

## ABINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

Report to	FINANCE, GOVERNANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT
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### STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER

1. **Purpose of the Report**

To **consider** the council's register of strategic risks for 2021-22.

2. **Summary**

Local councils are required to consider all risks which may reduce their ability to provide services and meet their key objectives. There is a legal requirement for the council to formally consider its risks at least annually.

There are no uncontrolled risks which could have a significant impact on the council. We have identified some further actions which could reduce the likelihood of some risks occurring and these will form an action plan. Progress on these will be reported at a later date.

3. **Action required**

The committee is requested to **recommend to Full Council** that the strategic risk register be approved.

This will require a proposer, a seconder, and a vote.

4. **Link to strategic plan and objectives**

Key objective 1: To respond effectively and speedily to the climate emergency.

Key objective 2: To develop a resilient, sustainable town which will provide a home for residents now and in the future

Key objective 3: To manage the Council's assets efficiently and effectively to meet for the needs of the community now and in the future.

Key objective 4: To work with community partners to support those who are vulnerable and in need and to create opportunities to increase social inclusivity.

5. **Key information and options**

The risks recorded in [APPENDIX A](#) have been identified by your officers. These relate to

the strategic plans of the council and do not include day-to-day risks. The strategic risk register is supported by operational level risk plans and controls.

For each strategic risk identified, an assessment has been made regarding:

- (i) The likelihood of the risk occurring (low, medium, or high)
- (ii) The impact on the council should the risk occur (low, medium, or high)

The impact on the council considers business continuity, the financial impact and the reputation of the council.

For each risk, officers have identified the controls in place to lesson the likelihood of the risk occurring. For some risks, improvements to controls have been identified and these will form an action plan for officers to work towards implementing.

We have not identified any risks which are uncontrolled.

6. **Climate change/green implications**

None.

7 **Financial/budget implications**

None.

8. **HR implications**

None.

9. **Supporting papers and appendices**

[APPENDIX A: Strategic Risk Register](#)

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