

Arun District Council

REPORT TO:	Audit and Governance Committee - 03 December 2024
SUBJECT:	Updated Risk Management Framework
LEAD OFFICER:	Antony Baden, Group Head of Finance and Section 151 Officer
LEAD MEMBER:	Cllr Matt Stanley
WARDS:	All
CORPORATE PRIORITY / POLICY CONTEXT / CORPORATE VISION: The Council's Risk Management Framework is used to govern and guide the Council's approach to risk management. The Risk Management Framework is an overriding document that will be applied corporately in the assessment of risks faced by the Council.	
DIRECTORATE POLICY CONTEXT: The Risk Management Framework will be applied by each directorate in the assessment of risks.	
FINANCIAL SUMMARY: There are no direct financial considerations in the adoption of the framework.	

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to highlight any amendments to the Council's Risk Management Framework. Resulting from the annual review.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1. Members of the Audit and Governance Committee are asked to consider and provide comments to officers on the updated Risk Management Framework.

3. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 3.1. The Council's Risk Management Framework has been reviewed and updated to take account of changing legislation, government initiatives, best practice and experience gained within the Council.
- 3.2. This report highlights any amendments resulting from the review.

4. DETAIL

- 4.1. The Audit and Governance Committee has oversight responsibility for the Council's risk management arrangements. The Council's Risk Management Framework was adopted by the Committee in November 2022. The last update was reported to the Committee in September 2023.
- 4.2. The Risk Management Framework is subject to review annually to take account of changing legislation, government initiatives, best practice and experience gained within the Council.
- 4.3. No significant changes were identified as part of the review.
- 4.4. The updated Risk Management Framework is included as Appendix 1 to this report, changes are highlighted for ease of reference.

5. CONSULTATION

- 5.1. There is no requirement for public consultation in relation to the Risk Management Framework, this is an internal risk management tool to govern and guide the approach to risk management at the Council.

6. OPTIONS / ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

- 6.1. Not applicable.

7. COMMENTS BY THE GROUP HEAD OF FINANCE/ S151 OFFICER

- 7.1. There are no direct financial implications. However, the application of a systematic approach to risk will help to identify and manage relevant financial risks.

8. RISK ASSESSMENT CONSIDERATIONS

- 8.1. This report is about risk management and all the relevant considerations are contained in the report and Appendix 1.

9. COMMENTS OF THE GROUP HEAD OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE & MONITORING OFFICER

- 9.1. There are no direct legal services implications. However, the application of a systematic approach to risk will help to identify and manage relevant legal risks.

10. HUMAN RESOURCES IMPACT

- 10.1. There are no direct human resource implications.

11. HEALTH & SAFETY IMPACT

- 11.1. There are no direct health and safety implications but the systematic approach to risk management will assist in identifying health and safety implications.

12. PROPERTY & ESTATES IMPACT

- 12.1. There are no direct property and estates implications.

13. EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) / SOCIAL VALUE

- 13.1. There are no direct implications but a systematic approach to risk will help identify equality impacts.

14. CLIMATE CHANGE & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT/SOCIAL VALUE

- 14.1. There are no direct implications. However a systematic approach to risk management will help identify and manage regulatory risks.

15. CRIME AND DISORDER REDUCTION IMPACT

- 15.1. None.

16. HUMAN RIGHTS IMPACT

- 16.1. None.

17. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION / DATA PROTECTION CONSIDERATIONS

- 17.1. There are no direct implications. However, the Corporate Risk Register will assist in the effective management of related risks.

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BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

Audit and Governance Committee report - 29 November 2022
[Arun District Council](#)

Audit and Governance Committee report - 28 September 2023
[Arun District Council](#)

Audit and Governance Committee report - 3 October 2024
[Arun District Council](#)