contribution to Our Mission: *Safer Stronger Communities – Safe Effective Firefighters*

13. Knowledge of and response to a risk occurring is an essential component of ensuring that the Authority continues to deliver an effective and efficient service to the communities of Merseyside.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

CFO/005/16 Corporate Risk Register update July-Oct 2015

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

MFRA Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority

MFRS Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service