



**Report of the PCC CFO to the Chair and Members of the Joint Audit Committee**  
**28<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

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**Status: For information**

**Strategic Risk Register**

**1. Purpose**

- 1.1 To provide Members with an update on the progress of the PCC's risk register.

**2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 That Members note the content of the report.

**3. Background**

- 3.1 The PCC continues to take an integrated approach to embedding its risk register within the OPCC. The Risk Register is managed on the 'Insight4GRC' system and also continues to be reviewed in line with the OPCC's own Risk Management Policy.
- 3.2 The Risk Register is reviewed and reported on a half yearly rolling basis. The objective of the review is to update risk controls, scoring, and check progress against outstanding actions and to explore new or emerging risks.

## 4 Progress and Changes since the last update

- 4.1 All Risk entries have been reviewed up to this report and the associated updates are provided in the attached Risk Register.
- 4.2 Following feedback from the internal auditors, each risk area continues to include additional narrative on assurance records; and demonstrable evidence of these assurances taking place are embedded within 'Insight4GRC'.
- 4.3 Other than some minor adjustments the risk register remains largely unchanged during the last 6 months, actions are on-track for delivery and progress against a number of them are expected to be complete during the second half of the financial year.
- 4.4 A Heatmap overview of all current 'open' risks on the PCC's Risk Register, based on Inherent Risk is shown in the table below:

### Inherent Risk Priority (I x L)

<b>5 - Catastrophic</b>	Contingency (5)	Contingency (10)	Primary (15)	Primary (20)	Primary (25) 2
<b>4 - Significant</b>	Contingency (4)	Contingency (8)	Primary (12)	Primary (16) 5	Primary (20) 2
<b>3 - Moderate</b>	Low (3)	Contingency (6)	Contingency (9) 1	Primary (12)	Primary (15)
<b>2 - Minor</b>	Low (2)	Low (4)	House Keeping (6)	House Keeping (8)	House Keeping (10)
<b>1 - Insignificant</b>	Low (1)	Low (2)	House Keeping (3)	House Keeping (4)	House Keeping (5)
	<b>1 - Negligible</b>	<b>2 - Rare</b>	<b>3 - Unlikely</b>	<b>4 - Possible</b>	<b>5 - Probable</b>

4.5 With the following table showing the Residual Risks:

<b>5 - Catastrophic</b>	Contingency (5)	Contingency (10) 1	Primary (15) 1	Primary (20)	Primary (25)
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4.6 All risks will continue to be reviewed and monitored as the year progresses.

## 5. Risk Register

5.1 The Insight4GRC methodology and Risk Management Policy is in place and work is continuing to embed it into the day to day work of the OPCC.

5.2 All of the risks have and will continue to be allocated to individual Officers with regular updates required.

5.3 A copy of the OPCC Strategic Risk Register is included as an appendix to this report.

## 6. Implications

### 6.1 Finance

There are no known financial implications at the present time. However, as the process progresses the financial implications will be continually reviewed.

### 6.2 Diversity and Equal Opportunities

There are no diversity or equal opportunities implications arising from the content of this report.

### 6.3 Human Rights Act

There are no Human Rights Act implications arising from the content of this report.

#### 6.4 Sustainability

Risk Management is a vital element in ensuring the sustainable delivery of services and delivering the PCC's priorities.

#### 6.5 Risk

Risk Management is crucial in ensuring the sustainable delivery of services and delivery of the PCC's priorities through the effective identification and management of the principal risks to the delivery of corporate objectives.

### **7. Conclusion**

- 7.1 The OPCC strategic Risk Register and the work to embed risk management within the work of the OPCC remains on-going and work will continue to ensure progress is maintained and risks are appropriately captured and managed.