

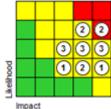
# To the Chair and Members of the AUDIT COMMITTEE

# Q1 2016/17 STRATEGIC RISK UPDATE

	Wards Affected	
Member(s)		Key Decision
Mayor Ros Jones	N/a	N/a

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1. The purpose of this report is to provide a progress update on Strategic Risks for Quarter 1 2016/17.
- 2. A review of Strategic Risks was undertaken as part of the challenge process to ensure that they reflected the priorities in the Corporate Plan for 2016/17. There are 17 Strategic Risks; all have been updated as part of the Quarter 1 reporting process. The Heat Map shows a summary of the scores.



- 3. No risks have been identified for demotion.
- 4. A new risk has been proposed to highlight the short, medium and long term implications and impacts of the referendum;

As a result of the decision for the UK to leave the European Union there is increased uncertainty across a number of policy and funding areas that could lead to disruptions in funding and/or projects locally in Doncaster.

5. As a result of the Quarter 1 challenge revised wording was developed for the risk around austerity;

The potential personal financial position facing individual citizens across Doncaster Borough may result in an increase of poverty and deprivation

# RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6. The Audit Committee members are asked to:
  - a) Note and comment on the report and the Strategic Risk profiles in Appendix A;
  - b) Note the revisions to the Strategic Risk Register (paragraphs 4 & 5)

## **EXEMPT REPORT**

7. Not Applicable

# WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE CITIZENS OF DONCASTER?

8. The embedding of robust risk management arrangements within the Council incorporating the management of strategic risks creates an environment in which we can successfully meet our objectives to deliver Doncaster's priorities and the Mayoral Priorities Outcome Framework.

## **OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

11. Not Applicable

## **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION**

12. Not Applicable

# IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY PRIORITIES

12.

Priority	Implications
All people in Doncaster benefit from a thriving and resilient economy.	
People live safe, healthy, active and independent lives.	The embedding of robust risk management arrangements within the Council will
People in Doncaster benefit from a high quality built and natural environment.	
All families thrive.	contribute to the effective
Council services are modern and value for money.	delivery of all the Council's key priorities
Working with our partners we will provide strong leadership and governance.	

# **RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS**

13. The Risk Management Policy includes a requirement to review strategic risks on a quarterly basis and this is a matter of good management and good governance.

# LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

14. Any specific implications will be reported separately and in the context of any initiative proposed to be taken in relation to the management of strategic risk.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

15. Should any specific initiatives be required, in response to the management of strategic risks, any cost implications will be reported and addressed as and when they arise.

# HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS

16. There are no direct human resources implications resulting from this report

## **TECHNOLOGY IMPLICATIONS**

17. There are no direct technology implications resulting from this report.

## EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

18. There are no specific equality implications arising from this report. However, any activities arising from the management of strategic risks will need to be the subject of separate 'due regard' assessments.

## CONSULTATION

19. Consultation has taken place with strategic risk owners and Directorate Management Teams as part of the quarterly performance challenge process.

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

20. Reports generated via Covalent for Directorate Q1 challenge meetings.

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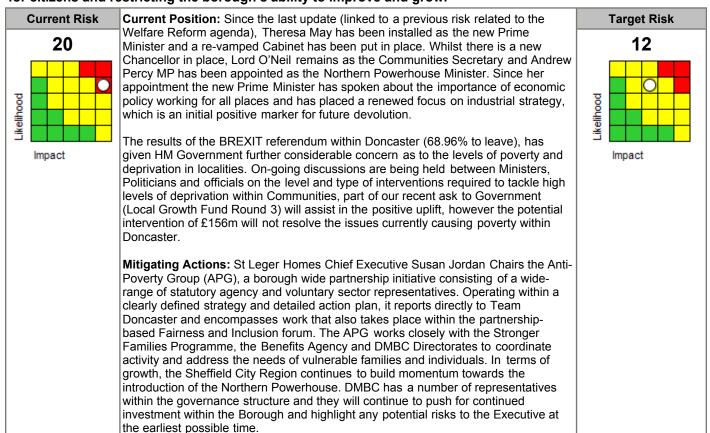
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# APPENDIX A

# Current austerity measures result in increased poverty in Doncaster, causing deprivation for citizens and restricting the borough's ability to improve and grow.

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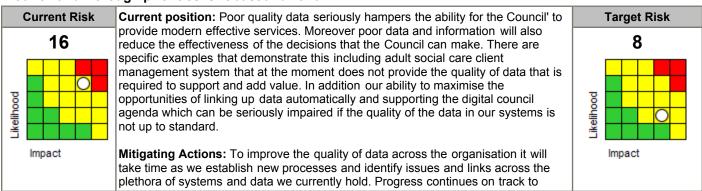
#### Failure to achieve the budget targets for 2016/17 and 17/18.

#### Current Risk Current Position: At Q1 the projected overspend for 2016/17 is £2.8m. Work is **Target Risk** underway to update the budget gap and produce the budget proposals for 2017/18 20 12 in preparation for approval in March 2017. Mitigating Actions: On the 2016/17 budget targets further work will take place with managers to reduce projected overspends. General reserves are sufficient to meet the £2.8m potential overspend. The 2017/18 budget proposals are being reviewed -ikelihood -ikelihood and updated with managers and elected members to produce draft proposals and start the consultation in November 2016. Key risks to the 2017/18 budget have been identified and are being managed as part of the budget setting process. Impact Impact

# Failure to improve Data Quality will prevent us from ensuring that data relating to key Council and Borough priorities is robust and valid.

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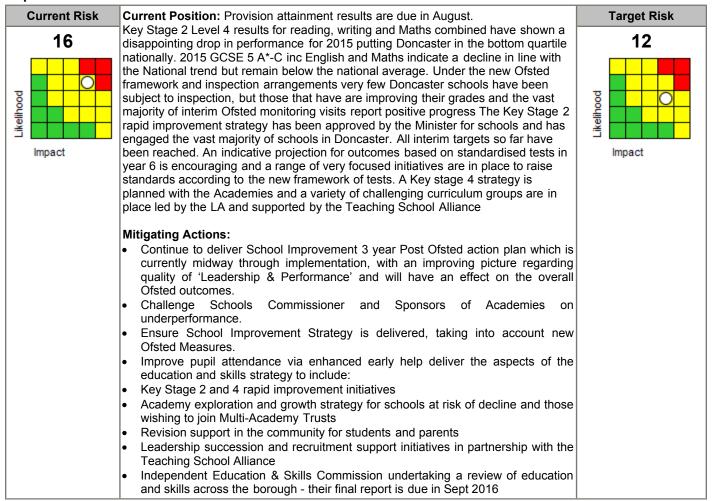


develop the new Data Quality Strategy to be agreed by 30th September 2016 which will set out the vision for data quality over the next few years and provide specific actions that will improve the quality of data across the council. It is likely that these actions will include a methodology for improve poor data in our systems, data quali standards and further training. Engagement across all Council departments will be required to ensure improvements are made quickly and appropriately. A register for all returns to central government will be updated and monitored to ensure the data supplied nationally is of good quality and ownership is clear. A business intelligence model which will support 'open data' across Doncaster is being discussed and will, once established help to support good and where appropriate automated information flows between systems improving the quality of data available in Doncaster. This risk links to all existing council plans, since the data we use inform all actions and decisions.	<b>y</b>
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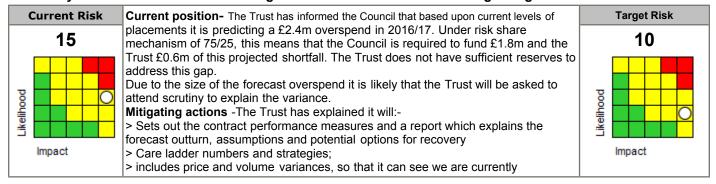
# Children and Young People do not achieve in line with national expectation

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### Failure by the Council and the Trust to agree and set a realistic annual budget target



experiencing higher levels than the contract. Where there is a significant change in volumes the contract does allow for contract variations to reflect this, but it is acknowledged that this would need to be justified via a business case; > Progress regarding in - house fostering, numbers removed from register, new recruits, numbers housed etc. Employing a professional marketing campaign and fund this via pay costs.

# Health and social care services do not change fast enough , impacting on quality, accessibility and affordability of services for people who need them most

**Kim Curry** 

Current Risk	Current Position: The pace of transformation has increased significantly since	Target Risk
15 pool	Cabinet approved the Adults Health and Wellbeing Transformation Programme in March 2016. A further significant Cabinet decision has been made to introduce a new model of care and support at home, based upon 6 localities, each with a Strategic Lead Provider, and a framework of Borough wide Additional Support Providers with a phased approach to implementation. In addition, the National Development Team for Inclusion is progressing work to introduce a community led and person centred approach to social care and EY are nearing the completion of their business cases for the agreed 5 transformation themes. The Immediate Business Improvement projects are delivering the changes to improve services for vulnerable people in the borough and the financial picture has also improved as a result. The risk score of 15 has been retained since it is still "possible" that the changes will not happen quickly enough. However, the mitigating actions below should ensure that the modernisation of services remains on track. <b>Mitigating Actions:</b> Progress on transformation is rigorously monitored and challenged by the Adults Health and Wellbeing leadership team and by the established Improvement Board. Regular reports are presented to these both forums and recommendations are made and addressed where pace and intensity need to increase. Regular updates are planned for Directors and Cabinet Members so that appropriate and timely decisions can be scheduled and made. Financial outputs and outcomes from the programme will feed directly into the Medium Term Financial Strategy.	IS Irjeitpood Impact

# Failure to obtain assurance as to the safeguarding of children in the borough Failure to meet children's safeguarding performance requirements which could lead to an 'inadeguate' inspection judgement by Ofsted

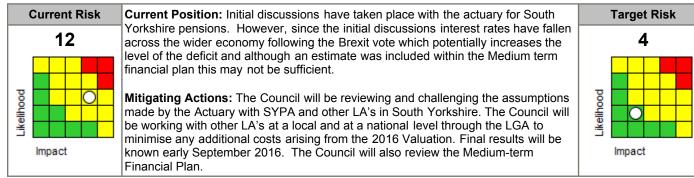
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Current Risk	Current Position: The formal arrangements to monitor and review the effectiveness	Target Risk
15 Introduction	<ul> <li>and input of services to children provided by the Trust are believed to provide assurance to this risk. Overall the safeguarding indicators specific to children are now performing better than they were this time last year. Ofsted did not raise any concerns as to the safety of children in the borough, but did recommend improvements to social work practice which are being addressed through the Ofsted Improvement Plan and will be further assessed by the Ofsted monitoring visit in August 2016.</li> <li>Mitigating Actions: The draft Ofsted improvement plan was submitted to Ofsted on 9th February 2016. Ofsted responded positively stating that the draft Improvement Plan addressed the identified areas for development from the inspection and that it was clear that progress had been made across a range of aspects and where action is completed, arrangements are in place to ensure this is maintained. The finalised plan was submitted to Ofsted on 26th April 2016 and was along with attendant actions which was implicitly endorsed by the 'Getting to Good' seminar on 29th April, 2016. The LGA peer review of July 2016 has not raised serious concerns but has identified areas for improvement arise.</li> </ul>	15 Irelinged Impact

#### Failure to set robust assumptions on pensions deficit recovery and future contribution

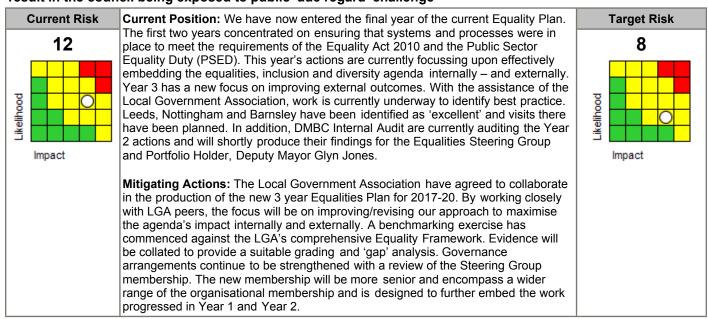
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#### rate for the 2016 valuation



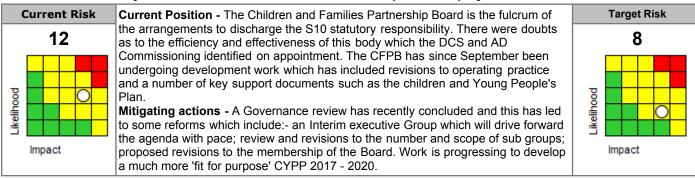
#### Failure to deliver the actions identified in the Equality and Inclusion action plan may impact our ability to effectively embed and delivery the equality agenda which could result in the council being exposed to public 'due regard' challenge

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# Failure to adequately implement effective joint working arrangements which could lead to ineffective delivery of children's services across the wider partnership system

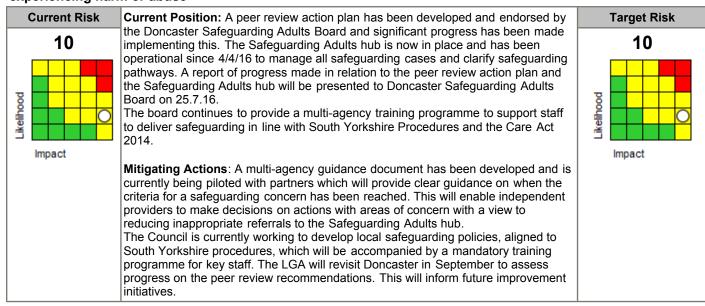
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#### The agreed standards and policies are not adequately understood and implemented by

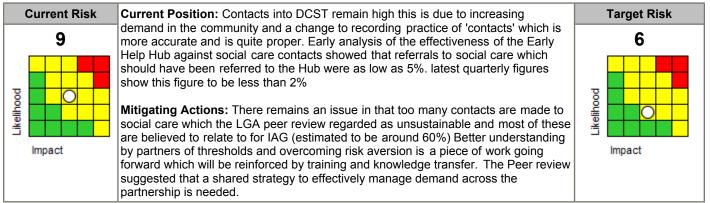
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# practitioners who work with vulnerable adults increasing the risk of vulnerable people experiencing harm or abuse



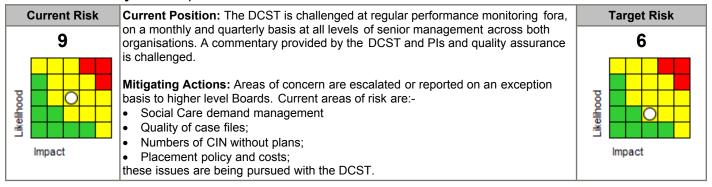
# Failure of partnership to engage in effective early intervention leading to inappropriate referrals to statutory services and unnecessary escalation of need and risk.

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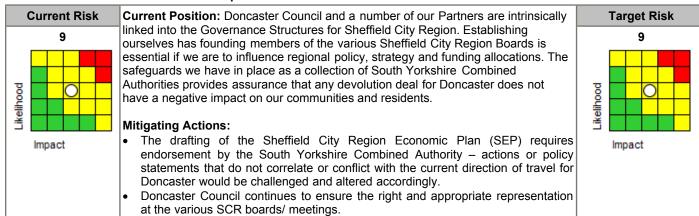
# Failure to adequately address a sufficient number of Children's Trust PIs (as defined in the service delivery contract)

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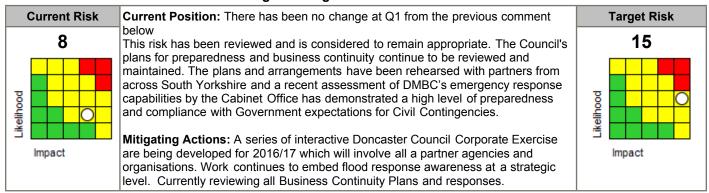
Without effective influence and engagement with the Sheffield City Region, there is a threat that Doncaster does not achieve economic potential benefit from the devolution deal

Peter Dale



# Failure to respond adequately to borough emergencies or mitigate effectively against the effects of extreme weather conditions e.g. flooding.

Peter Dale



#### Failure to identify and manage Health and Safety risks

Peter Dale

		Current Position: The Corporate Health and Safety Team are continuing to support	Target Risk
R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R		the development and delivery of health and safety training throughout the borough. Across the authority over 90% of all people managers have undertaken the appropriate courses in the last three years. Those remaining are booked on or will be booked on the next available health and safety for manager & rsquo;s course. <b>Mitigating Actions:</b> From September 2016 Corporate Safety will nominate a lead & rsquo adviser to work exclusively with each directorate. Each individual adviser will be available to assist and provide guidance to all levels of management working within the directorate and help to monitor health and safety arrangements to ensure	Likelihood
Impact		compliance with legislation and council policy.	Impact

### Failure to implement the Council's key borough objectives in partnership

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