Quarterly Summary of Progress with AGS Risk Action To Audit Committee 26th March 2019

Significant current issues from 2017/18 to focus on in 2018/19.

The risk actions below were identified in the 2017/18 AGS review. Progress will continue to be made in 2018/19, monitored and driven forward by the Service Managers Group and reported to Audit Committee quarterly.

Please note that as part of the last AGS it was determined that:

- Information Management and IT disaster recovery: significant progress has been made and the decision was taken that this is no longer significant
- Three new areas to 'watch' identified WGC governance arrangements; use of professional advice and Housing Responsible Officer duties

	What actions will be taken over the coming months	What progress have we made against each action	RAG Status
Information Management: Legal and	2017/18 AGS narrative: During 2017/18 significant progress has been made towards achieving the aim of being fully compliant with General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) by the implementation date in May 2018. However there remain a number of areas still in progression and due to the seriousness of non-compliance, until these are completed, this area will remain a significant issue	Data Protection Officer recruited and appointed March 18. The Information Governance Team devised and implemented a GDPR Action Plan and Working Group prior to GDPR coming into force 25 May 18. Some actions are ongoing including Contracts and partnerships review to include GDPR clauses.	Α
Democratic Services Manager	 AMBER to GREEN: Ongoing Information Governance Plan and Strategy to be devised and approved in working group. 	Original Data Protection Impact Assessment procedure rolled out to staff prior to May 18. Council customer privacy policy consulted on with staff and published on website May 18.	
DPO	 Privacy Impact Assessment procedure currently being improved upon following consultation with users. Continuation of review of Personal Data beyond retention for deletion particularly in systems. 	Access to personal information requests procedures updated to reflect new rights for Data Subjects. GDPR Policy drafted, approved and rolled out for all staff to acknowledge through net-consent system May 18.	
	 Continuation of expanding upon our Corporate Asset Register and Records of Processing. 	All Information Management Polices reviewed, updated and approved May 18.	

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 Finalisation of contracts and partnerships review for GDPR clauses and information sharing arrangements. Any additional work to ensure ongoing compliance with the Data Protection Act 2018 and GDPR 	 E-learning for Data Protection up to 90% completion rate for all staff as at March 2019. Information Asset Owner training has been completed and IAO annual checklists rolled out. First checklists returned by IAO's Sept 2018. GDPR guidance provided to all Members May 2018 and full training for new members. Member training took place on 11.10.18 and all members received copies of the training and guidance. A follow up session for members unable to attend was offered. Training for new members arranged for May 19. Contracts review continues. All new contracts and renewals have GDPR clauses. Existing contracts are being updated and reviewed based on risk. 	

	Areas of interest	Latest update
Partnership companies	 The council has little experience of the process of setting up a new partnership company (solely owned or a joint venture) and care needs to be taken to select the right governance framework arrangements, ensuring appropriate formal legalities and financial aspects are in place. At this point the only proposed new Company is the Housing Company. This has been put on hold until the appointment of a new Housing Director, who will decide on the need. At this point there are no other new ventures in the immediate frame, but the TFS Board has received a general report from the Finance consultant which contained views on when it is appropriate to consider using a partnership company and what safeguards to consider 	The need for a Local Authority Housing Company is now being questioned as it was originally seen as a vehicle in which we could provide new homes from borrowing outside of the Local Authority debt cap. In October 2018 it was announced that the HRA borrowing cap would be removed and therefore there is no longer a compelling need for the creation of a housing company.

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		Programme Board at significant milestones
		Executive is meeting on Wednesday 20 March to consider the next stages of the WGC scheme including:
		 Delivery Agreement: A confidential report setting out the commercial negotiation that has been reached on the landowner Delivery Agreement between the Council and Lindum in line with the key principles agreed by Executive on 24 September 2018. The agreement sets out the basis for how the landowners will work together to bring the development scheme forward; Scheme Viability: A commercially sensitive report on Scheme Viability where officers assessments show that so long as the Council delivers a significant proportion of the development itself and/or in a form of joint venture then the scheme is viable to proceed; Delivery of Phase 1a: As a result of the scheme viability assessment work it is proposed that the first 52 units on the Council itself for market housing. Sufficient resources, supported by Homes England grant, are available to deliver these new homes with any surpluses being set aside to help fund future phases. Planning Application Submission: A Part A report provides feedback from the latest consultation and seeks authority to submit the planning application.
Use of professional advice	Continually ensure that appropriate and timely professional advice is sought on key projects, policies and decisions It is particularly important that when reports are taken to Members for decisions, they have full information on all	A new Committee Report Template has been developed and communicated from Democratic Services to remove some duplication and to clarify the expectations of report writers
	relevant aspects.	Reports will not be accepted that have not allowed an appropriate period for consultation by the key areas – especially Finance and Legal. This continues to be monitored and any

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	To enable this to be completely up to date consultation is carried out with key departments as part of the report preparation. This consultation must allow sufficient time for individuals to assimilate the possible effects/costs etc. and respond	significant issues will be highlighted Legal and Finance representatives are invited to sit on all key Project/Programme Boards
	If an Equality analysis is not deemed necessary, an equality statement should be made on all decision reports in the appropriate section	
Responsible Officers	Ensure that the remaining Responsible Officer duties within the Housing services are fully rolled out during 2018/19	Strategic Director for Housing & Investment has tasked AD-I&S with completing this work.
	The Tree of responsibility identifies all Responsible Officers responsible for the day to day management and safety of	There is a designated name to each item on the list of HRA properties and land.
	designated property or land within the HRA. Housing Department are in the process of replicating work	Guidance has been adapted from the original (GF) guidance to ensure it is fully applicable to the HRA.
	undertaken across all other assets assisted by CH&S	We have identified the requisite changes to Job Descriptions.
	The aim is to complete the main stages – up to Job description changes by December 2018 . However it should be noted that all activities are still being carried out currently.	Appropriate training has been commissioned for the responsible officers.