RISK MANAGEMENT

A general risk management update is not provided in this quarter.

However, due to the UK's upcoming exit from the European Union it is appropriate for an update to be provided as the Council has this on its strategic risk register (SR1 – 'Brexit').

As the exit date of 31 October approaches, the Council has appointed a Brexit Lead Officer who is coordinating the Council's preparations for EU exit. The Council's Brexit Lead Officer is regularly engaging with central government and the Surrey Local Resilience Forum (LRF). The Council continues to monitor advice and guidance received from central government and the LRF and will take necessary action where appropriate and proportionate.

No new strategic risks were identified in Q1.

CLOSED strategic risk:

During Q1 one strategic risk was closed:

Risk description

Local Plan (SR9)

The Council's existing Core Strategy will become out of date in July 2019 and a new local plan must therefore be prepared to give certainty over housing need and other strategic planning matters.

Failure to have an up to date strategic plan risks the Council losing the ability to control its planning decisions including where development is located.

A decision was made at Full Council on 2 July 2019 that the existing Core Strategy is up to date and therefore a new Local Plan is not required at this time. It is on this basis that this risk is closed.