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| 12 | Service: Economy, Regeneration & Sustainability - Increased costs and complexity for waste - The increased costs and complexity in the delivery of the Council's domestic collection service, and ODS commercial waste operations. This is caused by changes in statutory obligations in the waste | If higher costs are not sufficiently matched with increased revenues to support the delivery of the new obligations, this may impact on the funding of other service areas - as domestic waste | Clive Tritton | 3 | 4 | 12 | oontroi description |
| 14 | Service: Chief Executive - Partnership working - The devolution governance debate disrupts partnership work because County and Districts might pursue different options for Unitary | Negative impacts on services and projects delivered in partnership with County and partners. | Mish Tullar | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 15 | Service: Property Assets - Staff recruitment and retention - Inability to recruit and/or retain staff on proposed terms and conditions in Property Services (particularly in respect of HRA and compliance). Terms and conditions of employment are not sufficiently attractive to attract permanent staff. Most other Councils are trying to attract similar staff from a small pool of available candidates | Required skills and capacity are not available to deliver required work programmes. | Malcolm PEEK | 2 | 3 | 6 | |
| 16 | Service: Planning and Regulation: ICT Service Failure - Major service failure due to significant loss of ICT or staff etc. The cause might be major systems failure, a major health pandemic etc | Reduction in staff or premises availability means a reduced service to customers and or a backlog of work to be cleared. | David Butler | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 17 | Service: Planning & Regulation - Regulation of the Private Rented Sector - Opportunity to embed HMO licensing across the City and to regulate the private rented sector. A failure might be caused by systems failure/poor delivery of service; inadequate engagement; non-compliance with regulation/ legislation | finances; risks to occupiers. neighbours | David Butler | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| 18 | Financial Services: Reputation Management - Failure to deliver an efficient and timely year end process for annual Council Tax and NDR bills, Rents, Garage and leaseholder statements. This can be caused by lack of resources (staff/finance) Upgrades of software not carried out Single points of failure CTR will be administered through Revenues not Benefits Knowledge of requirements Ability to design templates Legislative requirements not addressed | The biggest risk to the Council is reputational. If the bills and notices are not delivered on time the Council cannot collect income due to it and would suffer reputational damage as a consequence. This risk is low until the process starts again in October | Laura Bessell | 3 | 4 | 12 | |
| 20 | Service: Planning & Regulation - Unplanned Workload - Unplanned workload leading to reactive response and delay or omission of proactive work. This can be caused by complaints, added complexities to existing work, unplanned work demands corporate or external | Delay or omission of programmed work, impact on quality of work if it is rushed or not checked. Reduction in quality of service to customers | David Butler | 3 | 4 | 12 | |
| 21 | It can be caused by ICT workplan not adhered to and delayed; System implementation ineffectual | Increased inefficiencies in work flow leading to increased manual working and worsening collection rates; controls around the system not robust leading to an increased level of reconciliation or data control issues Project plans overlapping so that there is excessive work for staff over a shortened time period Non-compliance with contractual agreements and non-conpliance with external standards such as PCN and PCI-DSS | Clare Paterson | 3 | 4 | 12 | |
| 23 | Service: Property Assets - Income Generation - Income generation from property portfolio is threatened, due to Covid-19 backlog, which is almost cleared, and market forces and cost of living issues. Portfolio is biased towards retail/food and beverage. Market currently patchy and backlog of lease events. Particularly on estate shop portfolio. | Reduced rent leading to budget pressure | Emma Gubbins | 3 | 3 | 9 | |

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| 24 | Service: Planning & Regulation - Project Delays - Project delays (service specific). Poor project management of projects such as LocalPlan, major Development management case, change projects | Reduced performance, missed targets, ultimately delay to delivery of needed housing on the ground. | David Butler | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| 25 | Service: Property Assets - Income reduction due to condition of properties - Inability / delay in letting or increased incentives. Stock returned in poor condition, increased forfeiture. Failure of landlord repairing liabilities | Reduced or delayed rent or capital receipt leading to budget pressure | Malcolm PEEK | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| 26 | Service: Financial Services - Failure to recruit and retain key staff. Insufficient quality of applicants to vacancies, current key staff leave to better opportunities. This might be caused by current pay scales not attractive, reputation of Council will not attract new recruits | become vacant. Further pressure is put onto remaining staff to fulfil extra tasks | Nigel Kennedy | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| 27 | Service: Planning & Regulation - External Delays - Delays to Council projects caused by outside agenciesDelays by outside agencies - County Council, Consultees, National and Regional Government and other agencies | Reduced performance, missed targets | David Butler | 4 | 4 | 16 |
| 28 | Service: Property Assets - Property non- compliance - Assets becoming non-compliant resulting in Health & Safety failure. (includes trees, green spaces and the like). This could be caused by a lack of monitoring and management | Risk of hazard to people or property, unable to let properties so reduced income. Risk to the reputation of the council and action against the council and officers. Increased insurance costs. | Malcolm PEEK | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| 30 | Service: Financial Services - Treasury Management - Safety of investments may be jeopardised by the current economic climate and prolonged volatility in financial markets; banks and other investment institutions not being robust enough to survive future economic changes | Loss of principal investments placed | Bill Lewis | 2 | 5 | 10 |
| 31 | Service: Communities & Citizen Services -Service standards and quality provision - Service not delivering quality services caused by a lack of resources and employee deployment. Fragile procedures, process and delivery mechanisms. Internal and external monitoring and auditing principles not robust | Failure to achieve industry recognised accreditation (i.e. Quest, Green Flag, ISO). Increased costs. Corporate and service objectives fail to be delivered. Reputational damage. Reduced ability to draw down external funding | Hagan Lewisman | 2 | 3 | 6 |
| 32 | Service: Planning & Regulation - Income Targets - Non achievement of income targets caused by the impact of macro-economic issues - falling number of planning applications, visitor spend etc | budget. Ultimately impact on resources available | David Butler | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| 33 | Service: Property Assets - Lack of asset management system - Data management processes improvement. No asset management system in place to store and analyse data. | Unable to plan or programme work in a timely fashion, delays in letting of properties and potential non-compliance. Risk of decreased insurance cover or increased premium costs. Lack of active management of portfolio reduces performance. | Malcolm PEEK | 4 | 4 | 16 |
| 34 | Service: Law, Governance and Strategy - Resilience of service - Inability to effectively deliver services required by the Council to deliver critical projects and support statutory and non-statutory functions with a direct impact on risk, compliance, expenditure and income to the Council. Inability to react as required in the event of a major incident leading to more outsourcing or delays. Inability to retain and recruit lawyers to permanent posts, leaving the service dependent on locum resources and therefore exceeding salary budget. Capacity and resource issues delaying restructure. Hope to progress by the end of 2025. | Reputational damage; adverse costs; greater reliance on external services and therefore increased costs. Ability to meet Council's own requirements prejudiced. | Emma Jackman | 4 | 4 | 16 |
| 35 | Service: Planning & Regulation: Government legislation, Democracy and Localism Bill - Substantial changes to the planning system. Relaxation of Change of Use, Prior Approval regime extended Impact of expectations of politicians and the local community impacting on resources and prioritiesCaused by government legislation leading to need to redesign processes. | Lack of capacity to meet changes coming from government, undermining of the delivery of local policy objectives (e.g. protection of key employment sites). Neighbourhood Plans put pressure on resources and/or seek to challenge City Council | David Butler | 4 | 4 | 16 |

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| 36 | Service: Communities & Citizen Services- Insufficient revenue and capital for each proposed development. Caused by current economic climate/Comprehensive spending review | Developments do not take place | Hagan Lewisman | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| 37 | Service: Property Assets - Income Targets / high costs - Non achievement of Town Hall income targets caused by the impact of economic circumstances; delays in building maintenance, major disruption to business e.g. fire, major repairs. | Reduction in income and revenue | Malcolm PEEK | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| 38 | Service: Planning & Regulation - Opposition to emerging statutory plans - Opposition to emerging statutory plans, and to planning applications and decisions; A) vocal and organised local opposition before decision; B) opposition at Examination or committee stage; C) Legal Challenge after Adoption or planning decision. Caused by local public, groups, organisations or political parties object to policies in emerging documents and choose to use many and all avenues to express objection, including some outside normal procedures and all drawing a lot of media attention. Or opposition to planning applications at, pre- application, after validation. Committee and post decision stages | Delay, extra costs, reputational risk, possibly amendments to policies. | David Butler | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| 40 | Service: Communities and Citizens: Budget and Income - Trading Income from Event hire caused by changes to Broad Street, COVID-19, the cost of living impact on the events sector and targeted campaigns against event organisers | Budgeted Target not met | Paula Redway | 3 | 2 | 6 |
| 42 | Service: Communities and Citizens - Breach in H&S leading to the closure of a building, injury/ fatality/ closure of leisure facility and/ or service disruption caused by failure of health and safety management and monitoring | Risk of injury or death to persons. Reputational risk. Financial claims. Risk of facility closire or service disruption | Hagan Lewisman | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| 45 | Service: Communities and Citizens - Loss of key staff members - Prolonged absence or badly planned leave may result in the service area not delivering on its objectivesThis might be caused by staffing structure being quite tight, meaning that there can be resource issues | Non delivery of service objectives | Helen Bishop | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| 46 | Service: Law, Governance and Strategy- External Legal Resources - The use of the budget is reactive and therefore, as unexpected corporate issues arise, external legal costs increase, which will lead to an overspend on the legal services budget, and potentially pressure on other service area budgets as they may need to fund work. This is caused by the unpredictability of costs which may arise. Due to increase demand in client departments for legal support, capacity issues continue which has an impact on external legal avice requirements. Inability to use usual procurement route of EM Lawshare Framework meaning using higher priced frameworks as an alternative. | Budgetary pressure | Emma Griffiths | 5 | 3 | 15 |
| 47 | Service: Communities and Citizen Services - Insufficient resource and market demand to deliver financial plan - A stringent focus is on this work, although the macro environment continues to increase the challenges. There is a risk of there not being enough resource (staff time), and/or market demand to deliver the level requiredNot enough staff time / insufficient demand for | Reduced delivery of efficiencies | Helen Bishop | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| 48 | Service: Planning & Regulation- Public Health Protection - Threats to public health eg., from food borne communicable disease. Uncontrolled spread of diseases; illness and possible deaths; damage to Council reputation. | Failure to adequately control/respond to outbreaks. | David Butler | 3 | 3 | 9 |

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| Ref 51 | Risk Description Service: Financial Services - Budget Management Inability to forecast outturn effectively due to limited or incorrect information. There are significant efficiency savings and service reductions across the board as a result of budget process, and these may be difficult to deliver, or to understand if they will be delivered timely. | Consequence Increased use of balances or further reductions to be identified | Owner Clare Paterson | Probability 2 | Impact 2 | Score 4 | Control description |
| 52 | Service: Communities and Citizen Services - Safeguarding - Safeguarding vulnerable groups including children. Poor training of and recognition of safeguarding principals. Poor monitoring and compliance regimes | Risk to Council reputation. Risk of allegation. Risk to public safety | Hagan Lewisman | 2 | 4 | 8 | |
| 53 | Service: Law, Governance and Strategy - ICT - System failure without cloud based systems will signficantly impact on the Council being able to meet staturoty obligations and will impact on the delivery of corporate prioroties and decision making. Risks genreated from unauthored access from outside actors, ICT issues such as server failure and failure of third party systems and devices | Failure to meet statutory obligations, inability to take decisions and protect the interests of the Council | Emma Jackman | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 54 | Service: Financial Services - Corporate Fraud - Suppliers set up on payment system that are not genuine or requests to change bank acount details that are not genuine. Third parties attempt to defraud the council | Payments being misappropriated, loss of public monies | Annette Osborne | 2 | 3 | 6 | |
| 55 | Service: Law, Governance and strategy - Legal Income - Income target not achieved placing pressure on the overall budget of legal services leading to overpsend. This would be caused by an inability to manage or control demand of work which generates income | Budgetary Pressure | Emma Jackman | 4 | 4 | 16 | |
| 56 | Service: Financial Services - Management effectiveness and employee ability to deliver services - Excessive pressure placed on staff and managers. Caused by increased workloads and increased volumes of emails and online meetings in addition to increasing demands arising from the "day job" | Staff burnout; increased incidence of stress; lack of capacity to deliver work demands | Nigel Kennedy | 3 | 4 | 12 | |
| 57 | Service: Communities & Citizen Services - Complaints Handling - Failure of corporate complaints process resulting in Ombudsman intervention. This might be caused by a reliance on limited number of officers | Reputational risk. Additional complaints and/or ombudsmen intervention. | Helen Bishop | 4 | 3 | 12 | |
| 58 | Service: Financial Services - Health & Safety - Staff are subject to volatile situations in the course of their duties and possible harm. They have robust & challenging conversations with subjects of investigation during interviews and visits leading to escalation tension and possible physical assault. | Staff subject to harm and subsequent short or long-term sickness, reduced resources. | swarner2@oxf ord.gov.uk | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| 59 | Service: Communities & Citizen Services-Community Cohesion Erodes - The risk that social and community cohesion will be negatively affected, detracting from the Council's aims to encourage strong and active communities. Britain's exit from the EU, shifts in national politics, and subsequent shifts in society's perceptions. | 1.Uncertainty and instability in political climate leads to social and political polarisation - this in turn could lead to political fallout/shifts in management and risk of the council developing a bad reputation 2.Political instability means social instability / unrest, leading to higher rates of hate crime. Deepening cleavages in society divides communities, with settled communities feeling neglected by local authorities in favour of new/emerging communities - diversity is seen as a threat for some. 3. Social unrest can have negative effects on health, which carries risk of widening existing health inequalities across the city. | Helen Bishop | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 60 | Service: Financial Services - Budget and Income - Failure to deliver profiled trading income due to external factors. Caused by reduced appetites for external clients and partners to spend on counterfraud services due to cost of living crisis, dwindling council finances, politics or competing priorities | Trading income targets not achieved, medium term financial plan compromised, budgetary overspend. | swarner2@oxf ord.gov.uk | 1 | 2 | 2 | |

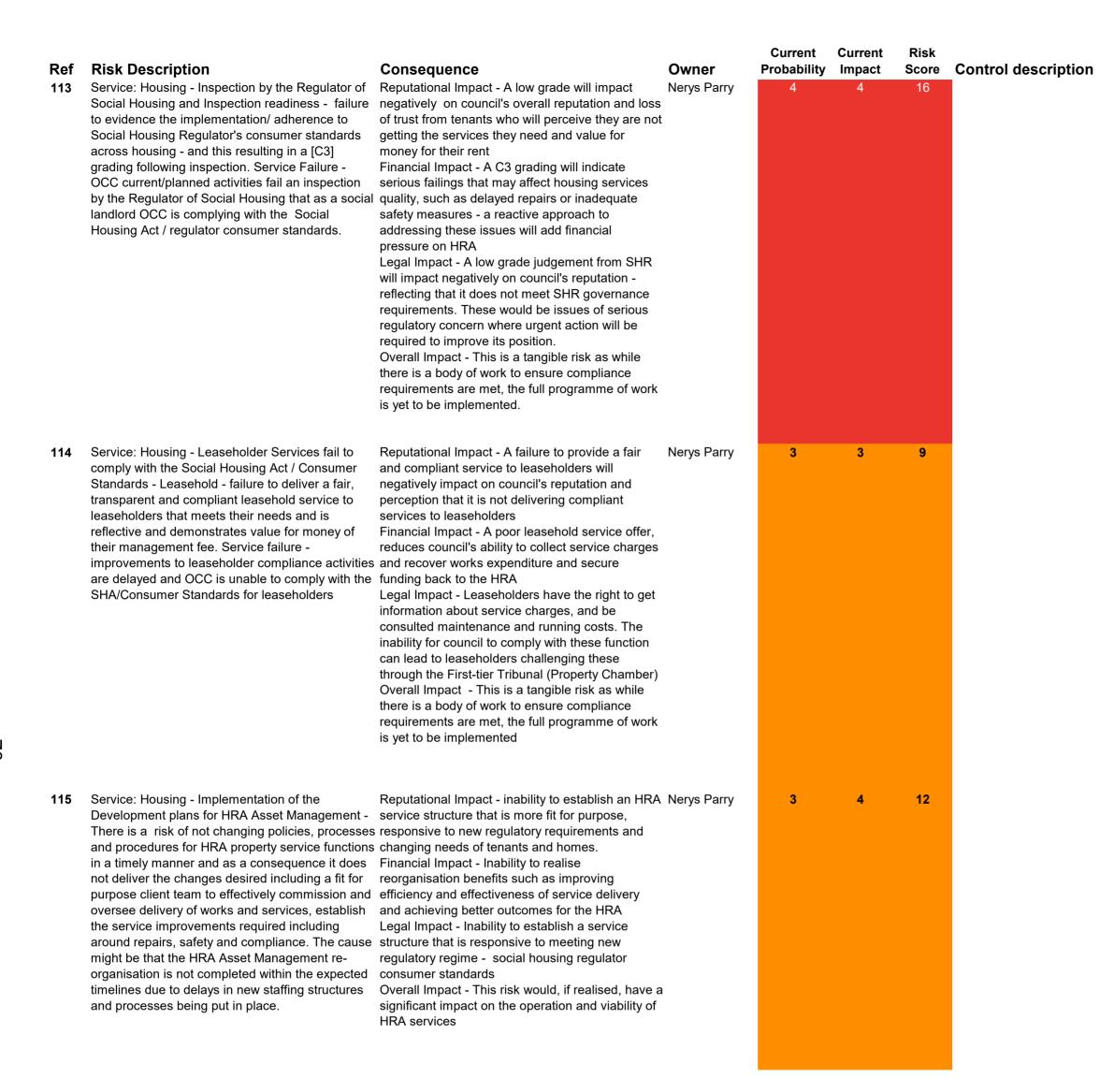
| Ref 61 | Risk Description Service: Financial Services - Performance - Failure to achieve service plan targets and objectives due to unplanned staff absence or turnover including sickness. Some fixed term contracts in the team increase risk of staff looking to alternative roles with other organisations. | Consequence Targets not achieved, trading income compromised, inability to service external contractual commitments | Owner swarner2@oxf ord.gov.uk | Current Probability 2 | Current Impact 2 | Risk Score 4 | Control description |
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| 62 | Service: Law, Governance and Strategy - Budgetary issue - Increase in the cost of postage by Royal Mail causing budget pressures. The rise in the cost of postage has increased in recent years (with another in-year rise of 15% due) | Pressure on budgets beyond what is funded | Martin John | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 64 | Service: Law, Governance and Strategy - FOIA and DPA compliance - Failure to comply with statutory deadlines in terms of information Requests and Data Subject Access Requests. Failure to properly manage personal data. Failure of other council departments and officers to contribute and approve in timescales required | Reputation risk, ICO action could result. | Emma Jackman | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 65 | Service: Law, Governance and Strategy Data Protection - Data Protection Breach and Non-Compliance with Data Protection Law caused by a failure of the organisation to adhere to data protection law would cause capacity and work implications issues for the team. Outside actors having unauthorised access to data. Failure of the Council's departments and suppliers to properly safeguard data | Increased workload on a small team. Organisation could suffer reputational damage and/or have fines levied against them by ICO. Reputational risk for the service and Council. Financial penalties for Council and employees. Potential litigation against the Council with damages and adverse costs | Jackman | 4 | 5 | 20 | |
| 66 | Service: Communities & Citizen Services - Sponsorship - Failure to achieve sponsorship income targets because of the business climate | Difficult to sustain city events and cultural activity on an annual basis. | Paula Redway | 3 | 2 | 6 | |
| 67 | Service: Financial Services - Procurement - If there is a failure to follow best procurement practice, then there is an increased risk of challenge. The reputation of the Council will suffer, and there may be financial loss because of challenges and re-running procurements, as well as delays in delivering priorities. | Reputation of Council. Financial penalty. Poor decision making and financial loss due to potentially awarding a contract to the wrong supplier. Potential delays in achieving organisational objectives as a result of challenge and if decision set aside | Annette Osborne | 3 | 4 | 12 | |
| 68 | Service: People - Corporate Management - Managers not equipped to meet the changing needs of the organisation. Development of Fit for the Future Programme, gives new accountabilities and responsibilities for Leaders | If not addressed service improvements and efficiencies not delivered | Gail Malkin | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| 69 | Service: People - People team - Resources insufficient to meet the growing demands of the service. The work demands over which we have no control, such as new starters, pension queries, employee turnover and increasing numbers of payroll transactions, is putting additional pressure on the operations work of the team. Additional temporary resource is coming to an end without efficiency savings having been met, partly due to the ASM platform not leading to time savings. | Service quality is dropping and team is reporting workload pressures and work-related stress. Will need to cut back on service offered and extend service standard delivery times. | Gail Malkin | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 70 | Service: People - People team - Loss of key talent. Reliance on individual contributors with no cover as team is small. Example - one recruitment consultant - if she left - we would have a limited and reduced recruitment service until replaced | difficulty filling hard-to-recuit roles and longer time to recruit times more generally | Gail Malkin | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 71 | Service: People - People team - Data protection legal compliance. Historical poor administration practices and pressures of work have meant that data has not been managed in line with data retention schedules. | non-compliance with data protection law | Gail Malkin | 3 | 2 | 6 | |

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| 72 | Service: Communities & Citizen Services - Budget pressures - Budget pressures in Customer Services, including Customer Contact and Corporate Support teams. Increased workload Improvements not delivered to improve services and reduce resource requirement Insufficient funding for workforce | • | Helen Bishop | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| 74 | Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Staff Recruitment - Difficulty in recruiting on proposed terms and conditions - often FTC roles in the service. Terms and conditions of employment are not sufficiently attractive to attract and retain staff | Required skills and capacity are not available to deliver required work programmes or staff turnover results in the loss of skills from the team. | Clive Tritton | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| 75 | Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Managing staff capacity - Little capacity in team to allow cover for other team members if required. Internal and external projects and programme are running to very similar timescales across economic development, City Centre, Green Transport, Housing Deliery and Regeneration. | Staff resource and work needs to be carefully prioritised to handle demand. Some programmes are outside our control particularly in Green Transport and Economic Development. Difficultly to provide project cover if regeneration manager or housing supply officer is off work or leaves at short notice. | Clive Tritton | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 76 | Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Good governance - Development board and associated groups within the governance process are not utilised effectively as it could be across the council. Lack of knowledge of how and when to utilise development review group and development board. | Board is reactive or not utilised leading to project problems. | Clive Tritton | 3 | 2 | 6 | |
| 77 | Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Health & Safety - Poor health and safety compliance due to inconsistent levels of experience and training. Inconsistent levels of experience and training in project managers. Lack of corporate resource and training in H&S protocols. | Health and safety incidents and non compliance during projects which may cause significant project delays, fines or legal action and more widely causes risk to staff. | Clive Tritton | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 78 | Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Support Team Capacity - Lack of specialist advice or delays to projects caused by support team capacity. Commitments to projects and resourcing of support services (procurement, legal, finance, communities, planning) have not been considered in tandem and therefore resourcing in support areas cannot meet requirements of capital projects | Project delays and potentially inaccurate information reported through governance process through lack of specialist advice | Clive Tritton | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 79 | Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Staff Budget - Lack of budget to maintain staffing levels across service. Regen team due to failure to capitalise on the regeneration managers time and lack of funding to maintain current levels for city centre management and economic development teams. The staff budget relies on capitalising time and external funding sources | | Clive Tritton | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| 80 | Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Housing supply funding - Reduction in funding available impacting housing delivery targets. This is caused by limits to HRA borrowing capacity/ change to HRA business plan, borrowing cost rises making schemes unviable, Lack of Homes England funding rounds, Poor outcome from RSH inspection rates (RP) landlord service any of the compliance criteria/ Annual HE Investment Partner compliance return not considered satisfactory, loss of awarded funding due to not meeting grant terms | Reduced delivery results in increasing further the backlog of housing need if we do not secure additional affordable housing stock and risk of grant incuding RRTBRs being returned with punitive interest | Dave Scholes | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 81 | Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Housing project delays - Programme slippage puts housing delivery targets at risk. Causes could be wide ranging for example risks relating to meeting planning policies, SSEN grid capacity to 2028/ 2032; and also water and sewage capacity concerns, site specific issues | • | Dave Scholes | 3 | 3 | 9 | |

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| Ref 82 | Risk Description Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Lack of key partner engagement - Lack of engagement from partners to deliver Council priorities in Economic Development and City Centre. Third party decision making or capacity issues result in lack of support financially or in kind for kety intiatives/projects | Consequence Unable to deliver on strategy actions or priorities or fund associated projects/staff or creates unplanned financial pressure | Owner Rupert Waters | Probability 3 | Impact 3 | Score 9 | Control description |
| 83 | Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Resource pressure from partners or stakholdersKey Stakehodlers or partners' projects and prioties create council resource implicationsThird party decision making result in pressure for officer or member support financially or in kind for their intiiatives/projects | Unable to resource either the partner priority or our own priorities or creates unplanned financial pressure | Rupert Waters | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 84 | Service: Property Assets - Investment into stock and existing properties - Under investment or lack of funding to invest into properties to maintain condition. Caused by budgets not sufficent to match property needs | Properties become poor condition to let, reduction in income and potential non-compliant or dangerous. | Malcolm PEEK | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 85 | Service: Communities & Citizen Services - Customer Services - Applications Team KPIs may be unable to be met due to taxi licensing not resourced appropriately. Taxi licensing is not resourced appropriately by the service due to them not agreeing funding | Performance affected and KPIs unable to be achieved | Mark Chandler | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| 86 | Service: Communities and Citizen Services - Customer Services - Customer behaviour in the Westgate library or larders putting our staff at risk either through physical or mental abuse. Unacceptable behaviour either verbally or physically from customers who visit the Westgate | Staff are physically or verabally abused | Mark Chandler | 2 | 3 | 6 | |
| 87 | library Service: Communities & Citizen Services - Customer Services - Wellbeing of staff working from home and being able to access support as and when required. Majority of staff working from home regularly without face to face contact | Staff feeling isolated, struggling mentally and not getting the support they need | Mark Chandler | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| 88 | Service: Communities and Citizen Services - Customer Services - Staff not following data protection processes resulting in breaches. Staff not following data protection guidelines or having the appropriate up to date training and awareness of procedures | Data protection breaches resulting in unhappy customers | Mark Chandler | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| 89 | Service: ICT - Retaining skilled ICT professionals is difficult because of uncompetitive salaries in some areas. | Staff leave. | Rocco Labellarte | 1 | 3 | 3 | |
| 90 | Service: ICT - Addressing ICT staff skills gaps. Single points of failure, in particular with the absence of business owners and super-users within the services. | Delays in resolving issues for individuals and services. | Rocco Labellarte | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 91 | Service: ICT - Resources insufficient to meet demands of service. Caused by competing priorities (BAU, Projects, non-ICT issues passed to ICT). | Demand exceeds capacity, and staff work long hours, struggling mentally (as evidenced by the H&S Survey) | Rocco Labellarte | 3 | 3 | 9 | |
| 93 | Service: Economy, Regeneration and Sustainability - Capital Project Delays - Significant delays of capital projects. Caused by unforeseen consequences e.g. planning risks, external factors, competing asks on resources, contractor insolvency or supply chain issues | Reduced performance and missed targets on capital projects which affect overall expenditure, MTFP spend or grant stipulations | Clive Tritton | 3 | 3 | 9 | |

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| 94 | Service: Financial Services - Property Insurance - If the Council is unable to provide adequate information about the construction of existing buildings in its ownership and their valuations, its Insurers may continue to provide insurance that does not meet the full needs of the Council and exposes it to uninsured risks and financial loss. The Council has been unable to provide sufficient information to Insurers about the construction of properties and the cost of their reinstatement. | Only one Insurer quoted at the last tender and the insurance cover provided has signficant weaknesses. The property valuations that the Council has may be wrong, resulting in properties being under or over insured. The Council's properties are insured on a declared value basis, they might be underinsured because of inflation. Unoccupied properties are uninsured. The Council is unable to go to tender before it improves the information that it has. | | 2 | 4 | 8 | |
| 95 | Service: Property Assets - Capital Receipts - Inability to reach capital receipts budget because of market forces, being dependant on engagement of 3rd parties. Selling from investment portfolio reduction in income | Reduced capital causes increased borrowing or reduction in capital programme | Emma Gubbins | 2 | 3 | 6 | |
| 96 | Service: Property Assets - Lack of legal capacity - If there is a lack of legal support, the Council will be unable to meet income, capital receipt, and project targets. Alternatively, external legal spend will be more costly and will result in an increase in financial pressure. This is caused by insufficient base budget in Law & Governance results in insufficient capacity. | Reduced income, reduced capital receipt, risk of legal challenge, reputational damage, increased complaints. | Emma Gubbins | 4 | 4 | 16 | |
| 103 | Service: Planning & Regulation - Regulatory compliance - Failure to comply with regulations and statutory compliance. This is caused by insufficient resources impacting on ability to ensure compliance, a culture that fails to enforce policies; a lack of knowledge exacerbated by staff turnover; changes in legislation; increased demand leading to mistakes by staff. | A loss of public traust and confidence in the Council's ability to govern effectively. Negative media attention will harm the Council's reputation. Elected Members and senior officers face criticism. The Council's ability to deliver services is undermined as important decisions are made incorrectly. Disputes among Members and staff. Fines and penalties and loss of grants and funding. | David Butler, Richard Adams | 2 | 4 | 8 | |
| 108 | Service: Housing - Failure of Homeless Prevention Activities - Temporary Accommodation - Failure to effectively manage the financial burden and demand for temporary accommodation in accordance with the individual needs of clients. This is caused by service delivery failure - homeless prevention activities become unable to meet a sustained increase in homelessness in Oxford leading to increased homeless placements/TA costs. | Reputational Impact - Increase in reviews - client's taking legal action/ appealing against their housing decisions, clients approaching media to highlight their case and shame council. Financial Impact - Increase in temporary accommodation costs adding pressure to general fund. Legal Impact - Council's inability to fulfil its duty to provide or secure the provision of advice and information about homelessness and the prevention of homelessness. Overall Impact - If this risk was realised, this would hinder the operation of this service as the financial viability of this service would be called into question and related issues impacting to regulatory compliance would impact on OCC. | Nerys Parry | 2 | 4 | 8 | |
| 109 | in priority. This also includes the wider contextual imbalances, within council's own stock and private | Financial Impact - Inability to secure sufficient homelessness grant funding that meets the increasing demand. Legal Impact - The council is not obliged to house everyone who is experiencing or at risk of homelessness. However, it is required to take action depending on the circumstances of each | Richard Wood | 2 | 3 | 6 | |

| Ref 110 | Risk Description Service: Housing - Delayed new build developments/acquisitions - A failure to secure pipeline of affordable supply arising from council's housing development programme, sourcing of PRS acquisitions and maximising on supply opportunities including downsizing, securing nomination rights, empty properties and fast void turnarounds. This might be caused by service delivery failure - new build completions of social housing are delayed due to developers failing to complete on time. Planned acquisitions slow down to a lack of supply of suitable properties in Oxford. Changes to the PRS Housing Markets | Consequence Reputational Impact - Inability to deliver on council housing programme targets will impact on housing waiting list, but will also impact negatively, loss of trust from key stakeholders and funding partners. Financial Impact - Delays or non-delivery of council housing programme will severely impact and add further financial pressures on HRA Business Plan as well as add further pressures on General Fund as families will need to remain in Temporary Accommodation. Legal Impact - It is a legal requirement to ensure that TA is suitable and families with children do not spend over 6 weeks in B&B, households | | Current Probability 2 | Current Impact 4 | Risk Score 8 | Control description |
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| | including the Renters Rights Bill reduces the supply of affordable PRS available. Improvements to the Void process fail to reduce Void Re-let Times. | believing they have been offered unsuitable accommodation make take legal action against council. Overall Impact - TA provision appears on target but this is subject to review in the light of regular and updated data | | | | | |
| 111 | Service: Housing - Implementation of the Landlord Services Re-Organisation - risk of not delivering the re-organisation of landlord service in a timely manner and as a consequence it does not deliver the changes required including service improvements, culture change and achieve better outcomes for tenants. This might be caused by service delivery failure - the landlord services reorganisation is not completed within the expected timelines due to delays in new staffing structures and processes being put in place. | Reputational Impact - inability to establish a service structure that is more fit for purpose, responsive to new regulatory requirements and changing needs of tenants and homes. Financial Impact - Inability to realise reorganization benefits such as improving efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery and achieving better outcomes for the HRA. Legal Impact - New SHR regulatory requirements means the council as a landlord has a duty to comply and meet required standards, failing to do so it will breach and face sanctions imposed by the SHR Overall Impact - Limited impact as the initial work for the re-organisation has begun and good progress has been made. | Nerys Parry | 2 | 4 | 8 | |
| 112 | Service: Housing - Failure in resident involvement activities/compliance with the Social Housing Act /Consumer Standards - Tenant voice - failure to improve tenant involvement activities/implement the reset programme to help deliver tenant led recommendations and priorities and organisation objectives to comply with the Transparency, influence and accountability standard. Service Failure - Tenant Involvement governance arrangements and activities are not fit for purpose and do not allow the tenants voice to be heard/meaningful involvement in line with responsibilities under the SHA/Consumer Standards. | Reputational Impact - A poor service offer/lack of tenant involvement risks an increase in complaints as it fails to provide tenants with the platform and opportunity to help shape and add value to service improvements (and could also result in Regulator/Ombudsman intervention). Financial Impact – failure to establish efficient routes/platforms for tenants to raise their voice/concerns can be costly and also fails to capture financial efficiencies. Inefficient service delivery can be costly and lead to adding financial pressure on HRA. Legal Impact - New SHR regulatory requirements means the council as a landlord has a duty to comply and meet required standards, failing to do so it will breach and face sanctions imposed by the SHR. Overall Impact - There are currently no systemic arrangements to consult with tenants so this is a tangible risk in terms of SHR deciding infringements have taken place. However, to mitigate this risk, evidence can be presented to the SHR that work has begun to address this core issue. In respect of service delivery, involvement with tenants on a systematic basis, as envisaged in the Cabinet report of December 2024 on Tenant Management, would help drive up customer satisfaction levels. | | 5 | 4 | 20 | |



| Ref 116 | Risk Description Service: Housing - HRA Investment and Management Controls fail to comply with the Social Housing Act/Consumer Standards. 5 year investment programme - There is a need for the council as a landlord to set out the strategic direction for OCC's HRA capital management and investment plans, which must also form part of the medium to long term financial and service planning and budget setting process. It also risks complying with Social Housing Regulator expectations in relation to the council having the investment management and controls in place.The Council's current/planned investment activities fail to comply with the Social Housing Act //Regulator consumer standards. | short/medium/long term investment will prove difficult to evidence compliance and satisfy Social Housing Regulator regulatory requirements relating to effectively planning maintenance and delivering good outcomes and value for money to the HRA. Financial Impact - Risk of not being able to adopt investment planning risks the council in continuing to commission works in a reactive manner which can be costly and add further financial pressure to the HRA. It also risks in the Social Housing Regulator highlighting this as failure for delivering | Owner Nerys Parry | Current Probability 3 | Current Impact 3 | Risk Score 9 | Control description |
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| 117 | Service: Housing - HRA Asset Management Safety and Compliance - The council risks inability to comply with legislation and on-going changes relating to safety which form part of the new regulatory regime that bring increased scrutiny of council's approach to meeting all applicable fire, health and safety obligations to ensure the safety of all tenants. This would be caused by the council's safety and compliance activities failing to comply with the Social Housing Act customer standards. | complying with its Safety requirements will bring the council into disrepute, result in a loss of confidence and concerns from tenants about their safety Financial Impact - Failure to meet safety and compliance requirements will question council's | Nerys Parry | 3 | 4 | 12 | |

| Ref 118 | Risk Description Service: Housing - Repairs Maintenance - The council risks being unable as a landlord to comply with Social Housing Regulator consumer standard (Safety and Quality) to provide an effective, efficient and timely repairs, maintenance and planned improvements service for the homes and communal areas for which the council is responsible. A failure would be caused by the council's current/planned activities on property maintenance and repairs taking longer than expected and the council fails an inspection by the Regulator of Social Housing that as a social landlord OCC is complying with the Social Housing Act / regulator consumer standards. | HRA. This in turn will bring Ombudsman / Social Housing Regulator involvement and bring the council into disrepute. Financial Impact - OCC's inability to demonstrate effective governance and management of its HRA finances. Inability to manage repairs expenditure. Legal Impact - bringing the council into disrepute | Current Probability 2 | Current Impact 4 | Risk Score 8 | Control description |
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| 119 | Service: Housing - Voids - There is a risk that the council as a landlord will not comply with the Social Housing Regulator consumer standard (Safety and Quality) and provide an effective, efficient and timely voids service procedure for the homes which the council is responsible for. This would be caused by void works taking longer than expected and the council fails an inspection by the Regulator of Social Housing that as a social landlord OCC is complying with the Social Housing Act / regulator consumer standards. | Reputational Impact - OCC's inability to effectively manage voids can lead to increase in complaints and escalating costs, loss of rent and spend on HRA. This in turn will bring Ombudsman / Social Housing Regulator involvement and bring council into disrepute. Financial Impact - OCC's inability to demonstrate effective governance and management of its HRA finances. Inability to manage void expenditure and rent loss as a result of long term void turnarounds can impact on income to HRA. Legal Impact - bringing the council into disrepute and lack confidence in council's ability to meet its landlord legislative obligations and intervention from SHR. Overall Impact - while this risk, if realised, would be significant - steps have been made to mitigate this risk. The decision of the Cabinet to approve the HRA Business Plan, Asset Management and 5-Year Investment Programme and the Tenancy Management and Involvement programme has led to governance structures being introduced and a work programme being developed to include the issue of voids | 2 | 4 | 8 | |
| 120 | the housing service, including recruitment, retention of staff, and skilled workforce. Experienced staff might leave the council or move to new posts. Existing and new staff will require training on existing/new processes, best practice and changes in legislation, including the Social | skilled resources can impact on service delivery as well as affect the well-being of employees. In addition, restructuring may require employees to adapt to new roles, learn new skills, and cope with | 3 | 3 | 9 | |

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| 121 | Service: Housing - Housing IT and Systems - the ineffectiveness and transition of new and legacy systems can significantly impact the efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery across housing and ultimately tenant customer satisfaction. This would be caused by Housing IT systems failing to support the business needs of the service, affecting service delivery times and customer satisfaction levels | Reputational Impact - Inefficient systems, software, and hardware can slow down daily tasks, leading to a decrease in staff productivity and impact on service delivery overall to tenants Financial Impact - Increased Costs as a result of inefficient systems that do not talk to each other - consequently leading to higher operational costs. Maintaining outdated systems often requires more resources and specialised support, which can be expensive and add financial pressures to HRA Legal Impact - Council as a landlord has the obligation to ensure the integrity and security of systems it has in place Overall Impact - delays in service delivery, increased customer complaints and staff dissatisfaction/lower morale | Nerys Parry | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| 122 | Service: Housing - Data and performance - There is a risk that there will be a failure to have effective data and performance management systems in place. These are critical for making informed business decisions, both strategically and operationally. Existing processes and procedures fail to accurately record all data required on tenants (and housing applicants) - including protected characteristics, property/building information - including component data, to ensure activities and priorities for compliance, performance management/service improvement/risk management are all data led. | Reputational Impact - As the local housing authority, the council is required and responsible for ensuring the integrity of data, how it uses these for making decisions and reporting on performance to tenants, Regulator - including government returns. Failure to do this will result in loss of confidence and greater scrutiny from the Social Housing Regulator Financial Impact - Poor data and performance management impacts on the council's ability to deliver its HRA Business Plan priorities and reduce pressures on GF. For e.g.; unplanned cost increases, revenue reduction and poor client management functions - including ODS/contractors. This could also impact on council's ability to demonstrate its value for money duty across both HRA and GF Legal Impact - OCC as a landlord has the obligation to ensure the integrity and security of systems it has in place. It has duty to ensure the integrity of any data returns it submits to govt or social housing regulator Overall Impact - This is a significant risk as while the data function exists, the QL system needs to be fully operational. The need for reliable and up to the minute data is critical for all aspects of the HRA programme and therefore the need for data to be of consistently high quality remains paramount to the good functioning of the HRA service. | Nerys Parry | 3 | 4 | 12 |
| 123 | Service: Housing - Financial management of the Housing Revenue Account - There is a risk that the council, which has responsibility for the efficient and effective management of the HRA, fails to account and evidence the expenditure and income against the running of its housing stock. The council must provide sufficient evidence to the Social Housing Regulator of effective and efficient financial management of the HRA for OCC tenants and also compliance with expectations as a social landlord. | the SHR regulator inspection criteria "financial resilience" - which covers the extent on how HRA | Nerys Parry | 3 | 4 | 12 |

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| 124 | Service: Housing - Inadequate controls to manage HRA financial spend - result in an overspend, programme targets not being met and impacting on the ability to deliver services within the HRA. This might be caused by controls and clienting arrangements being inadequate to meet service needs. | Reputational Impact - failure to ensure effective joint working between OCC and service suppliers would impair the reliability of the maintenance and upkeep of the housing stock. This could lead to tenants expressing dissatisfaction which would damage the reputation of the OCC with tenants. If tenants decided to express concern on social media or to specific media outlets this would damage the reputation of OCC amongst the wider public and with key stakeholder groups as well as damage the relationship between OCC and Social Housing Regulator which could lead to infringement actions taken by the regulator. Financial Impact - is significant as it could lead to unsustainable budget overspends due to, amongst other factors, a lack of a joined up approach towards budgetary and programme works between OCC and ODS. This could undermine the HRA Budget and add financial pressures to the HRA business plan. The efficiency of effective financial controls would be brought into question as a direct consequence of the realisation of this risk profile. Legal Impact - disruptions in the working relationship between OCC and service suppliers that led to issues with maintenance and issues with budgetary controls would mean that this could lead to systemic failure with customer standards and economic governance that could necessitate Social Housing Regulator action against OCC. Tenants could potentially take legal action via a class action in reference to various housing statutes in such an extreme scenario. Overall Impact - disruptions in the working | | 2 | 4 | 8 | |
| 125 | Service: Communities & Citizen Services - Leisure contract financial performance - There is ongoing contract management and a partnership approach to the external leisure provision contract, to ensure stability with its financial performance. Causes of issues could include external factors such as pandemics, utility pricing or a bid that was unrealistic. | Financial impact to OCC and or service reduction to cut costs that impact service quality. | Hagan Lewisman | 4 | 4 | 16 | |
| 126 | Service: Communities & Citizen Services - Financial savings against community centres - Desired savings may not be achieved, because savings were developed without the input of the service area | Financial impact to OCC and or service reduction to cut costs. Service quality would be impacted. | Hagan Lewisman | 4 | 4 | 16 | |