

Aims: - 1) Excellent Operational Preparedness 2) Excellent Operational Response 3) Excellent Prevention & Protection 4) Excellent People

April 2019 - March 2020

October 2019 to March 2020 update

MFRA RISK MATRIX

				Increasing Likelihood A		
Increasing	g Impact B	1	2	3	4	5
		Remote	Unlikely	Possible	Likely	Frequent
1	Slight	Manage for continuous improvement				
2	Minor					Develop Reduction measures
3	Significant			Develop Reduction measures	Compulsory Risk reduction	
4	Major		Develop Reduction measures	Compulsory Risk reduction		
5	Massive	Develop Reduction measures	Compulsory Risk reduction			

Introduction

All organisations face risks that can impact on their operations, by establishing a systematic approach to identifying, assessing, and managing risk, Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority (MFRA) intends to continually improve the organisation's governance, increase accountability and enhance overall performance.

The Director of Strategy and Performance reports directly to the Chief Fire Officer on matters relating to corporate risk management and maintains this risk register in collaboration with other members of the Strategic Leadership Team (SLT).

As part of this process the organisation considers the level and type of risk the Authority will accept while conducting its business and puts in place measures to reduce or eliminate that risk. This includes a careful evaluation of how risks affect the Authority's ability to achieve its Mission and Aims and its appetite for taking those risks.

The following categories of risk appetite are considered in relation to each identified Strategic Corporate Risk within this register:

- Low The level of risk will not substantially impede the ability to achieve MFRA's Mission and Aims. Controls are prudently designed and effective.
- **Moderate** The level of risk may delay or disrupt achievement of MFRA's Mission and Aims. Controls are adequately designed and are generally effective.
- High The level of risk will significantly impede the ability to achieve MFRA's Mission and Aims. Controls may be inadequately designed
 or ineffective.

Risk Appetite by Strategic Corporate Risk Category

MFRA has an overall conservative risk appetite. The organisation will act in accordance with this to achieve strategic objectives and deliver high quality fire and rescue services to the people of Merseyside within a framework of reducing budget provision.

MFRA will employ sound risk management principles, transparent decision-making and effective communication to prioritise risk. The Authority manages seven strategic corporate risk categories to effectively supervise and ensure a safe and effective fire and rescue service that delivers prevention, protection and response services to Merseyside and beyond. MFRA has a low appetite for most types of risk (see table below), being aware of the need to ensure the prudent use of public money, maintain staff safety and deliver reliable and effective services.

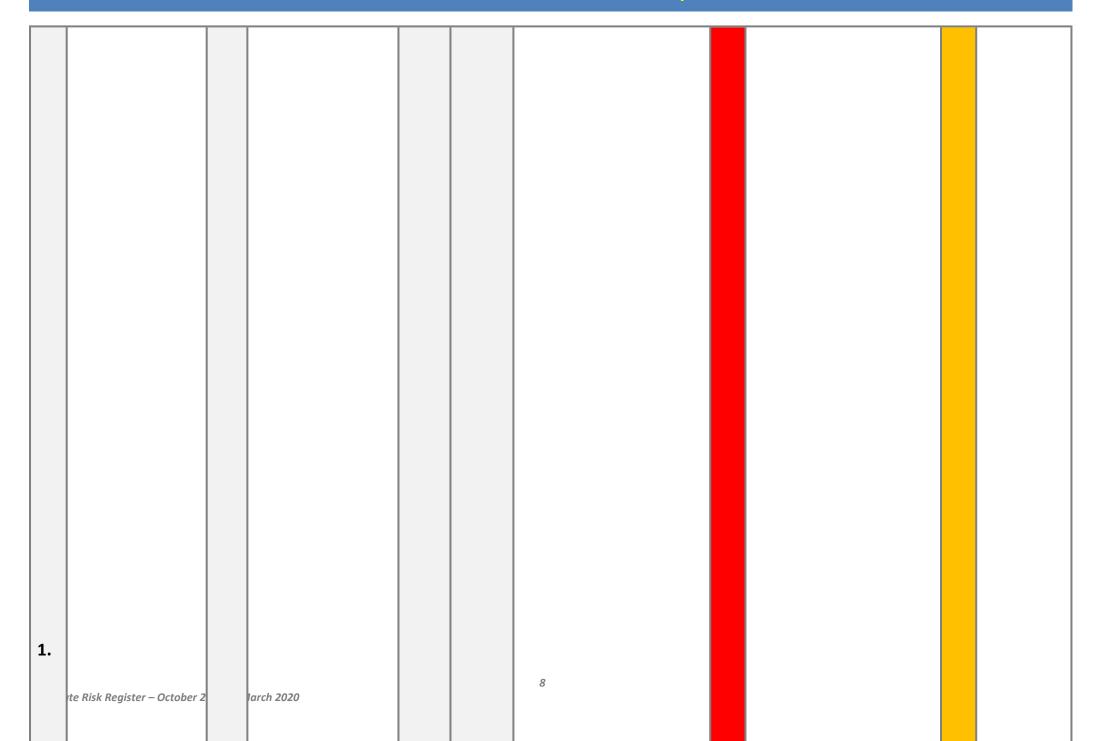
Corporate Risk Category	Risk Appetite	Explanation
Budget and financial	Low	The appetite for Budget and financial risk is low. MFRA will exercise prudent management of its financial resources to achieve its mission. MFRA will maintain strong internal controls and ensure compliance with applicable legislation and accounting standards. MFRA will make prudent decisions to mitigate the financial impact of internal and external factors that affect it.
Legal and legislative	Low	The appetite for Legal and legislative risk is low. MFRA will always endeavour to comply with the laws that govern its activity and adopt appropriate governance processes. MFRA has no risk appetite for non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
Loss of strategic sites and assets	Moderate	The appetite for risk in relation to strategic sites and assets is moderate. Risk appetite in relation to vehicles and equipment is low, as safety and usability must be achieved through the use of detailed specifications of requirements. Risk appetite in relation to FRS sites (e.g. for a new fires station) is higher, as it is acknowledged the options are more limited and the end result in relation to the provision of a new fire station is not entirely predictable at the beginning of the process.
Environmental and Political	Moderate	The appetite for risk in relation to environmental and political matters is moderate. MFRA acknowledges that activity in relation to collaborative work with partners, for example, is not entirely predictable and some risks will be taken whilst attempting to improve service delivery or make savings through the use of new arrangements.
Loss of key staff	Moderate	The appetite for risk in relation to loss of key staff is moderate. MFRA recognises that it may need to adopt new and untried ways of working to deliver its services during periods of industrial action or reductions in the size of the workforce.
Technology	Low	The appetite for Technology risk is low. Information systems must support core MFRA functions with adequate capability, capacity, resiliency, and security from internal and external threats. The organisation relies on a mobile and technologically dependent workforce to carry out its Mission.
Procurement	Low	The appetite for Procurement risk is low. MFRA is bound by legislation and regulations that are designed to ensure that public finance is spent appropriately. As a result processes are designed to ensure that all procurement activity is properly governed and carried out in a way that ensures compliance.

	Mission :- Safer Stronger Communities: Safe Effective Fire-fighters												
RISK	STRATEGIC CORPORATE RISK	RISK No.	SPECIFIC CORPORATE RISKS	SUB RISK No.	AIMS AFFECTED	IMPACT	RISK	MITIGATION	MITIGATE D SCORE	RISK/ACTION OWNER			
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Γ				Insufficient staff to			Increased risk to all MFRS staff		Resilience exists within		
- 1				maintain current			safety - increased numbers of		departments to task staff with		
- 1			1.1	levels of operational	1.1.1	1,2,3,4	injuries.	15	priority work steams in the	12	
- 1				planning, training and			,		event of insufficient staffing		AM
- 1				management of					becoming a concern. Business		Operational
- 1				intelligence					Continuity Plans in place.		Preparedness
- 1				intelligence					Continuity Flans III place.		
- 1									April-Sep Update		
- 1									GM Training constantly		
- 1									reviews staffing levels at TDA		
- 1									and has explored different		
- 1									pilot delivery models		
- 1									(associate tutor) to ensure		
- 1									MFRA continue to deliver		
- 1									core training including recruit		
- 1									training. Additional time has		
- 1		Budget							been spent to work with Time		
- 1	1.	/Financial Risks							and Resource Management to		
		·							maximise staff / course ratio		
									set against the LPI.s		
									set against the Lri.s		
									Improvements to recording		
									on Operational Performance		
									System allows service		
- 1									managers to maximise		
- 1									training for staff and prevent		
- 1									duplication of efforts.		
- 1									Additional training is provided		
- 1									at a local level (SPA & Learn		
- 1									pro) to ensure staff have		
									underpinning knowledge		
									across a range of skills and		
									competencies.		
									competencies.		
- 1									Workshops Manager		
- 1									currently working with HR to		
									Carrently working with HK to		
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					address staffing issues within	
					Workshops this has been	
					raised at SLT and Ops Board	
					for immediate action	
					SLT approved and	
					implemented a wage rise for	
					the skilled workshop staff but	
					we are still unable to recruit	
1.	Budget/Financial				staff to bring the established	
- .	_				numbers required.	
	Risks				·	
					Key roles are currently being	
					recruited for within the	
					Operational Planning	
					Department. This has	
					involved close liaison with	
					POD to ensure timeframes	
					are kept to a minimum.	
					Currently a number of work	
					streams within OPRT and	
					Business Continuity have	
					been delayed due to staffing	
					shortfalls in particular Watch	
					Manager posts x 2, OPRT	
					support and BC Officer. It is	
					anticipated these will be	
					resolved by November 2019	
					,	
					Oct-Mar Update	
					GM Training – further staff	
					have been recruited into the	
					TDA and instructor	
					qualifications have been	
					programmed for the next 6	
					months to improve resilience	
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					across the departments. This is under constant review to ensure succession plans are in place for any changes over the coming months.	
1.	Budget/Financial Risks					
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		1.1.2	1,2,3,4	increased risk of property loss	12		10	
		1.1.3	1,2,3,4	Reducing ability to respond or maintain competent workforce.	15	The Authority continues to utilise the most agile working systems to ensure a high level of service delivery and response, integrated with appropriate skill audits and training delivery to ensure a high level of competence in all staff	10	Director of POD
						April-Sep Update The implementation of the Hybrid duty system is currently ongoing which will culminate in additional posts and Appliance availability being built into the establishment		
						Oct-Mar Update Plan remains effective – no further update		
		1.1.4	1,2,3,4	Reduced ability to maintain FF safety	15	AM Response Maintenance of competency is managed on station through SPA and the training planner for all operational staff. TRM staff utilise VAH to	10	AM Operational Response/ Preparedness

							ensure appliances are fully		
							staffed.		
							April-Sep Update		
							No change this period		
							Oct-Mar Update		
Budget/Financial							Plan remains effective for		
Risks							business as usual.		
							Maintenance of FF Safety		
							presents a significant uplift in		
							risk due to the COVID-19		
							Pandemic. As part of the		
							business continuity structure		
							and arrangements that have		
							been set in place a significant amount of work is ongoing to		
							address this challenge.		
							Progress to date includes a		
							the production of a number		
							of temporary COVID-19		
							Service Instructions including		
							Operational Safety		
							Precautions, Safe working on		
							station and station		
							degradation plans. The		
							COVID-19 Operations Cell		
							continually monitors FF safety		
							and reacts rapidly to address		
							emerging risk.		
	1.2	Insufficient staff to	1.2.1	1,2,3,4	Increased fires, deaths and		MFRA continues to deliver its		
		maintain current			injuries		Home Safety Strategy, our		
		prevention and					focus is targeted at the over		
		protection work.				15	65's and those who are most	10	
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Inability to maintain performance (e.g. Care Act) Political Risk – failure to meet statutory duty	/	vulnerable, we have seen advocate performance lift by over 45% this past year and we continue to monitor ADFs and Fire Fatalities through PMG.	AM Community Risk Management
Community Safety Risk – failure to address risks to community & Firefighters		The impact of the Grenfell Tower Fire is yet to be fully understood but there is the likelihood of increased Protection teams as such a review is underway	
		April-Sep Update The Protection 2020 Plan has continued to recruit effectively into Protection vacancies.	
		Additional resources are being made available to Protection and a review has commenced to consider a new structure with greater resilience for the retention of Protection competence within MFRA.	
		Oct-Apr Update The re-structure of the Protection and Prevention departments has allowed for the creation of a post that focuses on the impact of Grenfell Tower Inquiry, this	

								includes training, service delivery and protection activity. Group Manager Protection now in post. Initial assessment made of Grenfell Inquiry which will be used to identify areas of MFRS where work will be needed to meet the Inquiry recommendations. Revised Prevention Policy and strategies produced for Community Safety and Home Safety including EIA. Reduced ASB and ADF figures reported via PMG. March outcomes compromised as a result of COVID 19 restrictions.		
1.	Budget/Financial Risks	1.3	Insufficient FF's to maintain current levels of response and current number of fire stations	1.3.1	1,2,3,4	Increased risk of property loss in the community	15	MFRA undertakes continual review, analysis and testing of necessary operational response changes resulting from budget reductions to ensure effectiveness against Authority response standards. April-Sep Update No change this period	10	AM Operational Response

				Oct-Mar Update For business as usual - No change in risk — risk is off-set by the recruitment reserve which remains on track for FF recruitment. Given the COVID-19 pandemic outbreak, significant work has been completed		
1.3.2	1,2,3,4	Increased fires, deaths and injuries	15	response changes resulting from budget reductions to ensure effectiveness against Authority response standards. April-Sep Update No change this period Oct-Mar Update Medium to long-term risk is off-set by the recruitment reserve which remains on track for FF recruitment. The COVID-19 Operational Degradation Plans sets out how resources will be managed in order to maintain	10	AM Operational Response
				an effective response standard to meet our performance standard for life risk incidents in respect of		

1.	Budget/Financial Risks	1.4	Pay increases-impact on ability to maintain a balanced budget	1.4.1	1,2,3,4	The current budget assumes 2019/20 pay awards will be settled at an increase of 2%. Each additional 1% increase in pay equates to approximately £0.3m for firefighters and £0.1m for other staff.	9	staff absence down to the reasonable worst-case scenario. The Authority has established a £0.700m inflation reserve to meet any unforeseen inflationary pressures or costs. April-Sep Update- Treasurer The 2019/20 Pay awards have been settled in line with the assumptions in the current financial plan, 2%. Oct-Mar Update SEPTEMBER UPDATE REMOVED THE RISK FROM 2019/2020 as pay awards for the year have been settled.	0	Treasurer
		1.5	Insufficient support staff to maintain services to front line and maintain good governance.	1.5.1	1,2,3,4	Reduced ability to maintain fleet, PPE, pay FF's and maintain the buildings.	15	Processes are redesigned when cuts to staffing are made Stopping performing specific activities considered Remaining staff are trained in processes/services that are still required April-Sep Update SLT have considered whether additional support staff are required to fulfil statutory	6	SLT

						and other obligations, but will await the outcome of the budget settlement before considering this further. Oct-Mar Update A prompt and effective response to the COVID 19 pandemic, which could have increased the risk in his area, meant that the majority of services have continued to operate effectively throughout this period.		
1.	Budget/Financial Risks	1.7	Loss of National Resilience funding from Home Office	Loss of operational response/service/training/lack of equipment/vehicles not maintained.	15	Utilising MFRS resources to fulfil Role and responsibilities. Budget constantly reviewed with Home Office Colleagues April to Sep update The current grant agreement between Home Office and MFRA extends until the end of March 2021. This provides a level of reassurance in respect of Home Offices commitment to fund National Resilience under Lead Authority arrangements in the medium term. Oct-Mar Update	12	AM National Resilience

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						Periodic budget management		
						meetings continue between		
						MFRS finance and Home		
						Office colleagues. Home		
						Office funding is currently		
						secured until 2022		
		1.10	"McCloud" - The	Any remedy / compensation	12	As part of the review of	8	Director of
			decisions of the Court	awarded by the Tribunal may		current reserves during		Finance / CFO
			of Appeal in the	have a significant financial		2019/20 the Director of		/ SLT
			Sargeant/McCloud	impact on the Authority both		Finance will look to increase		
			(McCloud) cases have	in terms retrospective		the General Reserve and		
			ruled that the	compensation payments for		create a specific reserve for		
			transitional	retired firefighters and		McCloud/Pension grant as		
			protections afforded	current employees (who may		part of a strategy to allow the		
			to older members	transfer back from FPS 2015		Authority time to deal with		
			when the Firefighter	to FPS 1992 and therefore the		any permanent costs		
			Pension Scheme(s),	employer rate would increase		associated with the relevant		
			FPS, and Local	from 28.8% to 37.3%). At this		outcome of the final remedy.		
			Government Pension	point in time both the remedy		ŕ		
			Scheme, LGPS,	and any Government funding		The Authority is currently		
			constituted unlawful	is unknown, or is likely to be		running 2 to 3 firefighter		
			age discrimination. On	known before 2020/21.		recruitment courses a year to		
			27th June 2019 the	,		ensure sufficient firefighter		
			Supreme Court denied	In addition to the financial		numbers. The plan will be		
			the Government	impact the Authority may lose		kept under review by the		
			permission to appeal	a significant number of		Workforce group in light of		
			this decision.	firefighters (including senior		any announcements over the		
				staff) earlier than expected if		McCloud case.		
				staff revert back to a pension				
				scheme (FPS 1992) with a		Oct-Mar Update		
				potential retirement age of		Smoothing Reserve Increased		
				50.		from £0.5m to £2.0m and		
						General Reserve by +£1.0m to		
						£3.0m to provide a temporary		
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						resource to cover any MFRS		

CORPORATE RISK REGISTER 2019/20														
		2020/2021. The future Budget process from 2021/2022 will identify permanent budget adjustments IF required.												

Aims: 1) Excellent Operation	The impact of unfavourable trade deals with the EU following UK exit in March 2019 Onal Preparedness. 2) Exce	1.9.1 1,2,3,4		Procurement are contacting critical suppliers to seek details of action they will take to maintain supplies post Brexit, whatever the agreement. April-Sep Update Work continues at a national level via the NFCC (eg. Recent assessment of risk re fuel supply). At a local level, contract management with supply chain continues. It is not possible to obtain guarantees from suppliers re continuity of supply as they are also dealing with high levels of uncertainty. Oct-Mar Update Procurement have contacted all key suppliers and are in receipt of responses which outline how these suppliers are working to ensure continuity of supply. At the current time, no reports of supply chain issues are attributable to Brexit.	15 People	Director of Legal, Procurement & Democratic Services
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2.	Legal & Legislative Risks	2.1	Non-compliance with the National Framework	2.1.1	1,2,3	Damage to MFRS reputation. Impact on public and partner goodwill.	15	The IRMP process is thorough and consulted on widely. SWOT and PESTEL activities are carried out Community risks are assessed and strategies and processes adopted to deal with them in the Home Safety Strategy	8	SLT
				2.1.2	1,2,3	Inability to respond to major national resilience incidents	15	Data is analysed and considered April-Sep Update	8	SLT
				2.1.3	1,2,3	Increased fires, deaths and injuries	15	An IRMP planning group has been set up this year to ensure that compliance with the IRMP requirements in the National Framework is maintained.	12	SLT
2.	Legal & Legislative Risks							Oct-Mar Update IRMP Planning process has incorporated NSRA planning principles to identify common consequences and asses risk in a comprehensive and consistent manner. The requirement to produce an IRMP from 2012 is currently under consideration.		

		2.2	Corporate Manslaughter Act	2.2.1	1,2,3,4	Sanctions, fines and or arrests resulting from death of Personnel	25	This can be mitigated to some degree by correct application of SOP's. Service Instructions, training and Health and Safety legislation to avoid injury and damage.	12	
								April-Sep Update Processes and guidance are regularly reviewed and updated. All Health and Safety events are reviewed and any learning incorporated in future guidance		SLT
	Legal &							Oct-Mar Update The work to ensure compliance with legislation, health and safety and all SOP's/SI's continues and includes such work undertaken in respect of the response to Covid19 and subsequent arrangements put in place		
2.	Legislative Risks	2.3	Changes introduced by the Localism Act 2011	2.3.1	1,2,3,4	Judicial Review – other legal challenges	15	This can be mitigated to some degree by careful consideration of consultation outcomes and other forms of community input into decisions. However any person can apply for JR regardless of the perceived	8	Director of Legal, Procurement & Democratic Services

								merits or otherwise of such an application. No challenges in the form of Judicial Review or other have been received within this period. April-Sep Update There is no change to the information above Oct-Mar Update There have been no Judicial Review challenges to date. Engaging in consultation as appropriate continues to be undertaken and feedback considered to help reduce the risk.		
2.	Legal & Legislative Risk	2.4	Equality Act - not maintaining compliance with the Public Sector Equality Duty	2.4.1	4	Potential impact on reputation Potential legal action	15	The Equality and Diversity Policy is regularly reviewed (most recently 2017) An Equality Action Plan has been in place for five years, with outcomes and risks reviewed in full every year and progress monitored quarterly as part of the Service Delivery Plan. An E&D Annual Report details outcomes in line with the Equality Act and Action Plan	8	Director of Strategy & Performance

				A Public Sector Equality Duty	
				data report is produced	
				annually and analysed to feed	
				in the action planning process	
				Equality Impact Assessments	
				are carried out for plans,	
				policies, guidance,	
				instructions and	
				organisational change	
				A desk top exercise was	
				carried out in 2016/17 to	
				gather information in relation	
				to the LGA Equality and	
				Diversity Framework	
				Two staff surveys have been	
				carried out (2014 and 2016)	
				and action taken to address	
				concerns with preparation for	
				a third taking place during	
				2019/20.	
				Training and support is given	
				to staff to assist them in	
				complying with Equality and	
				Diversity related duties.	
				April-Sep Update	
				Face to face equality, diversity	
				and inclusion training for all	
				staff was launched during the	
				first quarter of the year and is	
				well underway.	
				wen ander way.	
				MFRA continues to compile	
				,	
				and publish its equality data	
				(a requirement of the Public	

							Sector Equality Duty) well in advance of statutory deadlines. Staff Networks are being launched to help further inclusion within the workforce. Oct-Mar Update Staff training continues to make good progress and is well received. Additional unconscious bias training is planned. Positive action recruitment continues. Face to face training ceased at the beginning of the COVID 19 pandemic, but work is underway to address that through the consideration of online training before a return to face to face.		
	2.6	Policing and Crime Act 2017	2.6.1	2,3	Potential change to Governance	15	Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) representative model on the Fire Authority. A business case would need to be completed and submitted to the Secretary of State. If disputed an independent panel would review the business case.	12	AM Preparedness

						Continue to maintain dialogue with the PCC through Blue Light Collaboration Programme Board and Fire Authority. April-Sep Update Currently No Change Oct-Mar Update No change this period		
		2.6.2	2,3	Inability to deliver collaboration across Blue Light Services in line with Policing and Crime Act 2017	12	The Policing and Crime Act 2017 places a duty on MFRA to keep opportunities to collaborate under review and to collaborate with one another where it is in the interests of either their efficiency or effectiveness	8	
						MFRAs position is therefore to consider collaboration where it provides for a more efficient and/or effective service, where it improves the safety of the public, or is in the interests of economy.		AM Preparedness
						This will be delivered and monitored through the MFRA commitment to the Blue Light Collaboration Team, the Blue Light Collaboration Programme Board, and all		

2.7	Increased Litigation					collaboration programmes recorded through the Local Collaboration Overview. April-Sep Update Ongoing regular meeting established between Corporate Leads Oct-Mar Update Ongoing regular meeting established between Corporate Leads		
2.,	costs	2.7.3	2,4	Increased incidents/costs/injuries whilst travelling under blue lights/speeding	12	Close work with the Health and Safety team and ongoing training and development and development to manage these types of incidents. April- Sep update We continue to work with colleagues in Health and Safety to manage these incidents although no increase in claims has been noted due to travel under blue lights Oct-Mar Update This work continues to be undertaken and analysed to	6	Director of Legal, Procurement & Democratic Services

						assist in the management of these types of incidents		
		2.7.4	2,4	Potential for increased litigation arising from shared premises with partners.	12	Close work with the Estates and Health and Safety teams and Workplace to manage any issues which arise.	6	Director of Legal, Procurement & Democratic Services.
						April-Sep Update Close work with colleagues in Health and Safety and Estates teams to manage these issues		
						Oct-Mar Update The close work with colleagues in Health and Safety and Estates teams		
						continues to take place to manage these issues		

	2.9	Failure to comply with	2.9.1	1,2,3	Damage to reputation of		A Transparency Service		
		Government			MFRS by not publishing		Instruction has been		
		Transparency agenda			policies and data as required		produced to set out the	8	
						12	Authority's commitment		
							There is a transparency		
							section on the website with		
							advice and guidance as well		
							as the data that the Authority		
							is required to publish		SLT
							April-Sep Update		
							Performance against our		
							transparency service		
							instruction was reviewed in		
							September, with all required		
							information being published.		
							Oct-Mar Update		
							An assessment of compliance		
							was undertaken and all		
							required information was		
							available. Any impact of the		
							COVID 19 pandemic on this		
							will be assessed.		

2.10	Health & Safety audits, failures and investigations	2.10.1	1,2,3	H&S audits, failures and investigations from HSE resulting in sanctions and or fines	15	MFRA has a robust suite of H&S audits with findings responded to by the central team in liaison with Estates. All incidents follow an investigatory process to maximise learning which includes advice from Legal to ensure protection. April-Sep Update No change this period Oct-Mar Update No change this period	10	AM Operational Response
2.11	Lead Authority for National Resilience	2.11.1	1,2,3,4	Increased responsibility and liability; capacity issues and reputational risk.	15	Mitigation in part through careful contract management. April-Sep Update Regular contract management with prime contractor for LTCM continues, as does regular involvement with Home Office. Existing capacity is sufficient to service current arrangements. Oct-Mar Update LTCM contract remains tightly managed – with regular BCP exercises scheduled to test for any weaknesses in contractors processes.	10	Director of Legal, Procurement & Democratic Services.

2.12	Recruitment of Trainee Firefighters with limited driving experience who are contracted to undertake EFAD driving.	2.12.1	ap co in re di ro Ri re a di	ncreased risk of fire ppliances being involved ollisions due to nexperienced drivers being equired, under contract, irive fire appliances for outine and response active equires the application of equires the applicant to valid driving license and oes not account for ongevity, experience or to if vehicle they have drive	ng to ivity. only hold I	Asset refresh activity currently limited due to ND2 – but responsibility and liability managed through agreed processes with the Home Office. Competency will be managed through the driving school with assessment and development plans being tailored to the individual. Trainees will not be time- bound on when EFAD driving is first undertaken following LGV qualification. It will be the Driving School Manager who will decide how long LGV routine activity driving will take place prior to EFAD qualification to allow less experienced individuals to gain the required road knowledge. Apr-Sep Update Due to an increase in demand. TDA Driving School have been required to go out to recruit a further driving	10	Director of HR, AM Operational Preparedness
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							Due to an increase in demand. TDA Driving School have been required to go out to recruit a further driving instructor. This is ongoing.		
	2.13	Insufficient experienced staff to manage existing Primary Authority Partnerships	2.13.1	1,2,3	Damage to MFRS reputation with the business partner and the government Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.	12	Resilience is provided to ensure that any loss of key staff facilitating the partnership is minimised. In addition, there is evaluation on the workload involved in managing the partnership and gauging capacity to take on any further partnerships. APR – SEP Update Succession challenges maintain this as a risk. Primary Authority workload remains monitored. 1 additional Primary Authority has been progressed with Norton's Waste Recycling, whilst this places additional strain on the Protection capacity this is justified due to the benefits of preventing further large scale fire incidents on Waste Recycling sites across Merseyside. Plans are in place to enhance the capacity for Primary Authority work via the introduction of a new Fire Engineer post for	9	AM Community Risk Management

							which a recruitment process is in place. Oct-Mar Update This continues to be an issue, the Primary Authority Scheme lead officer will require support as we are near to capacity with current Primary Authority workload. Any further partnership activity will need to be resourced. Additional Officers need to be developed to provide resilience.		
	2.14	Insufficient experienced, qualified staff to deal with serious fire safety complaints 'out of hours'.	2.14.1	1,2,3,4	Potential for MFRA to be unable to serve prohibition or restriction notices on premises out of office hours when the use of the premises involves or will involve a risk to the relevant persons so serious that use of the premises ought to be prohibited or restricted.	15	Senior Officers in Protection when scheduled on cover can provide this facility to respond out of hours; providing they are not engaged at an operational incident. Article 31 Officers provide some additional limited support to assess complaints but are not warranted officers or deemed competent under the Fire Protection Competency Framework. Recall to duty provides some resilience but availability is not guaranteed. Potential for assistance from a neighbouring Fire and Rescue Service.	9	AM Community Risk Management

								Apr-Sep Update This cover was established via the Protection Station Managers (SM), supported by the Seconded SM and 2 additional SMs with existing Protection qualifications Oct-Mar Update Four Watch Manager posts now filled as part of the Protection Response Officer (PRO) Team to provide out of hours facility. Officers are new in post and additional training, qualifications and experience are required to reach full potential.		
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3.	Loss of Strategic sites/Assets	3.1	Loss of strategic sites/assets and inability to provide services to Merseyside	3.1.1	1,2,3,4	Inability to respond to major local and national resilience incidents	20	Treasurer Finance Staff can operate applications from any MFRS site. Application hosted externally with ABS having fall back sites as well. Head of Technology & AM	8	Head of Technology, Treasurer, AM Operational Preparedness
		3.2	Loss of FSHQ, FIRE CONTROL, TADA, fire stations and National Resilience Control	3.2.1	1,2,4	Inability to respond, delay in providing core services	20	Operational Preparedness. Secondary Fire Control is available at TDA for relocation and '999's can be diverted	8	

		3.3	Loss of utilities due to infrastructure failure.	3.3.1	1,2,3,4	Inability to provide core services temporarily whilst fall-back site is brought online	20	regardless of the availability of SHQ. A fall-back 'buddy' agreement is in place with Surrey FRS and BT to redirect and manage emergency 999 calls during periods of outage, spate and spike.	8	Head of Technology, Treasurer, AM Operational Preparedness
3.	Loss of Strategic Sites/Assets							Apr- Sep 2019 No change this period – Head of Technology & AM Operational Preparedness End of Year 19/20 Update For resilience purposes during COVID-19 restrictions, Fire Control Day Watch are located in Secondary Control (TDA) and Night Watch at the Primary Control (SHQ). This ensures a degree of social distancing and reduces the likelihood of passing on infection. The Fire Control Business		
								Continuity Plan has been annually reviewed and refreshed		
		3.4	Protective security- potential risks resulting from non-	3.4.1	1,2,3,4	Potential security risk in relation to all FRS assets, particularly in relation to	20	A Protective Security Group is led by the Director of Legal	9	

	compliance with FRS Protective Security Strategy.			Personnel, information and premises risk.		and includes representatives of several departments with security responsibilities. There is a Protective Security Policy and three Service Instructions that deal with Information, Physical and Personnel security An Internal Audit review of arrangements found MFRA to be compliant with the latest versions of the national requirements. April-Sep Update The Protective Security Group monitors security and risks of non-compliance are actioned as soon as possible via this group. A recent unannounced inspection by members of this group found some minor noncompliance and actions are taking place to remedy this. Oct-Mar Update No change this period – Head of Technology & Area		Director of Legal, Procurement & Democratic Services.
-		3.5.3	1,2,3,4	St Helens		Manager Preparedness In St. Helens a suitable site		Director of
					25	has been identified & negotiations are currently underway to resolve the various issues that are currently preventing progress.	12	Legal, Procurement & Democratic Services.

						If this site falls through, an alternative site will be sought. If nothing appropriate can be found, Eccleston will close completely and the current St. Helens site continue to be utilised for response in the wider St. Helens area. Apr-Sep Update Negotiations continue to acquire the site, subject to the cost of building works being affordable. The results of the recently completed site investigation works will assist in determining affordability	
						Oct-Mar Update Further to the acquisition of the site for the new fire station construction works are progressing well on site. Various issues impacted by Covid19 are being progressed with the fire station due for Completion OCT / Nov 2020'	
	3.6	Potential elevated target risk for terrorist action in regards to cyber crimes	8.1.1	1,2,3,4	Loss of Fire Control ICT services and information assets	See 6.2 and 6.9. As a further mitigation, cyber security is also increased by having the Fire Control infrastructure on its own	Head of Technology

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	Environmental And Political	4.1	Increase in Environmental incidents resulting in the inability to respond	4.1.1	1,4	HSE and legislative impacts from illegal discharges (impact from fire-fighting activity)	15	Action plans are in place with Fire Control to inform the Environment Agency when operational activity may impact the environment to assist with mitigation. HMEPO support officers are available across all flexi duty groups to support incident commanders. April-Sep Update No change this period Oct-Mar Update No change this period	10	AM Operational Response

	4.2	Insufficient water pressure resulting in the inability to fight fires effectively.	4.2.1	1,2	Potential for major consequences, FF injuries	25	High volume pumps (HVP's) and hose layer units available to support water supplies. Additional HVP's available via NCAF arrangements. Availability of mapping for	4	AM Operational
							water mains to be accessible on the command support unit. Currently awaiting sign off of a Data Licence agreement with United Utilities to share "Safe Dig" Software		Preparedness
Environmental And Political							April-Sep Update Command Support Unit is no longer part of mobilising criteria, every appliance Mobile Data Terminal has a mains mapping overlay.		
							Safe Dig licencing is still ongoing.		
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	4.3	Changing demographics in Merseyside brings	4.3.1	1,2,3	Increased economic costs from increases in arson	15	Ongoing discussion through MRF with United Utilities to develop formal arrangements & understanding of specialist advice in relation to water supplies at incidents Increased economic costs from increases in arson – The arson reduction strategy	12	
Environmental And Political		about a changing in vulnerability profile and higher unemployment.	4.3.2	1,2,3	Increased economic costs from increases in fraud. Increased incidents eg. fires	15	focuses multi-agency community safety campaigns in high demand wards in order to support and	12	АМ
			4.3.4	1,2,3	Increased antisocial behaviour (ASB)	15	community cohesion, develop community resilience and reduce the tolerance of antisocial behaviour (ASB), domestic abuse (DA), serious organised crime (SOC) and the associated deliberate fire setting.	12	Community Risk Management
							Increased economic costs from increases in fraud – The communications and media post will raise awareness of community safety priorities coordinating media messages and campaigns across a digital platform.		
							Increased road traffic collisions (RTC) – As above (but add 50% Merseyside		

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				Management risk reduction	
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			falling into 3 specific areas	
			serious and organised crime,	
			domestic abuse and mental	
			health. There is also some	
			evidence to suggest that	
			illegal money lending is a risk	
			as is fraud (e.g. New Ferry	
			Incident) but there is limited	
			data to suggest that this is an	
			increasing risk due to all	
			indices of arson seeing	
			significant reductions. This is	
			captured under the Arson	
			Reduction Strategies four P's	
			model.	
			model.	
			-Increased road traffic	
			collisions (RTC) – Merseyside	
			enjoyed a 10% drop in KSIs	
			per 100,000 from 2017 to	
			2018. This was the 6th best	
			KSI rate from 43 Police Force	
			Areas.	
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				Oct-Mar Update	
				A successful bonfire period as	
				a result of continued and	
			42	sustained partnership	

							engagement and targeted interventions. Outcomes reported to PMG. Some reductions in March due to COVID 19 Restrictions. Temp SI's to support high risk interventions produced to mitigate risk.		
	4.4	Reputation	4.5.1	1,2,3,4	Negative changes to the Community perception of MFRS may be detrimental to Prevention, protection and partnership activities eg. failure to deliver safety messages.	15	Corporate Communications activity is focussed on protecting the reputation of the Service whilst providing advice and guidance to communities and promoting the services provided Social media is closely monitored (but not 24/4). Press and media queries are dealt with promptly with senior officers providing information Events are promoted and provided with communications support Staffing levels are relatively low when compared with other FRS's. April-Sep Update The communications team continue to work across traditional and social media platforms to promote the	12	Director of Strategy and Performance

							work of the Service, provide advice and guidance during incidents and respond rapidly to any potential negative publicity. Oct-Mar Update Corporate Comms continue to provide support to all departments to promote activities and also warn and inform during incidents. A reciprocal support arrangement is being developed with Merseyside Police as part of the collaboration programme. Work on delivering a new website in early 2020/21 is progressing. The COVID 19 pandemic required significant levels of internal and external comms which has had some impact on other activities.		
-	4.5	Increased flood risk	4.6.1	1,2	Ability to respond to major flooding incidents from spate conditions.	15	Response Operational Crews train for and are equipped for water rescue incidents. Senior Officers train against national	10	AM Operational Preparedness & Operational Response
	4.6	Extreme Weather	4.7.1	1,2	Spate conditions will impact on ability to respond	15	standards for flood response. Specialist Teams are available for local, national and inter- national flood response. Additional resources are available to the Service if	10	

				required for increased levels of activity. Increased Alert Level protocols can be implemented by Senior Officers for anticipated events. April-Sep Update	AM Operational Preparedness & Operational Response
				Further to the above Multi- agency LRF arrangements are in place with MFRA being fully embedded.	
				MFRS have contributed to a new MRF Flood plan. This will be validated in a table top exercise by April 2020.	
				This year we have added one Senior Officer to national register of flood tactical advisors, with a further planned for 2020.	
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4.7	Civil Unrest	4.8.1	1,2,3	Inability to respond effectively to civil unrest	15	MFRS continually liaises and trains with Merseyside Police and other agencies through formal Local Resilience Forum channels to ensure a coordinated approach to Civil Unrest following the principles of JESIP (Joint Emergency Services Interoperability Protocol). April-Sep Update MFRS continually liaises and trains with Merseyside Police and other agencies through formal Local Resilience Forum channels to ensure a coordinated approach to Civil Unrest following the principles of JESIP (Joint Emergency Services Interoperability Protocol).	10	AM Operational Preparedness & Operational Response

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	4.9	Air pollution charges - Report/regulations due out July 2017 on City Centre car charges for diesel vehicles	4.9.1	1,2,3	Cost of MFRS ancillary vehicles entering City centre zone – anticipate fire appliances will be exempt.	MFRS Transport Manager will closely monitor the situation April-Sep Update Ongoing report delivered to Ops Board on Environmental issues effecting the ancillary fleet. Meeting arranged with the Energy Trust to look at options moving forward to achieve the move to low emission vehicles and the	AM Operational Preparedness

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4.10	Fuel Strike	Loss of fuel available due to strike. Critical services only to utilise MFRS diesel tanks.	Merseyside Resilience Forum Fuel plan for strike conditions. MFRS fuel tank supplies utilised for critical services only during strike conditions	AM Operational Preparedness
			April-Sep Update MFRS Business Continuity Plan and SLT supporting information in place ready to activate if required. Merseyside Resilience Forum Fuel plan in place. Home office report completed in September on bunkered stocks. Oct-Mar Update	

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	4.11	Diesel fuel vehicles being phased out in the future	4.11.1	1,2,3	Impact on fleet and lease vehicles		Long term planning for vehicle and asset refresh. April-Sep Update There is a meeting arranged with the Energy Trust to look at options moving forward to achieve the move to low emission vehicles and the infrastructure for charging facilities. Oct-Mar Update		AM Operational Preparedness
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5.	Loss of Key staff	5.1	Sudden Mass Absenteeism Pandemic, Strike, CBRNE incident, significant incident	5.1.1	1,2,3,4	Loss of Key staff, Inability to provide core services	15	AM Response The Authority maintains a resilience team capable of providing the necessary operational response provision as required within the 10 key locations during contingency situations. In addition, section 13-16 arrangements are maintained to supplement internal resilience arrangements. April-Sep Update No change this period Oct-Mar Update No change this period	10	AM Operational Preparedness & Operational Response
		5.2	Industrial Action resulting in the Inability to provide suitable response	5.2.1	1,2,3,4	Inability to attend incidents, provide core services		The Authority maintains a resilience team capable of providing the necessary operational response provision as required within the 10 key locations during contingency situations. In addition, section 13-16 arrangements are maintained to supplement internal resilience arrangements. April-Sep Update	12	Director of POD

						Business continuity plans in place and tested twice a year Oct-Mar Update Resilience team members continual to be supplemented by new recruits entering the service ensuring any reductions due to retirements are offset.		
5.3	Change resulting in loss of Key staff and increasing workloads to set strategy and deliver services	5.3.1	1,2,3,4	Loss of key skills, lack of momentum going forward, reduced ability to respond to changes.	15	The Authority continues to manage its staffing requirements through the Workforce strategy group, appraisal process, and Gateway promotion process. All combining to identify potential staff or skill shortage, and ensure adequate training, promotion or recruitment to address those needs April-Sep Update Work progresses as detailed above. A current round of Watch Manager appointments is being completed to put in place a more permanent managerial structure to support ongoing recruitment, and the introduction of revised duty systems	12	Director of POD

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RISK	STRATEGIC CORPORATE RISK	RISK No.	SPECIFIC CORPORATE RISKS	SUB RISK No.	AIMS AFFECTED	IMPACT		MITIGATION	MITIGATE D SCORE	
6.	Technology Risks	6.1	Management of 3rd Party Technology Suppliers Software & Applications Training requirements.	6.1.1	1,2,3,4	Loss or reduction in the quality of services provided	12	ICT telent, under the contract and the internal ICT client team manage suppliers to achieve the required service levels and ensure suppliers are appropriate to support the needs of MFRA, both across the ICT infrastructure and the commodity & fire control applications used by the Authority. This ensures the suppliers deliver continuous service improvement, show best value and are fit for	6	Head of Technology Director of Strategy & Performance FMIS Manager

6.	Technology Risks							System Support There will be an individual update for this area in future reports Finance & HR There will be an individual update for this area in future reports Apr- Sep update No change this period – Head of Technology End of Year 19/02 Update No change this period – Head of Technology		
		6.2	Infrastructure sharing with partners. Security from Virus and hacking, loss of data (Laptops, CD etc.).	6.2.1	1,3,4	Data compromised, loss of data, complaints, legal action, fines	15	Director of Strategy & Performance The Strategy and Performance ICT Board considers and responds to strategic risks A Protective Security Group focuses on information security Governance arrangements for applications were been	12	Head of Technology Director of Strategy & Performance

								reviewed and formalised in 2016. April-Sep Update Head of Technology See 6.9 below Oct-Mar Update Director of S&P - Existing arrangements continue to address risks with a range of meetings in MFRS and with the ICT provider identify and mitigate any emerging risks.		
6.	Technology Risks	6.3	The inability to keep pace with technology changes.	6.3.1	1,2,3,4	Loss or reduction in the quality of services provided	15	MFRA has forgone a concrete roadmap for its newly launched ICT strategy and has instead adopted a strategic framework which reviews planned activities and outcomes in a yearly cycle of meetings. This ability to 'evolve' the strategic outcomes allows the Authority to match the fast pace of change in the ICT sector, taking advantage of appropriate innovations, whilst having an ICT infrastructure that is robust, secure, reliable and resilient.	12	Head of Technology

6.								For this reason, our ICT strategy is encapsulated in our ICT strategic framework and our asset management plan, and is then aligned to wider organisation strategy at the quarterly held S&P ICT Board. April-Sep Update No change this period End of Year 19/20 Update The full cycle of ICT Strategic Framework meetings took place for the period Mar 2019-April 2020		
	Technology Risks	6.4	Poor data/information management resulting in loss of data, legal redress from Information Commissioner. Particularly in relation to failure to implement the General Data Protection Regulation.	6.4.1	1,2,3,4	Data compromised, loss of data, complaints, legal action, fines	15	There are polices for Information Security and Governance, Acceptable use of ICT equipment and Protective Security. There are also several Service Instructions covering the key issues associated with this, including data protection, retention period, destruction of information assets, records management and Freedom of Information. Work to implement the General Data Protection	12	Director of Strategy & Performance

					Regulation was successful.	
					This included:	
					Developing an information	
					asset register, privacy impact	
6.					assessments, access to	
					information and the role of	
					the Data Protection Officer.	
					Collaborative work with	
					Merseyside police and other	
					FRAs is being considered to	
					share best practice.	
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					April – Sep update	
					Officers have updated the	
					Authority's Privacy Notices,	
					revised information sharing	
					agreements and entered into	
					new ones and created a new	
					LearnPro training package for	
	Technology Risks				use by all staff. This is	
	"				expected to be launched	
					before the end of quarter 3.	
					The Service continues to deal	
					with Freedom of Information	
					and Data Protection requests	
					efficiently and effectively	
					Oct-Mar Update	
					A reduction in resources	
					during the period has caused	
					challenges, but the team are	
					maintaining a good response	
					to statutory requirements	
					relating to Data Protection	
					and Freedom of Information.	
					Some additional work is	

							required and is picked up in the Service Delivery Plan for 2020/21.		
	6.5	The Emergency Services Mobile Communication Programme (ESMCP) and transition to the emergency services network	6.5.1	1,2,3	Radio voice services cannot be guaranteed for the transition	16	ESMCP will replace the communication service delivered by Airwave with a national mobile communication service for all three emergency services. The ESMCP presents a highrisk potential for MFRA, dependent on external factors beyond its day-to-day control; the main issue being slippage at the national level. The Home Office will continue to work closely with FRSs & Airwave to ensure that our current voice communication network remains in place and effective.	9	Head of Technology
							ICT staff regularly attend ESMCP updates at Fire Control North West to gain the latest information on the progress of the project and maintain a watching brief to ensure any opportunities to influence national/regional aspects of ESMCP are taken.		

		The project risks are being managed by the MFRA ESMCP project board and a national programme risk register is maintained by the Home Office central team.	
		April-Sep Update Due to the ESMCP delays, Home Office contracts with Airwave have been extended past both the original 2016 and subsequent 2019 expiry dates with the current National agreements extended to 2025.	
		Oct-Mar Update The national programme was paused at the beginning of the COVID 19 lockdown but work has continued where possible in Merseyside and this includes some preparation for the testing of equipment for the programme and the potential to become an Assurance	
		Partner. Work is ongoing with the testing of the early Direct 2 products. However due to technical issues and the restrictions brought about by	

						COVID-19, this activity is likely to continue into Q3 2020. Work to ensure the continued availability and support of Airwave are ongoing including upgrades within the Airwave network and fibre links to our onsite equipment.		
6.7	Withdrawal and transition arrangements from SOPHTLOGIC to new MIS for Community Fire Protection.	6.7.1	1,2,3,4	Robust transitional arrangements are required to ensure the Authority can carry out its statutory duty as the Enforcing Authority under the RRO (Fire Safety) 2005.	15	The replacement of the SOPHTLOGIC system is programmed in for development and options are being explored. The transitional arrangements remain part of that process. April-Sep Update Work continues to replace the Sophtlogic system but it is expected that this will take longer than initially anticipated due to unanticipated recruitment and technical challenges. IT is recognised as a high priority for the Service. Oct-Mar Update Applications development continues, but progress has been complex due to the Service adopting whole new ways of working using new technologies. Work is	12	Director of Strategy & Performance

					progressing in relation to gathering the requirements for the Protection application and the development of some prototypes and refinements to the SIRAH application have been made during the COVID 19 lockdown period.		
6.9	Increase potential for Cyber Attack as we move to the Cloud		Loss or reduction in the quality of services provided	15	ICT deploys a number of security measures to protect the Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority (MFRA) networks and information. Measures to protect from external attacks include applying updates and patches to applications, software and operating systems; deploying firewalls; filtering traffic; deploying access control solutions; using anti-malware solutions to block malicious code (including viruses, trojans, worms, spyware, ransomware, adware, etc.); network segregation solutions and e-mail filtering solutions. April - Sep Update ICT continues to takes advantage of Cyber Security Information Sharing initiatives with various organisation	12	Head of Technology

				End of Year 29/20 Update ICT are aware of the Government's Cyber Aware campaign. Cyber Aware is the UK government's advice on how to stay secure online during coronavirus. The need for vigilance during the outbreak due to potential increase in Cyber Crime has been communicated to staff.		
	6.10	Unavailability of the Home Office Incident Recording System (IRS). March 2019 - CFOs have received notification that funding has not been granted to renew this system and although the intention is to maintain it there is a risk that it will become unavailable.	MFRS would be unable to record any detailed data about incidents other than what is captured on the mobilising system management information system. This would severely hamper the Service's ability to supply data and information for planning and performance management purposes.	We will engage with Home Office and NFCC to try and ensure that access to the system is not lost. Also, some fire and rescue services have their own incident recording system and only use IRS to send data to government. We will explore other systems used and whether they would be appropriate/affordable for MFRS. April-Sep Update The Home Office has now moved IRS to a new data centre and made some changes that have improved the speed and user experience. The HO are still keen to replace IRS in the	12	Director of Strategy & Performance

								future, should funding be available, but the most recent action has mitigated the previous risk. Oct-Mar Update Closed. The transition was successful in September and some local issues in early 2020 related to a software supplier have been resolved.		
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7.	Procurement	7.2	Poorly Managed contracts/Partnerships the Financial impacts, onerous T&Cs	7.2.1	1,2,3,4	Negative impact on service delivery, legal issues, poor quality Partnerships undertaken	12	Regular, documented contract management in place for key contracts with priorities agreed between the Authority and the supplier. April-Sep Update No change this period Oct-Mar Update No update – as previously reported	8	Director of Legal, Procurement & Democratic Services
		7.3	Key suppliers of goods and services ceasing to trade	7.3.1	1,2,3,4	Immediate impact on availability of goods and services required to operate efficiently, legal issues, alternative sources of supply needed.	15	Use of Creditsafe alerts to identify and financial changes to contracted suppliers. April-Sep Update	12	Director of Legal, Procurement & Democratic Services

							Work has been undertaken to try and assure continuity of goods if the planned EU exit proceeds. Second line of supply for key goods has been identified where this is critical Oct-Mar Update Work has been undertaken to try and assure continuity of goods if the planned EU exit proceeds. Second line of supply for key goods has been identified where this is critical.		
	1.8	Changes to insurance discount rates	1.8.1	1,2,3,4	Increased insurance premiums	15	This is largely out of the control of MFRA but careful negotiation and management of all contracts assist with mitigating the effect. Removed Sept 2019	12	Director of Legal, Procurement & Democratic Services
			3.5.2	1,2,3,4	Saughall Massie		Planning permission has now been received for Saughall Massie and Authority approval will be sought later	6	

CORPORATE RISK REGISTER 2019/20								
			commence, once the land has been obtained. Removed Sept 2019	Head of Estates				