# Strategic Risk Profile

## 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.	Services; Head of Commercial Operations; Head of Customer and Housing; Director of Education Communities and Economy; Head of Education; Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support;; Head of Primary Care and Older People's Services; Head of Property and Facilities	<ol> <li>Change Programme including Delivering Excellence framework which addresses projected budget shortfalls.</li> <li>Delivering Excellence Management Tools to support the application of the framework.</li> <li>Action to ensure that the financial impact of change proposals is verified and that evidence is available to support delivery in the prescribed timescales.</li> <li>Section 95 Officer will rely on that evidence determining if change programme savings are deliverable</li> <li>Financial Strategy.</li> <li>Leadership from all Elected members Executive Team and Senior Leadership Group.</li> <li>Appropriated governance in place across the Change Programme.</li> <li>Links between Change Programme and Workforce Plans</li> <li>Resilience planning.</li> <li>Senior Leadership Group regularly considering Change Programme and budget position.</li> <li>Capacity to deliver change.</li> <li>Health and Social Care transformation board monitoring the 12 transformation strands on a monthly basis.</li> </ol>	5	5	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.IA.02.01		Change Programme Dashboard prepared by each Head of Service and reported	Director of Resources; Head of Adult and	31-Dec-2018	



		by finance team supported in addition to continued quarterly financial reporting by Financial Services. The Financial Strategy Report to October Council set out updated projections for future years and a revised timeline and governance to arrive at 2019/20 budget. This next update report will be in November 2018 which will detail progress. Council agreed on the 2 October 2018 that each political group will work with the support of officers will bring forward budget proposals.	Social Care; Head of Children's Services; Head of Commercial Operations; Head of Customer and Housing; Director of Education Communities and Economy; Head of Education; Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support; A.Short (Joint Director Midlothian Health and Social Care Partnership); Head of Property and Facilities Management; Director of Resources		
SRP.IA.02.02	Bottom up Service Reviews - Phase 1	<b>Q2 18/19</b> : Bottom up Service review - remit of working group and proposed initial 3 phases of review programme set out in report to Council, June 2018 first meetings scheduled for October 2018	Head of Commercial Operations; Head of Property and Facilities Management	31-Mar-2019	

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.	Head of Customer and Housing: Director	<ol> <li>Applying discretionary housing payment to offset full impact of under occupancy charge (also known as bedroom tax)</li> <li>Work with 3rd sector to mitigate individual case circumstance were applicable.</li> <li>Scottish welfare fund available for hardship cases, emergency food packs available a relevant council offices. Food banks in operation within Midlothian.</li> <li>Protocol established and in operation where families with children fall into arrears.</li> </ol>	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	Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support	<ol> <li>Medium term Financial Strategy and multi-year Change Programme.</li> <li>Maintaining a level of reserves to deal with unforeseen or one off cost pressures.</li> <li>Sustainable Capital Strategy.</li> <li>Continued work with Strategic Leadership Group to ensure financial sustainability.</li> <li>Programme monitoring - continual reassessment of grant settlement prospects by the Finance Team.</li> <li>Review of Capital Strategy, General Services Capital Plan and Reserves Strategy.</li> <li>Working through COSLA to influence government spending decisions to influence Scottish Government's budget allocation to Councils.</li> </ol>	5	5	

Change Programme. Potentially further eroding reserves or requiring short term service reductions which impact on the Council's ability to deliver against its priorities.
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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.	Q2 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. Change programme dashboards to be verified by finance team supported in addition to continued quarterly financial reporting by Financial Services. The Financial Strategy Report to October Council set out updated projections for future years and a revised timeline and governance to arrive at 2019/20 budget. This next update report will be in November 2018 which will detail progress. Council agreed on the 2 October 2018 that each political group will work with the support of officers will bring forward budget proposals.	Housing; Director of Education Communities and Economy;	31-Dec-2018	

# Risks

#### SRP.RR.01 Balancing Budgets in future years/Impact of Budget Cuts/Financial Strength of Council

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 <b>Risk event:</b> 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. <b>Risk effect:</b> Gap in Council budget between budget commitments / pressures and funding level and inadequate options presented to address this, resulting in a structural deficit	Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support	<ol> <li>The Financial Strategy to 2022-23</li> <li>Work to progress the 2019/20 budget will be reported through council in November/December 2018 and finalised at council on 12 February 2019.</li> <li>Maintaining a level of reserves to deal with unforeseen or one off cost pressures.</li> <li>Finalised Capital Strategy to November Council</li> <li>Working through COSLA to influence government spending decisions to influence Scottish Government's budget allocation to Councils.</li> <li>Implement a lobbying strategy with government to recognise the unique position Midlothian Council is in.</li> </ol>	5	5	

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		Developing and implementing a Change Programme to ensure the long term financial sustainability.	Transformation Steering Group. Change programme dashboards to be verified by finance team supported in addition to continued quarterly financial	Head of Finance	31-Dec-2018	

		for future years and a revised timeline and governance to arrive at 2019/20 budget. This next update report will be in November 2018 which will detail progress. Strategic Leadership Group proposals were presented to Council 13.02.2018 to allow engagement. The Chief Executive has instructed the Directors to bring forward further reductions for 2018/19 following this Council meeting. Continued work with Strategic Leadership Group to ensure financial sustainability. Council agreed on the 2 October 2018 that each political group will work with the support of officers will bring forward budget proposals.			
SRP.RA.01.0 2	Maintaining and ensuring sustainability of growth in asset base		· · · <b>J</b> · · · ·	31-Oct-2018	0

### 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 causeA change program that doesn't address the budget shortfall or contextual factors relating to the Midlothian area Reduced resources Leadership fit for the future 	Head of Finance and Integrated	<ol> <li>Financial Strategy and Change Programme</li> <li>Leadership from all elected members, Executive Team and Senior Leadership Group.</li> <li>Appropriated governance in place across the Change Programme.</li> <li>Links between Change Programme and Workforce Plans</li> <li>Resilience planning.</li> <li>Senior Leadership Group regularly considering Change Programme and budget position.</li> <li>Capacity to deliver change.</li> </ol>	4	4	è

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						
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Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA - 02.02	Continue to provide medium term financial projections to Council.	2018 which includes details of Change Programme to allow engagement.	Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support	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.	Communities and Economy; Head of Education; Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support;	<ol> <li>Directors and Heads of Service responsible for identifying applicable legislation and propose Council or Service responses to CMT and Cabinet/Council as required.</li> <li>Annual Assurance Statement.</li> </ol>	3	3	

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SRP.RA.03.0 1	Legal & Regulatory Compliance	<b>Q2 18/19</b> : Heads of Service ensuring compliance with statutory obligations and making CMT, Cabinet/Council aware as required.	Head of Adult and Social Care; Head of Children's Services; Head of Commercial Operations; Head of Customer and Housing; Director of Education Communities and Economy; Head of Education; Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support; Head of Property and Facilities Management; Director of Resources	31-Mar-2019	
SRP.RA.03.0 3	Demographic Growth	<b>Q2 18/19</b> : 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	Head of Education	31-Jul-2020	
SRP.RA.03.0 5	Participatory Budgeting	<b>Q2 18/19</b> : Development of a strategy or action plan to comply with requirements of the Community Empowerment Act 2015.	Director of Education Communities and Economy;	31-Mar-2021	
SRP.RA.03.0 6	Education Act 2000 to be repealed.		Head of Education	31-Mar-2019	

#### SRP.RR.04 Employee performance

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.04	<ul> <li>Risk cause</li> <li>Employees not suitably trained/developed for the roles required of them.</li> <li>limited availability of qualified practitioners in certain sectors</li> <li>Change program not informed by all key stakeholders</li> <li>Ageing work force</li> <li>Employees unclear on expected behaviours.</li> <li>Employee productivity rate below the required level because of ineffective use of the People Policies particularly Maximising Attendance</li> <li>Risk event</li> <li>Employees not engaged/consulted as part of organisational transformation.</li> <li>Experienced employees leaving the organisation Unacceptable behaviours demonstrated by employees</li> <li>Stated organisational culture not consistently reinforced by managers</li> <li>Poor employee performance will stifle transformational change</li> <li>Risk effect</li> <li>Difficulties recruiting the right staff</li> <li>Challenges retaining quality staff</li> <li>Low skill levels</li> <li>Low morale, especially during change</li> <li>High absence rates, loss of experience in service areas.</li> <li>'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.</li> <li>Poor employee performance will Exacerbate the financial challenge</li> </ul>	Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support	<ul> <li>Over-riding risk control measure = Focus on having the right people, here, healthy, performing, behaving and well led via effective utilisation of the workforce strategy and accompanying action plan.</li> <li>Attendance / Wellbeing <ol> <li>Implementation of the Wellness@Midlothian agenda including service-level wellness plans.</li> <li>Implementation of Mental Health Framework.</li> <li>Maintaining the Healthy Working Lives Gold Award.</li> <li>Proactive use of Occupational Health, Midlothian Physiotherapy, Employee Assistance Programme and the Workplace Chaplaincy Service.</li> <li>Range of related policies and management guidance.</li> <li>Development of progressive People Policies.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Performance <ol> <li>Council-side and Service-level workforce plans.</li> <li>Structured, robust, well established 'Making Performance Matter' Framework where expected standards of behaviour and Council values are re-enforced.</li> <li>Reviewed Code of Conduct.</li> <li>Employee engagement sessions commencing in January following publication of the staff survey results.</li> <li>Continued re-enforcement of all People Policies involving various communication methods.</li> <li>Development of a suite of management information to ensure Service Managers are informed e.g. turnover, absence levels/reasons etc.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Organisational Change <ol> <li>Revised Policy for Organisational Change including strong emphasis on early engagement of employees.</li> <li>Redeployment.</li> <li>Agreed protocol for accessing the Redeployment Fund.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Conduct <ol> <li>Resolution Policy encourages early intervention in workplace issues.</li> <li>Professional standards and values to be re-enforced in structured format.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	3	4	

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SRP.RA.02.0 3	Workforce Strategy	<b>Q2 18/19</b> : Continued ongoing delivery of the workforce strategy actions	Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support	31-Mar-2019	
SRP.RA.02.0 4	Wellness Strategy	Q2 18/19: Implementation of the Wellness@ Midlothian agenda.	Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support	30-Jun-2018	
SRP.RA.02.0 5	Redeployment Arrangements	Q2 18/19: Redeployment fund arrangements finalised.	Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support	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         Partners prioritising activity in areas not in-line 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.	Education Communities and Economy; A.Short (Joint Director Midlothian Health	<ol> <li>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 &amp; Social Care Integration) have developed and Strategic Plan.</li> <li>Approved integration scheme.</li> <li>Service Directions in Place.</li> <li>Community Asset Transfer</li> <li>Work with Communities</li> <li>IJB Annual Performance report</li> </ol>	3	3	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.05.0 1	Cross Council approach to working with communities	102 18/10: Entorprising with Communities Working Group established - 5 key	Director of Education	31-Mar-2021	

	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.			
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## 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 		<ol> <li>Information Management Group</li> <li>Public Sector Network Compliance.</li> <li>Meta Compliance</li> <li>Information Management, awareness raising program (Private-i)</li> <li>General Data Protection Regulation Project plan implemented with close report.</li> <li>Public sector cyber security compliance</li> <li>Implementing Scottish Government Cyber Security Action Plan</li> </ol>	3	5	

### SRP.RR.07 Care at Home

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.	Head of Primary Care and Older People's Services	<ol> <li>Care at Home improvement action plan in place and near compaction</li> <li>Appointment to Team Lead posts to support Complex care to enhance local leadership at operational level</li> <li>New Framework agreement in place with significant improvement in quality from Providers</li> <li>Flow management planning in development to maximise Care at Home capacity going forward</li> <li>Weekly provider meetings in place</li> <li>Additional locum team members recruited to for contingency cover</li> <li>New Leadership model in place</li> <li>Daily discharge meeting with Multidisciplinary and Multi-agency team planning to plan and coordinate discharge to ensure care at hone support in place</li> </ol>	3	4	

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

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.08	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 can be damaged during more extreme weather events or as a result of a lack of maintenance.         Risk effect         In the case of Roads Services there is a real risk of increased potholes and insurance claims, reduced skid resistance leading to higher accident potential and building up of higher costs in the future. In respect of vehicles, increased breakdowns, service failures, greater maintenance inevitable, higher short-term hire costs. In terms of property, health and safety issues arise, failure to meet current standards and higher running costs. There is also the risk of two-tier accommodation, some high quality, some low.	Head of Commercial	<ol> <li>There is provision in place within the capital plan for investment in the asset base.</li> <li>Asset register</li> <li>Conditional Survey</li> <li>Understanding of future asset needs</li> <li>Asset Strategy:         <ul> <li>Roads</li> <li>Land</li> <li>Fleet</li> <li>Digital Service Network</li> <li>Digital Service hardware</li> <li>Capital program - investment in estate.</li> <li>On going monitoring of properties by: Maintenance Surveyors, Facilities Management and Property Users.</li> <li>Introduction of Capital Plan and Asset Management Board</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	3	3	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.08.0 2	Appropriate investment in capital works and remedial maintenance over the lifespan of each property asset.	works carried out during summer, on going through quarter 2.	Head of Property and Facilities Management	31-Mar-2019	
SRP.RA.08.0 3	Review of capital plan.	107 18/19: Uratt Capital Stratedy reported to June Council 2018 elected	Head of Property and Facilities Management	31-Oct-2018	8

SRP 4	.RA.08.0		through 2018/19. Information to be taken to capital board on future need for next 5 years.	Operations	31-Mar-2019	
SRP 3	.RA.16.0	Demographic Growth	LINTRACTRUCTURE REALIFED TO MEET THOSE ADMORRAPHIC PRESSURES PRESENTED TO		31-Jul-2020	

## 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         Censure through non-compliance with the Civil Contingencies Act         Not adequately recovering from the loss of major accommodation (e.g. secondary school, main offices), computer systems and staff         Not able to respond to a major emergency in the community         Fatal Accident Inquiries	Chris Lawson; Jane Young	<ul> <li><u>Potential</u> sub risks include:-</li> <li>01 – Civil Contingencies Risk Register used to highlight key risks and record response,</li> <li>Council's plans developed and maintained in response to identified risks,</li> <li>Contingency Planning Group support development, peer review and roll out of plans.</li> <li>02 – Establishment based incident response plans in place and maintained locally.</li> <li>03 – Emergency response plan setting out general approach to respond to a major emergency in-line with key partner organisations.</li> <li>04 – As part of the Council's Emergency response plan the importance of recording decisions made and information available at the time is highlighted as this would be scrutinised in the event of an FAI.</li> </ul>	3	4	

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	<b>Q2 18/19</b> : 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; Jane Young	31-Mar-2019	
SRP.RA.09.0 3	Rest Centre Provision		Head of Adult and Social Care	31-Aug-2018	8

### 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.	of Education Communities and Economy; Head of Education; Head of Finance and Integrated	<ol> <li>Single Midlothian Plan providing overarching direction</li> <li>Service plans aligned to Single Midlothian Plan.</li> <li>Leadership team to ensure correct approaches are adopted to get the right results.</li> <li>Strategic housing investment plan, submitted to Scottish Government in December 2018, positive feedback with allocated funding.</li> <li>Community Safety Strategic assessment completed.</li> <li>Procurement Strategy 2018 7. Capital Strategy</li> </ol>	2	3	<b>I</b>

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### SRP.RR.12 Internal Control Environment

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.12	Risk causeWork 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. 	Communities and Economy; Head	<ol> <li>Services have been prompted to consider fraud and waste within Service Risk Registers.</li> <li>Risk Management Guide, provides direction on the need to balance time, effort and cost against benefit of risk controls.</li> <li>Internal Audit examine internal control arrangements based largely on the risk registers.</li> <li>Whistleblowing Policy.</li> <li>Internal and external assurance.</li> </ol>	3	3	

### 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	Education Communities and	<ol> <li>Statutory requirement to report on compliance with the climate change duties.</li> <li>Council Carbon Management Plan</li> <li>Approval of a Corporate Climate Change and sustainable development action plan</li> <li>Implementation of provisions of Internal Audit report approved by Audit Committee 1 May 2018.</li> </ol>	3	3	

Council failing to meet its obligation under the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009 and incurring the associated reputational damage.						
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Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.RA.13.0 1	Adaptive Planning	<b>Q2 18/19</b> : Adaptive planning proposal to be brought forward to CMT.	Director of Education Communities and Economy;	30-Nov-2018	

## SRP.RR.14.1 Scottish Abuse Inquiry

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	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 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.	Head of Children's	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 a Claims Project Team who have mapped out how we shall manage any future claims reported against the Local Authority. 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 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.	5	4	

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SRP.RA.14.0 1	Implementation of Project Plan		Head of Children's Services	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	<ul> <li>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)</li> <li>Risk Event: Midlothian Council has established a Claims Working Group to prepare for the management of any claim that is received (including support for victims). The Claims Working Group has established a process ('Claims Procedure') for dealing with the claims.</li> <li>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</li> </ul>	Head of Children's Services	<ol> <li>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.</li> <li>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. At the time of writing there remains no date for implementation of this piece of legislation.</li> <li>SOLAR and COSLA have been in discussion with CELCIS who undertook consultation and engagement with victims/survivors of abuse. The outcome of which has resulted in a recommendation being made to Scottish Government to commit to establishing a financial compensation/redress schemes for victims/survivors. Whilst the implementation of such a scheme may still be some way off, this may mitigate some of the financial risks that the Local Authority was potentially facing.</li> </ol>	4	5	

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SRP.RA.14.2- 1	Training staff	of Information Request or a Subject Access Request.	Head of Children's Services	31-Mar-2019	
SRP.RA.14.2- 2	Communications Strategy	Inave up to date information relating to claims and support for survivors. It is	Head of Children's Services	31-Mar-2019	
SRP.RA.14.2- 3	Assess need to make financial provision	lavelaned and the funding of claims is understood an accessment on the	Head of Children's Services	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 	and Integrated Service Support	<ol> <li>Investing in our Workforce Project Board focussed on securing the gains.</li> <li>Governance on the 4 strands of work from Council: Life Long Learning, Policy, Pay, Non-Financial Benefits.</li> <li>Launch of new People Policies on 1st March 2017.</li> <li>Communications plan to ensure all employees know what is changing and how this will impact them and service delivery.</li> </ol>	4	4	è

SRP.RA.15.0 1	the workforce.	focussed on securing these gains. Report to be taken to Audit Committee in September 2018.	Service Support	30-Sep-2018	
SRP.RA.16.0 3	Demographic Growth	Intractructure required to meet these demographic pressures presented to		31-Jul-2020	

#### 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.		<ol> <li>Local development plan and supplementary guidance on developer contributions.</li> <li>Services planning future service provision on the basis of anticipated service demands</li> <li>The change programme</li> <li>Learning Estate Strategy</li> <li>Capital Strategy</li> <li>Strategy</li> <li>Housing Strategy</li> <li>IJB Strategic Plan</li> </ol>	4	5	

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SRP.RA.16.0 3	Demographic Growth		31-Jul-2020	

## SRP.RR.17 UK Decision to leave the EU

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
Risk Code	Risk Identification         Risk cause         UK vote to leave the European Union         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.	Director of Resources; Director of Education Communities and Economy; A.Short (Joint Director Midlothian Health and Social Care Partnership)	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.	Likelihood 3	4	

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SRP.RA.17.A 1			Head of Adult and Social Care; Head of Children's Services; Head of Commercial Operations; Head of Customer and Housing; Head of Education; Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support; Head of Primary Care	31-Dec-2018	

	and Older People's Services; Head of Property and Facilities Management	
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## 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.Risk event 	Head of Education	<ol> <li>Report in November 2017 to council on the progress of Regional collaborative. Further report to Council on the plan due in November 2018.</li> <li>Education Scotland visiting the Council for Empowerment evaluation on 8 Nov 2018.</li> </ol>	3	4	

# 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	Director of Education Communities and Economy;	<ul> <li>01 - Suite of Health and Safety Management Arrangements developed setting out council response to statutory obligations</li> <li>02 - Comprehensive range of Health &amp; Safety Management &amp; Assessment based development opportunities for line managers</li> <li>03 - Use of Health &amp; Safety Management Information System to enhance information transfer and organisational efficiency</li> </ul>	3	5	

implemented correctly.	lidlothian Health nd Social Care artnership)	
Risk effectSerious 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.		

### SRP.RR.20 Early Years Expansion (1140 Hours)

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.20	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% in         addition the Scottish Government has made a commitment         to increase the current provision of free early years care         from 600 to 1140 hours.         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 and/or Early         Years to cope with the projected increase in numbers. Lack         of staffing and/or financial support to build new schools	Head of Education	1. Learning Estate Strategy 2. Early Years Expansion to 1140 hours updates 3. Capital Strategy	4	5	

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SRP.RA.20.A 1			Head of	31-Jul-2020		
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## SRP.RR.21 Cyber Security

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.RR.21	<ul> <li>Risk Cause: Malicious attempts to damage, disrupt or gain unauthorised access to Council computer systems, networks or devices</li> <li>Risk Event: The Council is at significant risk of cyber-attack from Ransomware Phishing Emails, Advanced Persistent Threats (APT) and Distributed Denial of Service Attacks (DDOS) attacks. Hacking and Social Engineering.</li> <li>Risk Effect: Access to Council systems by cyber criminals and foreign intelligence agencies for financial, commercial or information gathering reasons. This could lead to significant financial losses, data compromise and subsequent regulatory sanction if our technical and organisational measures are deemed insufficient.</li> <li>Severe business disruption including the almost total loss of critical IT systems and networks leading to significant service delivery challenges.</li> </ul>	Head of Finance and Integrated Service Support	<ol> <li>Implementation of the Scottish Government Cyber Resiliency Public Sector Action Plan</li> <li>Cyber Essentials Plus Certification</li> <li>Public Sector Network Certification</li> <li>Appropriate technical and organisational measures deployed to reduce the likelihood and impact of an attack</li> <li>Employing an Information Governance and Security Lead</li> <li>Implementing Scottish Government Cyber Security Action Plan</li> </ol>	4	5	

# 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.	Education Communities and	<ol> <li>Shawfair Development Group.</li> <li>Legal agreement with developers to secure developer contributions (Section 75)</li> <li>Plan for entire community:</li> <li>Business and industrial provision, including small business incubator space.</li> <li>Circa 4000 new homes</li> <li>A school campus comprising Early Years, Nursery, Primary, Secondary &amp; Life Long Learning provision</li> <li>New Primary schools</li> </ol>	5	4	

#### SRP.OP.02 Borders Rail

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.OP.02	Passenger numbers after three years of operation are above projections. The railway has been, and continues to be a catalyst for economic development, access to training and labour markets, tourism growth, environmental improvements must notably in town centres, and access to the countryside.	Education Communities and	<ol> <li>Designated Project Manager post.</li> <li>Maximising the Impact: A blueprint for the Future - published by the blueprint group involving Scottish Government (to be refined in quarter 4),</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Dedicated Tourism Development post - March 2019.</li> <li>Timely submission of bids for approval by the Blueprint Group</li> <li>Close monitoring of approved funded projects.</li> </ol>	5	4	

#### SRP.OP.03 Easter Bush - Penicuik

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
SRP.OP.03	One of Midlothian's largest and most significant employment areas. 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. Need to secure long-term strategic road access to ensure continued growth.	Education Communities and Economy;	<ol> <li>Planning in place around creating Secondary Schools as centres for excellence linked to specialisms including Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).</li> <li>Land allocated for expansion.</li> <li>Midlothian Science Zone.</li> <li>City Deal funding to provide for growth and strategic road access.</li> </ol>	5	4	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.OP.03.A 1	A702 Trunk Road Improvements	<b>Q2 18/19</b> : City Deal business case for Easter Bush expansion includes A/02 road scheme to improve long term strategic access. Through liaison with Ediphurgh University and Transport Scotland within the context of City Deal	Director of Education Communities and Economy;	31-Mar-2019	

## SRP.OP.04 City Deal

Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	Risk Evaluation
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.	Education Communities and Economy;	<ol> <li>City Deal signed in August 2018.</li> <li>Maintain strong Midlothian involvement through the City Deal governance structure.</li> <li>Midlothian City Deal Key Officer (Internal) Group.</li> <li>Securing best arrangements for Midlothian through close liaison with partners and conclusion of business cases.</li> </ol>	3	5	

SRP.OP.05 Growing Council								
Risk Code	Risk Identification	Managed by	Risk Control Measures	Likelihood	Impact	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 Grow'. As a growing Council this brings the opportunity to redevelop parts of Midlothian, improve infrastructure with a	Chief Executive	<ol> <li>Community Planning Partnership</li> <li>The Single Midlothian Plan</li> <li>Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP)</li> </ol>	5	5			

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
	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.	Head of Education	<ol> <li>Digital Centre of Excellence at Newbattle Community High School</li> <li>Partnership agreement with the University of Edinburgh</li> </ol>	4	5	

Related Action Code	Related Action	Related action latest note	Managed By	Due Date	Status
SRP.OP.A.07 .01	Research and development	Is number of work streams are highned to support its implementation. Work		31-Mar-2019	