Strategic Risk Profile Quarter 1 2018/19 ISSUES



SRP.IR.02 The Change Programme

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.IR.02	Risk cause Change programme that doesn't address the budget shortfall; The Change Programme does not achieve the projected savings Risk event Delayed progress in applying various strands of the Change Programme including the Delivering Excellence framework. Risk effect Slow or delayed proposals/savings arising from service redesign. Potentially further eroding reserves or requiring short term service reductions which impact on the Council's ability to deliver against its priorities.	Maria *Lloyd; Ricky *Moffat; Garry *Sheret; Head of Adult and Social Care; Kevin Anderson; Gary Fairley; Head of Primary Care and Older People's Services; lan Johnson; Joan Tranent	1. Change Programme including Delivering Excellence framework which addresses projected budget shortfalls. 2. Delivering Excellence Management Tools to support the application of the framework. 3. Section 95 Officer has sought assurance from Heads of Service that the 2018/19 saving proposals are deliverable: Financial Strategy. Leadership from Executive Team and Senior Leadership Group. Appropriated governance in place across the Change Programme. Links between Change Programme and Workforce Plans Resilience planning. Senior Leadership Group regularly considering Change Programme and budget position. Capacity to deliver change. Health and Social Care transformation board monitoring the 12 transformation strands on a monthly basis.	5	5	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
	Developing and implementing a Change Programme to ensure long term financial sustainability.	Programme Dashboard prepared by each Head of Service and reported (6 weekly) to the Business Transformation Board and the Business Transformation Steering Group. Supported in addition to continued quarterly financial reporting by Financial Services. The Financial Strategy Report to June Council set out updated projections for future years and timeline and governance to arrive at 2019/20 budget. This next update report will be in October 2018 which will more fully articulate the impact of the Change Programme.	,	31-Dec-2018	

		Johnson; A.Short (Joint Director Midlothian Health and Social Care Partnership); Joan Tranent		
SRP.IA.02.02	Bottom up Service Reviews - Phase 1	Ricky *Moffat; Garry *Sheret	31-Mar-2019	

SRP.IR.06 Welfare Reform

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.IR.06	Risk Cause: New Universal Credit scheme introduced by UK government replacing legacy benefit schemes with a single scheme. Risk Event: Universal Credit (UC) Live Service was introduced in Midlothian for newly unemployed single claimants, with or without housing costs, in Dalkeith and Penicuik Jobcentres from 27 April 2015. Universal Credit Full Service is being rolled out in Midlothian on 22 March 2017. Risk Impact: The Universal Credit Programme will close gateways for legacy benefits, so existing benefits will no longer be eligible, as Universal Credit rolls out as plans for the migration of those remaining claimants on current benefit types once the digital rollout is complete for all of Great Britain. Potential for larger numbers of people/families falling in to arrears on rent and those requiring discretionary payments.	Kevin Anderson	1. Applying discretionary housing payment to offset full impact of under occupancy charge (also known as bedroom tax) 2. Work with 3rd sector to mitigate individual case circumstance were applicable. 3. Scottish welfare fund available for hardship cases, emergency food packs available a relevant council offices. Food banks in operation within Midlothian. 4. Protocol established and in operation where families with children fall into arrears.	4	4	

SRP.IR.07 Financial Sustainability

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.IR.07	Risk cause Reduction in long term funding from Scottish Government Increasing ageing population of over 75's Increasing population of 0-15 age group Rising customer expectations Risk event Change Programme and the flexibility available to Councils as part of the grant settlement does not address future years projected budget gaps Risk effect A shortfall and or slow or delayed savings arising from the Change Programme. Potentially further eroding reserves or requiring short term service reductions which impact on the Council's ability to deliver against its priorities.	Gary Fairley	1. Medium term Financial Strategy and multi-year Change Programme. 2. Maintaining a level of reserves to deal with unforeseen or one off cost pressures. 3. Sustainable Capital Strategy. 4. Continued work with Strategic Leadership Group to ensure financial sustainability. 5. Programme monitoring - continual reassessment of grant settlement prospects by the Finance Team. 6. Review of Capital Strategy, General Services Capital Plan and Reserves Strategy. 7. Working through COSLA to influence government spending decisions to influence Scottish Government's budget allocation to Councils.	5	5	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.IA.02.01	Developing and implementing a Change Programme to ensure long term financial sustainability.	Programme Dashboard prepared by each Head of Service and reported (6 weekly) to the Business Transformation Board and the Business Transformation Steering Group. Supported in addition to continued quarterly financial reporting by Financial Services. The Financial Strategy Report to June Council set out updated projections for future years and timeline and governance to arrive at 2019/20 budget. This next update report will be in October 2018 which will more fully articulate the impact of the Change Programme.	Maria *Lloyd; Ricky *Moffat; Garry *Sheret; Head of Adult and Social Care; Kevin Anderson; Gary Fairley; . Head of Primary Care and Older People's Services; lan Johnson; Joan Tranent	31-Dec-2018	

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SRP.RR.01 Balancing Budgets in future years

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.01	Risk cause: Reduction in long term funding from Scottish Government Increasing ageing population of over 75's Increasing population of 0-15 age group Population growth and time lag to fund pressures on public services. Policy decisions by UK & Scottish Governments which are not fully funded. Non or delayed savings from planned activities. Future year pay award settlements and implications of living wage increases. Inflation, interest rates, tax, income levels, service demand Rising customer expectations Risk event: Reducing grant settlement. Policies decisions at Government level not fully funded to Council's. Securing the extent of change required in order to deliver financial sustainability and a change program that recognises the size of the challenge. Cost pressures exceeding budget estimates. Risk effect: Gap in Council budget between budget commitments / pressures and funding level and inadequate options presented to address this, resulting in a structural deficit	Gary Fairley	1. The Financial Strategy to 2022-23 2. Delivery and expansion with further options presented to Council autumn 2018. Change Programme including the Delivering Excellence framework developed for the new Council Administration. 3. Maintaining a level of reserves to deal with unforeseen or one off cost pressures. 4. Draft Capital Strategy to June Council 5. Working through COSLA to influence government spending decisions to influence Scottish Government's budget allocation to Councils. 6. Consider a lobbying strategy with government to recognise the unique position Midlothian Council is in.	5	5	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.01.0	Developing and implementing a Change Programme to ensure the long term financial sustainability.	Q1 18/19: Monitoring the oversight of the Change Programme through the Change Programme Dashboard prepared by each Head of Service and reported (6 weekly) to the Business Transformation Board and the Business Transformation Steering Group. Supported in addition to continued quarterly financial reporting by Financial Services.	Gary Fairley	31-Dec-2018	

		The Financial Strategy Report to June Council set out updated projections for future years and timeline and governance to arrive at 2019/20 budget. This next update report will be in October 2018 which will more fully articulate the impact of the Change Programme.			
SRP.RA.01.0 2	Maintaining and ensuring sustainability of growth in asset base	Q1 18/19: Fundamental review of Capital Strategy and Capital Plan reported to Council June 2018	Gary Fairley	31-Oct-2018	

SRP.RR.02 The Long Term Change Programme

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.02	Risk cause A change program that doesn't address the budget shortfall or contextual factors relating to the Midlothian area Reduced resources Leadership fit for the future Lack of clarity or clear compelling vision for the future Delay or shortfall in securing savings Lack of or not securing transformational change in service provision Risk event Delayed progress in applying various strands of the Change Programme including Delivering Excellence Framework Slow benefits realisation and budget savings Cuts in service provision rather than service transformation Risk effect Objectives of change not actually met Adverse impact on services Slow or delayed proposals/savings arising from service redesign. Potentially further eroding reserves or requiring short term service reductions which impact on Council's ability to deliver against its priorities. Staff morale negatively affected, Government step-in Short term savings instead of transformation	Gary Fairley	1. Financial Strategy and Change Programme 2. Leadership from Executive Team and Senior Leadership Group. 2. Appropriated governance in place across the Change Programme. 3. Links between Change Programme and Workforce Plans 4. Resilience planning. 5. Senior Leadership Group regularly considering Change Programme and budget position. 6. Capacity to deliver change.	4	4	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
		Q1 18/19: Updated Financial Strategy presented to Council in June 2018 which includes details of Change Programme to allow engagement. Bottom up reviews agreed by council in June 2018.	Gary Fairley	31-Mar-2019	

SRP.RR.03 Legal and Regulatory Compliance

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.03	Risk cause Current or new legislation applying to Midlothian Council Risk event Council and or Services not identifying all applicable legislation impacting Council activities and Service requirements. Risk effect Council failing to meet its statutory obligations resulting in a potential negative impact for service users or employees. Reputational impact of not meeting statutory obligations.	Kevin Anderson; Gary Fairley;	Directors and Heads of Service responsible for identifying applicable legislation and propose Council or Service responses to CMT and Cabinet/Council as required. Annual Assurance Statement. Internal Audit testing of internal controls as part of risk based audit plan. External Audit. Statutory Inspection. Local Scrutiny Plan - Report to Council 8 May 2018.	3	3	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.03.0 1	Legal & Regulatory Compliance	Q1 18/19: Heads of Service ensuring compliance with statutory obligations and making CMT, Cabinet/Council aware as required.	Maria *Lloyd; Ricky *Moffat; Garry *Sheret; Head of Adult and Social Care; Kevin Anderson; Gary Fairley; . Head of Primary Care and Older People's Services; lan Johnson; Joan Tranent	31-Mar-2019	
1.2	Governance Statement and Annual Assurance arrangements	Q1 18/19: Directors and Heads of Service progressing the actions in the annual governance statement and assurance arrangements.	Maria *Lloyd; Ricky *Moffat;	31-May-2019	

			Garry *Sheret; Head of Adult and Social Care; Kevin Anderson; Gary Fairley; . Head of Primary Care and Older People's Services; lan Johnson; Joan Tranent		
SRP.RA.03.0	Demographic Growth	Q1 18/19: The Council has prepared a Learning Estate Strategy to reflect the projected growth in demand through to 2040. Capital Strategy to set out infrastructure required to meet those demographic pressures will be presented to Council June 2018	Maria *Lloyd	31-Jul-2020	
SRP.RA.03.0 5	Participatory Budgeting	Q1 18/19: Development of a strategy or action plan to comply with requirements.	lan Johnson	31-Mar-2021	
SRP.RA.03.0	Education Act 2000 to be repealed.	Q1 17/18: Education Service have implemented the Education Act 2016 which requires mandatory reporting on closing the attainment gap, duty to collaborate in new regional collaborative.	Maria *Lloyd	31-Mar-2019	

SRP.RR.04 Employee performance

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.04	Risk cause Employees not suitably qualified or developed for the roles required of them. limited availability of qualified practitioners in certain sectors Change program not informed by all key stakeholders Ageing work force Employees unclear on expected behaviours. Employees constrained to innovate as a result of management practice Employee productivity rate below the required level because of ineffective use of the People Policies particularly Maximising Attendance Risk event Employees not engaged/consulted as part of organisational transformation.	Marina Naylor	1. Focus on having the right people, here, healthy, performing, behaving and well led. 2. 'A Great Place to Grow' our values including respect ,collaboration, pride and ownership 3. Effective and progressive People Policies in place 4. Making performance matter 5. A range of initiatives to keep staff informed of change (In brief, Staff Magazine, Espresso Sessions for Managers on new People Management Policies) 6. Workforce planning 7. Investing in our workforce board 8. Healthy Working Lives Gold Award 9. Occupational Health provision in place 10. Employee Assistance and Physio therapy services to support employee health and attendance 11. Forward looking and progressing People Policies 12. Workforce strategy action plan	3	4	

Experienced employees leaving the organisation Unacceptable behaviours demonstrated by employees Stated organisational culture not consistently reinforced by managers Poor employee performance will stifle transformational change		
Risk effect Difficulties recruiting the right staff Challenges retaining quality staff Low skill levels Low morale, especially during change High absence rates, loss of experience in service areas. 'A Great Place to Grow' our values including respect ,collaboration, pride and ownership not realised, potentially resulting in missing the opportunity to capitalise on the abilities, experience and ideas of team members. Poor employee performance will Exacerbate the financial challenge		

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.02.0 3	Workforce Strategy		, ,	31-Mar-2019	
SRP.RA.02.0 4	Wellness Strategy	Q1 18/19: Wellness Strategy developed and engagement session delivered to Leadership Team.	Gary Fairley	30-Jun-2018	
SRP.RA.02.0 5	Redeployment Arrangements	Q1 18/19: Work progressing to finalisation and obtain approval of Redeployment fund arrangements.	Gary Fairley	30-Sep-2018	

SRP.RR.05 Working with others to deliver outcomes

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.05	Risk cause Partners not engaged or focused to deliver specific outcomes. Public Sector Reform Agenda. Risk event	*Smith; A.Short (Joint Director Midlothian Health and Social Care	Key partners engaged in planning and delivery of Service outcomes, e.g. Midlothian Community Planning Partnership have developed a Single Midlothian Plan. Midlothian Integrated Joint Board (Adult & Social Care Integration) have developed and Strategic Plan. Approved integration scheme. Service Directions in Place.	3	3	

Partners prioritising activity in areas not inline with delivery of defined outcomes. Community groups afforded legal right to make case to operate vacant properties for community use.		
Risk effect Delivery of outcomes delayed or not achieved Officer time to support the assessment of unsustainable business cases.		

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.05.0	Cross Council approach to working with communities	Q1 18/19: Enterprising with Communities Working Group established – 5 key projects identified – Pavilions (£100,000 saving by 20/21), maximising income with communities from Loanhead Hub Pilot, Staff Time Donation Scheme, Grants Review and exploration of working differently with communities to generate income or reduce expenditure by £1 million by 2021/22.	Annette Lang	31-Mar-2021	

SRP.RR.06 Information Security

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.06	Risk cause General Data Protection Regulation is a new piece of legislation currently being formulated by the European Commission. It is expected to be agreed in the first part of 2016 with a two year lead in period. Risk event The Regulation has been agreed with implementation due on 25 May 2018. Risk effect The Regulations will bring about a number of requirements on the Council including mandatory reporting of all data breaches, appointment of a Data Protection Officer and the potential for fines ranging to 4% of turnover or 20million Euros which ever is greater.	Ian Wragg	Information Management Group Public Sector Network Compliance. Meta Compliance Information Management, awareness raising program (Private-i) General Data Protection Regulation Project Plan. Public sector cyber security compliance	3	5	

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SRP.RA.06.0	information security PSN accreditation and public sector cyber security accreditation	Q1 18/19: General Data Protection Regulation project board reported end of stage and close report. Number of key activities handed over to services as business as usual. Working on Scottish Government Cyber Security action plan, first milestone achieved with essential minimum criteria in place.	Phil Timoney	25-May-2018	
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SRP.RR.07 Integration of Health & Social Care

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.07	Risk cause Internal and External providers of Care at Home services unable to meet service and quality requirements as a result of a lack of capacity. Risk event Capacity of Community Support outstripped by demand Risk effect There is a risk that patients will have their discharge delayed because there is insufficient community supports to enable timely discharge leading to deterioration in their health, beds being blocked and elective operations potentially being cancelled.		1. Care at Home improvement action plan in place and near compaction 2. Appointment to Team Lead posts to support Complex care to enhance local leadership at operational level 3. New Framework agreement in place with significant improvement in quality from Providers 4. Flow management planning in development to maximise Care at Home capacity going forward 5. Weekly provider meetings in place 6. Additional locum team members recruited to for contingency cover 7. New Leadership model in place 8. Daily discharge meeting with Multidisciplinary and Multi-agency team planning to plan and coordinate discharge to ensure care at hone support in place	3	4	

SRP.RR.08 Asset Management – buildings, vehicles, roads and Digital assets/networks

Risk Cod	e Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.	Risk cause Many of the assets the Council own by their nature are in a position of on going deterioration through their normal use, e.g. roads - normal wear and tear, street lights and vehicles & buildings used to deliver services. Risk event Many assets will deteriorate under normal conditions although buildings, roads and street lights as an example		There is provision in place within the capital plan for investment in the asset base. Asset register Conditional Survey Understanding of future asset needs Asset Strategy: Roads Land Fleet Digital Service Network	3	3	

also the risk of two-tier accommodation, some high quality, some low.

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
	Appropriate investment in capital works and remedial maintenance over the lifespan of each property asset.	Q1 18/19: Prioritise needs of assets against available spend. On-going need to assess, needs of assets, informed by conditional surveys. Capital spend works carried out during summer, on going through quarter 2. Continuing to develop property asset management plans, priority spend on basis of independent surveys.		31-Mar-2019	
SRP.RA.08.0 3	Review of capital plan.	Q1 18/19: Draft Capital Strategy reported to June Council 2018, elected member seminar to be delivered with further update report planned for October 2018.	Garry *Sheret	31-Oct-2018	
SRP.RA.08.0 4	Reviewed Roads Asset Management Strategy	Q1 18/19: Roads Asset Strategy, work progressing to migrate to version 4 through 2018/19. Information to be taken to capital board on future need for next 5 years.	Ricky *Moffat;	31-Mar-2019	

SRP.RR.09 Emergency Planning and Business Continuity Management

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.09	Risk cause The Council not preparing Emergency Plans and testing arrangements to respond to Civil Contingencies Incidents Risk event There are a wide range of potential events the Council may be expected to respond to e.g. Severe weather incident, Pandemic, Utility disruption etc. Risk effect	Chris Lawson	Potential sub risks include:- 01 – Civil Contingencies Risk Register used to highlight key risks and record response, - Council's plans developed and maintained in response to identified risks, - Contingency Planning Group support development, peer review and roll out of plans. 02 – Establishment based incident response plans in place and maintained locally.	3	4	

Censure through non compliance with the Civil Contingencies Act Not adequately recovering from the loss of major accommodation (eg secondary school, main offices),	03 – Emergency response plan setting out general approach to respond to a major emergency inline with key partner organisations. 04 – As part of the Council's Emergency response plan the importance of recording decisions made and information available at		
computer systems and staff Not able to respond to a major emergency in the	the time is highlighted as this would be scrutinised in the event of an FAI.		
community Fatal Accident Inquiries			

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.09.0 2	Development of Emergency Planning Improvement Plan	Q1 18/19: Contingency Improvement Plan well developed and due to be shared with Contingency Planning Group ahead of reporting to CMT for approval. Exploratory work carried out to establish what benefits could be gained from using technology systems to support the development and interrogation of Business Continuity application during an incident.	Chris Lawson	31-Mar-2019	
SRP.RA.09.0	Rest Centre Provision	Q1 18/19: Rest Centre Management report going to CMT.	Head of Adult and Social Care	31-Aug-2018	

SRP.RR.10 Governance and Standards in Public Life

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.10	Risk cause Code of conduct for Members and employees actions falling short of International Standards. Risk event Failure in openness, accountability, clarity. Risk effect Service, partnerships and project outcomes not achieved Non compliance with conduct standards and reduction in standards in public life	Alan Turpie	Potential sub risks include:- 01 Macro governance at the top – failure in openness, accountability, clarity; 02 Micro governance in services, partnerships and projects and outcomes not achieved 03 Non compliance with codes of conduct and reduction in standards in public life 04 Annual Assurance Statement.	3	4	_

SRP.RR.11 Corporate Policies and Strategies

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.11	Risk cause Policies may not match the aspirations of the Council's Strategic priorities or cultural perspective. Risk event Policies not monitored may become out of date Policies not reviewed to ensure alignment with strategic priorities. Risk effect Policies not monitored could result in non compliance with legislation Policies not align to strategic priorities will inhibit the rather than support implementation of strategic priorities.	Maria *Lloyd; Ricky *Moffat; Garry *Sheret; Head of Adult and Social Care; Kevin Anderson; Gary Fairley; Head of Primary Care and Older People's Services; Ian Johnson; Joan Tranent	Single Midlothian Plan providing overarching direction Service plans aligned to Single Midlothian Plan. Leadership team to ensure correct approaches are adopted to get the right results. Strategic housing investment plan, submitted to Scottish Government in December 2016, positive feedback with allocated funding. Community Safety Strategic assessment in progress.	2	3	

SRP.RR.12 Internal Control Environment

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.12	Risk cause Work procedures/process inadvertently create the capacity for fraud and waste to occur. Internal Controls requiring more time, effort or cost than the risk being managed. Mangers failing to follow procedures and keep systems updated with accurate information Risk event Persons exploiting opportunities to commit fraud Waste and errors Risk effect Waste and loss Risks over managed with risk controls costing more than the potential loss being managed. Increased opportunity for fraud or financial loss has direct impact on management information. Has adverse effect on service performance	Maria *Lloyd; Ricky *Moffat; Garry *Sheret; Head of Adult and Social Care; Kevin Anderson; Gary Fairley; Ian Johnson; Joan Tranent	Services have been prompted to consider fraud and waste within Service Risk Registers. Risk Management Guide, provides direction on the need to balance time, effort and cost against benefit of risk controls. Internal Audit examine internal control arrangements based largely on the risk registers. Whistleblowing Policy. Internal and external assurance.	3	3	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.12.0 3	Investigation on Road Contract Management	Q1 18/19: Investigation on Road Contract Management was reported to Special Audit Committee on 15 May 2018, with a follow up report presented on 18 June 2018.	Chief Executive	18-Jun-2018	

SRP.RR.13 Climate Change

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.13	Risk cause Council Services not adequately engaged, resourced or directed to fulfil the requirements of the Climate Change Act Risk event Council Services not responding to the Climate Change Act with sufficient pace. Risk effect Council failing to meet its obligation under the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 and incurring the associated reputational damage.	lan Johnson	Statutory requirement to report on compliance with the climate change duties. Council Carbon Management Plan Approval of a Corporate Climate Change and sustainable development action plan Implementation of provisions of Internal Audit report approved by Audit Committee 1 May 2018.	3	3	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.13.0 1	Adaptive Planning	Q1 18/19: Adaptive planning proposal to be brought forward to CMT.	lan Johnson	30-Nov-2018	

SRP.RR.14.1 Scottish Abuse Inquiry

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Ilmnact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.14.1	Risk Cause: Midlothian Council and its legacy organisations, predating the creation of Midlothian Council in 1996, have been involved in the provision of care of children going back to living memory. During this time there is the likelihood that the care children received fell below standards of care now in place. There is the further potential the some people in the care of Midlothian Council and its legacy organisations were subject to abuse by those who were employed to care for them. Risk Event: The Scottish Government began an Inquiry into cases of Child Abuse occurring prior to 17 December	Joan Tranent	The Council have set up an Abuse Inquiry Project Team to support the Council to prepare for information requests to support the Inquiry. In addition we have now set up a Claims Project Team to map out how claims will be made to the Local Authority and how we shall then manage them The Inquiry Team have established a Project Plan covering: 1. Residential establishments, List D Schools and Foster Carers: identifying Children's homes, Foster Carers and any List D Schools in Midlothian over the last 100 years and researching historic records. 2. Record Audit: reviewing the Council's existing paper and electronic recordkeeping systems to identify relevant records and map them to	5	4	

2014, the intention of this enquiry is to identify historic case of abuse which have to date gone unreported. Risk Effect: If the inquiry finds historic cases of abuse in Midlothian this could damage the reputation of the Council and could place doubt in the eyes of the public as to the safety of these currently in care. There is significant scope for a substantial financial impact arising from claims of historic abuse. Some existing employees may be affected by the inquiry and subsequent claims of abuse.	residential establishments. This also includes, where possible, noting the Council's historic recordkeeping policies, such as retention schedules. 3. Cataloguing/Indexing: checking and updating existing recordkeeping systems for accuracy and consistency, enabling effective information retrieval when requested by the Inquiry. The Project Team have established a Project Plan covering: 4. Ascertaining the succession and insurance position in relation to potential historic child abuse claims. 5. Ascertaining and agreeing Midlothian Council's legal position/approach in dealing with the potential historic child abuse claims. 6. Identifying the need for guidance, protocol, templates etc should/if any claims be made against the council. 7. Consideration to identifying if additional staffing will be required as expected deluge of FOI's SAR's in 2018 from solicitors of potential claimants.		
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SRP.RA.14.0 Im		Q1 18/19 : A project team has been established. Project Plan has identified actions which are being progressed. Monthly meetings to progress project plan.	Joan Tranent	31-Mar-2019	

SRP.RR.14.2 Historic Abuse Claims Project

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.14.2	Risk Cause: Midlothian Council may receive claims as a result of the Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Act 2017 coming into force on 4th October 2017. The Limitation (Childhood Abuse) (Scotland) Act 2017 means survivors of child abuse no longer face the time-bar that requires person injury actions for civil damages to be made within three years of the related incident. The new limitation regime will have retrospective effect (up to including 1964) Risk Event: Midlothian Council has established a Claims Working Group to prepare for the management of any	Joan Tranent	Agreed further update to Council in December 2018 to keep them abreast of the current situation and potential implications around staffing and future financial costs. The Qualified One Way Costs Shifting (QOCS) is a change in legislation that will mean we cannot recover costs unless the pursuer has made a fraudulent claim or has been ;manifestly unreasonable' This basically takes away all risk for pursuers so if the they lose they won't have to worry about paying the Council's costs. There is no definite date as yet but CoSLA suspect this could come into force around October 2018. The impact of this could result in more claims being made.	4	5	<u> </u>

claim that is received (including support for victims). The Claims Working Group has established a process ('Claims Procedure') for dealing with the claims.		
Risk Effect: There is potential risk of reputational damage to the Council should any claims be made. In addition there is a financial risk should we have to either defend or pay out for any claims		

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SRP.RA.14.2- 1	Training staff	Q1 18/19: Training has been rolled out to all relevant staff and the website has additional information about making a referral and what supports are available as well as regular updates on the progress of the inquiry to all staff. Many solicitors will make initial contact with Midlothian Council via a Freedom of Information Request or a Subject Access Request. We have mapped out our insurance position in relation to potential historic child abuse claims and have regular discussions around any potential claims. We are exploring joint working opportunities with other Local Authorities who were once part of Lothian Region to agree how we shall deal with future claims.	Joan Tranent	31-Mar-2019	
SRP.RA.14.2- 2	Communications Strategy	Q1 18/19: We have a communication strategy and ensure that our websites have up to date information relating to claims and support for survivors. It is planned to take an updated report to Council in December 2018.	Joan Tranent	31-Mar-2019	

SRP.RR.15 Review of Pay & Grading

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.15	Risk cause Investment to reduce in-work poverty need to improve flexibility, productivity and service quality. Many current policies and terms and conditions, including pay arrangements have been constructed around a Monday - Friday, 9 - 5 working week, with many services requiring to deliver services 7 days a week beyond 9-5. Risk event	Gary Fairley	Investing in our Workforce Project Board focussed on securing the gains. Governance on the 4 strands of work from Council: Life Long Learning, Policy, Pay, Non Financial Benefits. Launch of new People Policies on 1st March 2017. Communications plan to ensure all employees know what is changing and how this will impact them and service delivery.	4	4	

Council does not see improvements in productivity and flexibility across the workforce. Council services are not competitive against the voluntary 3rd or private sector.		
Risk effect Investment in pay and grading not translating into positive productivity gains for the Council.		

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SRP.RR.16 Growing Council

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.16	Risk cause Population growth in Midlothian over the next 10 - 15 years will see Midlothian become the fastest growing Council in Scotland 0-15 population increase, projected at 20% and 75+ population increase projected to increased by 100% between 2014 and 2039. Risk event Failure to resource and plan for these rises will significantly impact the Councils ability to fulfil its statutory obligations in relation to these groups. Risk effect Inadequate capacity within the school estate to cope with the projected increase in pupil numbers. In sufficient provision to support an aging population placing costly inefficiencies on other parts of the care sector. General population increase placing additional demand on infrastructure including GP services. Increased pressure on infrastructure, services e.g. waste collection and growth of road network as new development roads are adopted.	John *Blair; Mary *Smith; A.Short (Joint Director Midlothian Health and Social Care Partnership)	1. Local development plan 2. Services planning future service provision on the basis of anticipated service demands 3. The change programme 4. Learning Estate Strategy 5. Capital Strategy Strategy 6. Housing Strategy 7. IJB Strategic Plan	4	5	

SRP.RR.17 UK Decision to leave the EU

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
	Risk cause UK vote to leave the European Union					
SRP.RR.17	Risk event UK leaving the European Union Risk effect The impacts associated with the UK's decision to leave the UK have yet to be realised and will only become clear as negotiations progress following the triggering of article 50. There are some direct potential impacts such as an end to EU funding of Council co-ordinated projects and indirect impacts on industries undertaken within the geographical area which have relied on EU funding, such as agriculture. There are wider potential implications arising from uncertainty regarding the resident status of EU nationals, post any exit agreement, and the availability of workers from outside the UK accessing the job market here in the future. These factors have the potential to impact on the availability of the right people with the right skills being available to help grow the economy here in Midlothian. One area this could affect the Council could be in the delivery of future building projects within Midlothian which could curtail further economic growth.	(Joint Director	01 - The Council will monitor the implications of the UK's decision to leave the EU on the Council through its risk management approach and will develop approaches to respond to specific risks as further clarity on impact becomes clearer.	3	4	

SRP.RR.18 Political uncertainty - Education Governance Review

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.18	Risk cause Delivering Excellence and Equity in Scottish Education: A Delivery Plan for Scotland and new Education (Scotland) Bill 2017.	Maria *I lovd	01 - Midlothian Council has made a formal response to the Scottish Government on its consultation. 02 - Council has been kept informed of the Midlothian's response to the consultation	3	4	
	Risk event		***			

Future decision by Scottish Government on the outcome of governance review, which seeks a move to regional based Education.		
Risk effect Midlothian Council recognises that closing the attainment gap is not a task which can be achieved by schools or the Education Service alone but requires a total Midlothian approach. The delivery plan has made a commitment to regional working although is limited in detail on what this would look like. In the event the approach taken impedes the total Midlothian approach this could inhibit rather than support the efforts to close the attainment gap.		

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.18.0	Government statement on Education (Scotland) Bill	Q1 18/19: On 26 June 2018 the Cabinet Secretary for Education published the bill but postponed bringing it to the Scottish Parliament to allow for 'collaboration' with local authorities to deliver the sought-after improvements instead. The agreement with COSLA is intended to deliver the principles of school empowerment and achieve a teacher led education system without legislation.	Maria *Lloyd	22-Jun-2018	Ø

SRP.RR.19 Health & Safety

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.19	Risk cause Failing to identify and rectify non compliance with Health and Safety regulations. Risk event Employees required to undertake tasks they are not competent to. Statutorily driven health and safety protective arrangements for service users and employees not implemented correctly. Non compliance with policy and procedure Not undertaking audits and inspections to confirm adherence to policy and legislative requirements. Risk effect	*Smith; A.Short (Joint Director Midlothian Health	01 - Suite of Health and Safety Management Arrangements developed setting out council response to statutory obligations 02 - Comprehensive range of Health & Safety Management & Assessment based development opportunities for line managers 03 - Use of Health & Safety Management Information System to enhance information transfer and organisational efficiency	3	5	

Serious injury of ill health impact on employees and or service users. Negative impact on outcomes for customers/service users. Service users and employees exposed to hazards where statutory requirements exist. Statutory health and safety - duty of care over services users and employees not met. Criminal prosecution of the Corporate body and or individuals through Corporate Homicide (Corporate	
Manslaughter) Significant financial penalties from Criminal Prosecution.	

OPPORTUNITIES

SRP.OP.01 Shawfair

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.OP.01	The Shawfair development with its new Rail link provides a major incentive for house builders, employers retail and commercial interests including opportunities to secure a low carbon community through district heating from Zero Waste.	lan Johnson	Shawfair Development Group. Legal agreement with developers to secure developer contributions (Section 75) Plan for entire community: Business and industrial provision, including small business incubator space. Circa 4000 new homes A school campus comprising Early Years, Nursery, Primary, Secondary & Life Long Learning provision New Primary schools	5	4	

SRP.OP.02 Borders Rail

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.OP.02	Regeneration of priority communities of Midlothian through which the railway passes. The line provides ready access to education/training at Edinburgh College, Borders College and Queen Margaret University with improved access to the labour markets in Edinburgh and the Borders. Also a catalyst for housing growth. Ensuring Midlothian secures appropriate levels of Blueprint funding.	lan Johnson	Designated Project Manager post. Maximising the Impact: A blueprint for the Future - published by the blueprint group involving Scottish Government, Scottish Borders, Midlothian and City of Edinburgh Council, Transport Scotland, Scottish Enterprise and Visit Scotland. The document sets out the ambitions of the partners to realise the full potential of the new Railway. Dedicated Tourism Development post - March 2019. Timely submission of bids for approval by the Blueprint Group.	5	4	<u> </u>

SRP.OP.03 Easter Bush - Penicuik

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.OP.03	Fast Growing opportunities in Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) with opportunities to link with education. Partnership links to schools and university sector at the 'Bush' to promote STEM. Link to City Deal	lan Johnson	Planning in place around creating Secondary Schools as centres for excellence linked to specialisms including STEM. Land allocated for expansion. Midlothian Science Zone.	5	4	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.OP.03.A	A702 Trunk Road Improvements	Q1 18/19: City Deal business case for Easter Bush expansion includes A702 road scheme to improve long term strategic access. Through liaison with Edinburgh University and Transport Scotland within the context of City Deal.	lan Johnson	31-Mar-2019	

SRP.OP.04 City Deal

	Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
Ş	SRP.OP.04	South East Scotland Region City Deal - a bid for funding to Scottish and UK Governments to accelerate economic growth through investment in infrastructure/ housing/ skills and innovation. 200 Council Houses linked to the City Deal.	lan Johnson	Key projects identified. Heads of terms agreed by partners (the six Councils of the region together with the private sector business community and higher/further education sectors) in July 2017. Final full deal agreed by Council in June 2018. Formal signing due August 2018. Securing best arrangements for Midlothian through close liaison with partners and conclusion of business cases.	5	5	

SRP.OP.05 Growing Council

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood		Risk Evaluation
SRP.OP.05	Midlothian Council has been identified as the fastest growing Council's in Scotland. This brings the opportunity to support the Council vision of being 'A Great Place to	lan Johnson	Community Planning Partnership The Single Midlothian Plan The Integration Joint Board	5	5	

Grow'. As a growing Council this brings the opportunity to redevelop parts of Midlothian, improve infrastructure with a focus on area targeting, improving economic opportunities, improving education and health outcome.		
This growth creates the opportunity to meet the housing need with 25% of new homes being built in the affordable housing bracket, in addition to the expansion in Council House building. This construction will directly support employment in construction and will see a steady increase in the volume of Council tax received over time.		

SRP.OP.07 Creating a world Class Education System

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.OP.07	The Centres of Excellence model is a core part of the Council's strategy to create a world-class education system in Midlothian. This is an ambitious project designed to deliver excellence and equity with a particular emphasis on interrupting the cycle of poverty.		Digital Centre of Excellence at Newbattle Community High School Partnership agreement with the University of Edinburgh	4	5	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.OP.A.07	Research and development	Q1 18/19 : Research and development on the Centre of Excellence continues a number of work streams are planned to support its implementation. Work streams are set out in update report to Council in June 2018.	Maria *Lloyd	31-Mar-2019	