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Title: Review of the Risk Management Strategy

Summary:

The report presents to Councillors the reviewed Risk Management Strategy following approval by the Extended Leadership Team. It was last brought to the Audit and Governance committee in January 2018.

Recommendation:

Councillors endorse the actions of officers in furthering the progress of risk management.

Reasons for recommendation

The Audit and Governance Committee has responsibility for overseeing the implementation of an effective risk management framework and reviewing the effectiveness of risk management.

1. Introduction and background

- 1.1 This report and document sets out a strategy for managing risk within Selby District Council.

2. The Report

- 2.1 The primary objectives of the strategy are to:-

- Ensure risk management is part of all decision-making processes and that it is embedded through ownership, both at officer and Councillor level;
- To integrate risk management into the day to day activities of the Council;
- Manage risk in accordance with best practice and in response to changes in the internal and external environment;

- Create and maintain effective processes that will allow the Council to produce risk management assurance statements annually.
- 2.2 The strategy remains largely unchanged following the review. However, minor amendments have been made in some sections to improve readability and also to dates and references where appropriate. The changes have been highlighted in yellow and shown as tracked changes in the attached Appendix 1.

3. Legal/Financial Controls and other Policy matters

3.1 Legal Issues

- 3.1.1 There are no legal implications.

3.2 Financial Issues

- 3.2.1 There are no financial implications.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 The revised strategy will help to ensure that risk management arrangements are in line with best practice and embedded into the Council's processes and procedures.

5. Background Documents

Risk Management Strategy – January 2018.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 - Risk Management Strategy – January 2019.