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Report Number: AuG/23/12

To: Audit and Governance Committee

Date: 13 September 2023 Status: Non-executive decision

Responsible Officer: Kirsty Roberts, Chief Officer, East Kent Leadership

Group

Subject: Corporate Risk Register Update

Summary: This report summarises changes to the Corporate Risk Register since it was last reported to A&G in February 2023.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. To receive and note report AuG/23/12.
- 2. A&G Committee regularly review the Corporate Risk Register to consider progress made against agreed actions, and consider the key risks faced by the organisation.

1. Update to the Corporate Risk Register

- 1.1 The updated Corporate Risk Register has been appended in full to this report (Appendix 1). For ease of reference the changes to the Risk Register have been highlighted (red). Additionally, the Risk Matrix, which is a pictorial snapshot of the current level of risks faced by the Council, is provided at Appendix 2 (with changes identified in italics).
- 1.2 The current Corporate Risk Register identifies 16 risks, which can be categorised as 1 moderate, 6 high and 8 extreme level risks. Compared to the February 2023 matrix which indicated 6 high and 9 extreme level risks.

1.3 The key changes made include:

2 new risks identified for:

•	C2 – Otterpool Park Delivery, achieving planning approval is very good
	news but moving into the next phase for this project brings substantial
	financial and delivery risks.
•	C8 – Strategic Future of Princes Parade, replaces previous risk around
	Princes Parade Delivery due to Member decisions around the future of
	the site (both risks left in the register to show how this has changed,
	new risk highlighted in green).

4 risks have updated ratings:

•	C2 – Otterpool Park Planning and Place, planning permission likely to slip to first quarter 2024 at earliest
•	C8 – Full implications of Princes Parade unclear, likelihood of issue remaining after mitigations has increased
•	C11 – Waste Collection, risk has reduced due to threat of industrial action being lower
•	C12 – Cyber threat, increased risk perceived due to increase in attacks on Local Government

Additionally a number of risks have been updated to reflect changes since February 2023.

3. LEGAL/FINANCIAL AND OTHER CONTROLS/POLICY MATTERS

Legal Officer's Comments (AK)

There are no legal implications arising directly from this report

Finance Officer's Comments (OO)

There are no direct financial implications from this report.

Diversities and Equalities Implications (GE)

There are no direct implications from this report.

4. CONTACT OFFICERS AND BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Councillors with any questions arising out of this report should contact the following officer prior to the meeting:

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The following background documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report: None

Appendices:

Appendix 1: Corporate Risk Register Appendix 2: Corporate Risk Matrix