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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 2017.

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 and management of risks that the Council, as a whole, faces.

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 One amendment has been made to the strategy following the review. This is the introduction of monitoring of risk trends (page 9, section 13). Some other small changes have been made to dates and references. The changes have been highlighted in yellow 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 as a direct result of this report.

3.2 Financial Issues

3.2.1 There are no financial implications as a direct result of this report.

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 2017.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 - Risk Management Strategy – January 2018.