Strategic Risk Register Progress Report

Strategic Risk: Pandemic Infection

No	Risk	Sub No.	Sub-Risk	% Overall Weighting	Impact / Consequences	Opportunity	Gross Risk Score			Controls and Mitigation	Nett Risk Score			Further Actions	Risk Manager	CLT Risk Owner	Target Date	Council Priority
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4	Pandemic Infection	4a	Impacts on the Council's ability to deliver critical services.	100%	Unable to provide adequate staffing to provide critical Council services. Impact on the supply chain as goods sourced internationally can not be obtained.	Increased momentum to ensure that robust business continuity arrangements are in place.	5	5	25	Links in place between the Public Health Team and Public Health England including liaison with the Chief Medical Officer. Staff signposted to advice provided by Public Health England. Business continuity plans in place across the Council. Arrangements in place for the storage of protective equipment if needed. Multi-agency working across via the Lancashire Resilience Forum.	5	3	15	Ongoing liaison with Public Health England to assess emerging risks and ensure appropriate mitigating actions are taken.	Public Health Consultant	Director of Public Health	March 2021	Communities
										Overall Nett Risk Score		15.0						

Sub-Risk: Impacts on the Council's ability to deliver critical services and wider impacts on the Town. (weighting 100%)		Gross Risk Score	Nett Risk Score
		25	**15**
	Risk Score in 2019/20	N/A	N/A

Risk Owner: Director of Public Health

Existing Controls in Place:

- Links in place between the Public Health Team and Public Health England including liaison with the Chief Medical Officer.
- Staff signposted to advice provided by Public Health England.
- Business continuity plans in place across the Council.
- Arrangements in place for the storage of protective equipment if needed.
- Multi-agency working across via the Lancashire Resilience Forum.

Actions:

Actions	Risk Manager	Current Position	Outcomes / Results
Ongoing liaison with Public Health England to assess emerging risks and ensure appropriate mitigating actions are taken. (Target Date: March 2021)	Public Health Consultant	• Cases of COVID-19 started to increase rapidly in the UK during the month of March. • Major Incident Declared by Council on 23rd March 2020. • Government introduced a lockdown on the same day. • Council implementing measures to limit the spread of infection, working from home where possible, asking residents to self-isolate if they have symptoms, amplifying the stay at home message, hand washing, Catch It Bin It Kill It. • Care Home outbreaks continue to be a concern.	• Current measures are suppressing the number of cases and deaths and we have now passed the peak and cases and deaths are now declining. • Death Data from the ONS up to the 17th of April shows that Blackpool has a low death rate from COVID when compared to other areas. • Corona Kindness Community Hubs are providing valuable support to many vulnerable people in our community by delivering essential support such as food and medicines • Adult Social Care have created a dedicated Provider Support and Resilience Hub to

		- Some restrictions have now been eased with regard to outdoor physical activity and more freedom for certain sections of the economy to return to work under strict COVID precautions. - On the 1st of June we moved into phase 2 of the pandemic response which will include limited opening of primary schools along with some non-essential retail also opening. - As the cases decline and we move into phase 2 of our response, we have moved to the Test, Track and Isolate phase. This will be important in our efforts to contain localised outbreaks. - Phase 3 will commence on the 4th of July with further restrictions being lifted on the hospitality industry. - All of these changes will be kept under strict review. If cases start to increase again then stricter measures may be re-implemented. - Main way out of this pandemic will be with a vaccine. - COVID-19 likely to be with us for the foreseeable future and we may well see further waves of infection in the months to come.	provide practical support to any social care provider requiring assistance including supply of PPE, infection control advice and urgent staffing support. Covid Secure Risk Assessment in place to ensure adequate health and safety arrangements are in place for Council employees (see appended document).