

Title of report	Revised Risk Policy
Public/confidential	Public
Action	For approval
Date of Publication	Before meeting
Summary/purpose of report	This report presents a revised risk policy for consideration.
Recommendations	The Council is asked to: 1. approve the risk policy.
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Link to Strategic Plan	The information in this report links to the Outcomes of the Strategic Plan
Link to the Risk Register	All risks
Documents attached	Appendix 1 - Revised Risk Policy
Background papers	None

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The SSSC's risk policy was last reviewed in 2017. Since then several developments in the field of risk management have taken place. Most recently the responsibility for risk for the SSSC has moved from Shared Services to the Directorate of Strategy and Performance.
- 1.2 The policy is due for review and the revised attached policy now reflects the above changes to the responsibility for risk management. This Policy was scrutinised by Audit and Assurance Committee at their meeting in December.

2. ONGOING DEVELOPMENTS

- 2.1 A new strategic risk register will be presented to Council in March 2020 and at this point Council will be asked to consider the risk appetite statement that will accompany the risk register.
- 2.2 Risk will now be reported as part of the Assurance Report to Audit and Assurance Committee.

3. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 We do not anticipate the revised policy requiring additional resources beyond those currently deployed.

4. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 An EIA was carried out in 2016. No equalities issues were identified.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

6. STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

- 6.1 There has been no stakeholder engagement in revising the policy.

7. IMPACT ON USERS AND CARERS

- 7.1 There is no direct impact on users and carers however, it is considered that revising the policy will strengthen the corporate governance framework which in turn supports the delivery of the SSSC's objectives and outcomes.

8. CONCLUSION

- 8.1 The Audit Committee has had ongoing oversight of the development of the SSSC's approach to risk management. This report presents a policy document for adoption and subsequent periodic review.