

Subject:	Quarter 1 Risk Report	Status:	For Publication
Report to:	Audit & Accounts Committee	Date:	27 th September 2016
Report of:	Media and Engagement Officer	Portfolio Holder:	Finance and Resources
Key Decision:	<input type="checkbox"/> Forward Plan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X	General Exception <input type="checkbox"/>	Special Urgency <input type="checkbox"/>
Equality Impact Assessment:	Required:	No	Attached: N/A
Biodiversity Impact Assessment	Required:	No	Attached: N/A
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1.	RECOMMENDATION(S)
1.1	That the Audit and Accounts Committee consider the level of risks detailed in the report and note their management and ranking.

2. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Audit and Accounts Committee:
- An overview of risk management in Quarter 1 (April to June 2016).
 - The Quarter 1 Risk Report is attached as Appendix A.

3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES

- 3.1 The matters discussed in this report impact directly on the following corporate priorities:
- **Regenerating Rossendale:** This priority focuses on regeneration in its broadest sense, so it means supporting communities that get on well together, attracting sustainable investment, promoting Rossendale, as well as working as an enabler to promote the physical regeneration of Rossendale.
 - **Responsive Value for Money Services:** This priority is about the Council working collaboratively, being a provider, procurer and a commissioner of services that are efficient and that meet the needs of local people.
 - **Clean Green Rossendale:** This priority focuses on clean streets and town centres and well managed open spaces, whilst recognising that the Council has to work with communities and as a partner to deliver this ambition.

4. RISK ASSESSMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 All the issues raised and the recommendation(s) in this report involve risk considerations as set out below in the overview and summary.

5. OVERVIEW AND SUMMARY

	Q1	Quarter 1 Last Year
Low (Green)	60% (15)	86.7% (26)
Medium (Amber)	40% (10)	10% (3)
High (Red)	0% (0)	3.3% (1)

- 5.2 The majority of risks have been ranked as low in status for Quarter 1, this means that they have been seen by responsible managers as lower in likelihood and impact. This ranking is based on the mitigating actions in place to manage this risk.

5.3 There were no risks ranked as red this quarter, high in status, this is down on this quarter last year, and is reflective of the council wide approach to relooking at risk and re-categorising it.

5.4 For future quarter reports changes to risk scoring will be detailed in this report so that committee can monitor the changes.

COMMENTS FROM STATUTORY OFFICERS:

6. SECTION 151 OFFICER

6.1 Any financial implications arising are noted in this report.

7. MONITORING OFFICER

7.1 There are no immediate legal considerations attached to the recommendations in this report.

8. POLICY IMPLICATIONS AND CONSULTATION CARRIED OUT

8.1 Effective Risk Management is very important to the Council, and the Council is committed to improving on an on-going basis how it manages and mitigates risk. A very important part of this process is robust and transparent scrutiny and taking timely, corrective action to improve risk management.

In completing this report, consultation has been undertaken with;

- Management Team
- Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources
- Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

9. CONCLUSION

9.1 Quarter 1 sees the council managing its risks well. Further quarters will demonstrate more robust management as changes in risk rankings become evident between quarters. Risks were thoroughly reviewed in the development of the new business plan for 2016/17 to reflect the council's appetite for risk and to also reflect recent learning in terms of risk management.

Background Papers	
Document	Place of Inspection
Covalent Performance Management System	Covalent System or ask Katie Gee