## **EXETER CITY COUNCIL**

# SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - RESOURCES 23 MARCH 2011

# **EXECUTIVE** 5 APRIL 2011

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE RISK REGISTER ANNUAL REVIEW 2011**

## 1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To update the Committee of the Council's risk management progress and seek its recommendation that the Executive approves the updated corporate risk register

#### 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Risk Management Policy makes this Committee responsible for:
  - considering the corporate risk register (CRR) and recommending its approval to the Executive
  - monitoring the effectiveness of risk management throughout the Council and the progress made against the CRR target for actions dates

#### 3. RISK REGISTER

- 3.1 In order to avoid printing the full risk register, which consists of 30 pages, Councillors are able to view the register that was agreed by this Committee on 24 November 2010 on the Council's webpage <a href="http://www.exeter.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=6402&p=0">http://www.exeter.gov.uk/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=6402&p=0</a>
- The Risk Management Group and heads of service responsible for each entry have reviewed the risks and, based upon actions implemented and actual experience, have reassessed the Impact and Likelihood scores. This has resulted in: an increased risk; an additional risk being identified, and an existing risk being deleted as follows:

#### 3. Social

 Social Housing – Homelessness – increased from Medium to High risk as the economic situation and welfare reform will cause increased demand (please see Appendix 1 for details)

# 6. Environmental

Extreme weather disruption (e.g. heavy snow, floods) – Medium risk – New

 as such events are predicted to become more common in the future (please see Appendix 1 for details)

#### 8. Financial

• Concessionary fares – High risk – deleted as the Government has changed responsibility for this provision to county councils from district councils

3.3 The compilation of the full risk register has a timescale of nearly two months. To ensure that the risk register is as current as possible, it was circulated to the SMT and all heads of service before today's meeting to ensure entries are correct

#### 4. RISK MANAGEMENT PROGRESS

- 4.1 The roll-out to the services of risk and business continuity management is continuing.
- 4.2 The risk management policy has been revised and is attached at Appendix 2 for consideration and approval by this Committee

#### 5. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Scrutiny Committee - Resources:

- 5.1 reviews the updated Corporate Risk Register
- 5.2 approves submission of the annual corporate risk register to the Executive
- 5.2 approves submission of the revised risk management policy to the Executive

## **HEAD OF AUDIT**

# **CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE**

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended) Background papers used in compiling the report:

None