

5. CABINET REFERRALS

5.1 Finance and Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee
– 3 September 2013

OS/146/13 QUARTER 1 RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT 2013/14 –
Refers to Agenda Item 9.

L Dargue introduced the Quarter 1 Risk Management Report 2013/14 and referred to the ongoing dealings with High Barnes and mentioned that they are still awaiting approval from the auditors as this has been delayed. The officer offered her apologies on the delay of the report.

L Dargue offered to take questions from Members.

Key points of discussion

Councillor Doole highlighted to the officer that information security was still not on the register and asked what was being done to ensure that this was being included for future reference.

L Dargue replied that there had been a delay with the Audit report and apologised to Members for this, however she reassured Members that this would commence in due course.

Councillor Doole mentioned that a 2yr cycle was far too long for this report and asked if there had been an impact on the risk register due to this.

L Dargue pointed out that moving forward she could see no reason for there to be any issues and that there had been no impact on the risk register as a result of the delay.

P Sutton pointed out that the internal auditors had been appointed to carry out the reports which have now been received. However they will need to digest the information before it goes live.

Councillor W Wyatt – Lowe referred to page 55, M2 and pointed out that the terminology on this part of the risk register needed to be amended to be more clear and concise.

Councillor W Wyatt – Lowe also made reference to page 57, R2 and asked the officer if we know of what other issues that are affecting other authorities.

L Dargue said that she would look at the terminology used.

S Baker replied that there has been a Corporate Working Group set up and their role is to look externally (which is all part of the remit). This group has expanded and members of the team are very proactive in making assessments.

Councillor Adeleke made reference to pages 50-57 and asked if the ownership would change once Sally Marshall becomes Chief Executive.

L Dargue said that once the new Chief Executive has been appointed then there will be a new risk register produced.

Councillor Marshall referred to page 56 R2 and the Localism Act and asked if this has even been reported to any of the other Overview & Scrutiny Committee's before and if so which ones.

Councillor Harden arrived at 7.45pm.

S Baker replied that the Corporate Function Group were satisfied that the Council had done all that was required of them. S Baker confirmed that he would include a summary report for all Members with regards to the Localism Act.

Councillor Marshall asked the officer if this was something that could be looked at with the Health OSC Committee.

S Baker said that a report will be going to the Health OSC on 04 September for them to look at.

Councillor Marshall said that it would be useful if all of the OSC Committee's had access to this report.

S Baker said that he will look into this for all Members.

Actions:

- S Baker to include a summary report for all Members on all OSC Committee's on the Localism Act.

Outcome:

That the content of the report is noted and recommended to Cabinet for approval together with any associated comments.