Corporate Risk Register 2021/22 Q2

Risk Area	Specific risks	Owner (CD / HoS)	Existing Controls	Current Risk Scores and rating(se e table below)	Emerging risks & opportunities	Corporate priority
1. Change Management Organisational cultures and other barriers impact on ability to manage and implement change effectively.	 Ineffective employee engagement and buy-in to new delivery models affects delivery objectives as people do not have the right skills to deliver project outcomes resulting in a demotivated workforce. Insufficient capacity, skills and expertise to deliver reform programmes, successfully establish traded services and complex change, resulting in further pressure on existing services and increased costs. Insufficient management information business intelligence to properly model proposed changes and impacts. 	Corporate Leadership Team (Holly Rae)	 4 core values that run through everything we do and are known as the Stockport way of doing things. As an organisation we stay true to them no matter what challenges we face. Development of our council transformation programme, across four key areas: We are a Council that is Built around our Communities We are a Council that maximises the opportunities of Digital We are a Council that values Partnerships and Collaboration 	L3x I2 Medium	Failure to deliver effective services under "new normal" and realise the benefits of more digital ways of working.	AII

 Services unable to provide the required level of input into enabling schemes. An unstable, demotivated workforce at a time of change. Failure to co-produce strategies and approaches to inclusion with residents, making it difficult to build relationships and trust with local communities. 	4. We are a Council that cares about our staff and engages them in the future • A management tool has now been procured and is being embedded across the organisation. This tool is supporting a greater cross-cutting view of projects and programmes and will over the medium to longer term facilitate improved benefit tracking. This is also supported by a series of approval mechanisms to ensure understanding of the breadth of projects or programmes within delivery, this includes: regular (e.g. monthly) directorate management team updates and an eapproval route for initial business cases.
	Updates on the transformation programme are published within the Cabinet's response to

the MTFP. This includes
identification of proposals
to support a balanced
budget.
Contributing to the
delivery of the Borough
Plan is a core part of
our transformation
programme. Mapping
of borough plan priorities
to partnership boards
and delivery plans (new/
existing / to be
developed) has been
undertaken to ensure
there is a clear golden
thread between the
strategic partnership
ambitions and tangible
actions and change.
actions and change.
The outcomes framework
continues to be
developed in partnership,
the first stage of this has
involved the launch of the
Big Stockport Picture and
some initial feedback
from partners on the
emerging framework. A
further version for
discussion and feedback
will be available over the
coming months.
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2. Financial Failure to deliver MTFP (savings targets and balanced budget).	 The financial landscape continues to be challenging due to the significant levels of uncertainty, volatility and risk exacerbated by the financial impact of the pandemic. It is clear that the financial environment facing Local Authorities is subject to significant financial risk as a result of changes to funding arrangements and the spending pressures that they will face over the medium term period. As a result, careful management and identification of these risks will be essential, and updates to the MTFP forecasts and assumptions will need to be continual during 2021/22. The 2021/22 Local Government Finance 	Michael Cullen/ Jonathan Davies	Over the financial year, the MTFP forecasts and assumptions continue to be retested to ensure they remain robust and based on the latest information available to inform decision making. The financial landscape remain uncertain, volatile and inherent with financial risk which the continual MTFP updates help to address. In addition the upates continue to reassess the financial scarring impact of the pandemic and the the impact of any national decisions and announcements in terms of further national lockdowns, tier restrictions and success of the vaccine rollout.	L4x I4 High	The 2021/22 Quarter 1+ forecast outturn position presented to Cabinet in September highlighted a forecast surplus of £3.336m. It is noted that this is after the balancing of Cash Limit budgets via the provisional allocation of £8.531m from the COVID-19 financial scarring impact contingency to offset additional costs and income losses incurred. A balance of £2.666m remains available for the remainder of the financial year to address any additional cost and/or income losses not identified in	AII

- Settlement continued the trend of one-year funding settlements seen in previous financial years which provide no certainty over funding and again add to the uncertainty of the financial landscape making medium term financial planning difficult.
- Balancing the Council's inyear financial position including the delivery of approved saving proposals included in the Council's budget.
- Success of the Council's MTFP delivery plan including the approval and delivery of identified saving proposals linked to transformational change and robust corporate governance to support the balancing of the Council's 2022/23 budget.

- Government Spending Review and Local Government Finance Settlement.
- The Council's MTFP delivery plan including it approach to continuing transformational change and robust corporate governance over the medium term period.
- The Finance Team continues to complete the monthly iterations of the Government's COVID19 financial impact return.
- Continuing budget monitoring and forecasting of the 2021/22 outturn position to identify any core budget underspends/offsets
- Continued financial update reports regularly presented to Cabinet .
- The Council's Reserves
 Policy was apoproved by
 Cabinet in September
 2021. The Policy ensures
 one-off resources held
 are aligned to the
 Council's corporate and
 strategic objectives and

- the Quarter 1+ forecast.
- The £23.177m
 2022/23 forecast
 savings requirement
 reported in February
 2021 has reduced to
 £20.170m following
 the Cabinet approval
 of the MTFP Update
 which retested the
 underpinning MTFP
 forecasts and
 assumptions.
- MTFP delivery plan has identified £10.321m of saving proposals for 2022/23 linked to transformational change and robust corporate governance. These proposals will now go through required consultation and scrutiny before being presented for approval by Cabinet in February 2022. The balance of the saving requirement will be identified through further identified adjustments to the MTFP forecasts and

supporting the Council's financial resilience and robustness. Review of the Council's Capital Programme to consider rephasing of capital schemes and reduce the revenue costs of the schemes. Further updates of the Council's MTFP and revised savings requirement across the medium-term will be taken through future Scrutiny cycles and Cabinet. Scrutiny cycles and Cabinet. Scrutiny cycles and Cabinet. Scrutiny cycles and Cabinet.				
medium term period	fina robu Rev Cap con cap redu of th Furt Cou revi requ the take	ncial resilience and ustness. riew of the Council's pital Programme to sider rephasing of ital schemes and uce the revenue costs he schemes. Ther updates of the incil's MTFP and sed savings uirement across medium-term will be an through future utiny cycles and	consideration of local taxation and use of reserves. The Government's 2021 Autumn Budget and Spending Review was announced on 27 October. and Local Government Finance Settlement. The key announcement for Local Government was additional grant funding (£4.8bn nationally) over the spending review period. On the face of it, the unexpected announcement of £4.8bn of additional new grant funding is significantly more positive than commentators had expected. However, caution is advised as the detailed allocation methodology for this and other funding has not been released. In addition, there are financial risks and new burdens costs over the	

	which will need to be
	considered against this
	additional funding
	allocation including
	price inflation, pay
	inflation including
	National Living Wage
	increases and
	increased national
	insurance costs.
	These costs will not
	only impact on the
	Council's MTFP, but
	also the costs of the
	Council's partners and
	providers/suppliers.
	The detail of funding
	allocation
	methodologies is
	expected to be
	provided as part of the
	Provisional Local
	Government Finance
	Settlement
	announcement in
	December.
	Government has
	recently completed a
	multi-year spending
	review setting out the
	Government
	departmental spending
	limits for the next three
	years. It is expected
	that the Local

		Government Finance
		Settlement will be set
		over the same period
		aiding the Council's
		medium term financial
		planning.
		The Government's
		Spending Review
		confirmed the
		continuation of the GM
		100% Business Rate
		Retention Pilot over.
		The impact the
		pandemic will have on
		the ongoing viability of
		businesses, reduction
		in rateable values due
		to material changes in
		circumstances appeals
		etc and the resulting
		impact on Business
		Rates income.
		Further national
		lockdowns and/or tier
		restrictions – financial
		and economic impact
		will continue to be
		significant if required.
		The impact of residents i.e. increases
		in financial
		hardship/crisis due to
		the ending of Government support
		schemes for
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		individuals i.e.
		furlough, job retention
		scheme etc, increasing
		demand for financial
		resilience and support
		services and impacting
		on the Council's
		income i.e. Council
		Tax.
		2020/21 Pay Award
		negotiations have
		resulted in an
		employer offer of
		1.75% pay increase.
		Trade Unions have
		rejected this offer and
		have recently balloted
		their members on
		whether to take
		industrial action. The
		Council' approved
		MTFP in February
		assumed a pay freeze
		in 2020/21 aligned to
		the Government's pay
		freeze for public sector
		workers (not including
		Local Government).
		The costs of the pay
		award will need to be
		funded in-year via
		available one-off
		resources and will be
		factored into the MTFP
		for future years. The

	MTFP Update
	approved by Cabinet
	in September factored
	in the cost of a 1.75%
	pay award in 2020/21
	across the medium
	term period.
	Government
	announcements linked
	to the reform of social
	care and increase to
	national living wage
	present a financial risk
	to the Council. Whilst
	the Council will receive
	Government funding to
	address the costs of
	these announcements
	there is no detail on
	the funding allocation
	methodology to
	determine if the
	quantum of funding will
	be sufficient to mitigate
	the costs in full. In
	addition, these
	announcements also
	have an impact on the
	Council's partners and
	suppliers/providers
	which have a potential
	indirect financial
	impact on the Council.
	Inflation forecasts
	expect inflation to peak
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					at 4% in 2022/23 before returning to the Bank of England 2% target rate by 2024/25. The Council's MTFP currently assumes a general inflation rate of 2% in 2022/23 and future years.	
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3. ICT Capacity Insufficient ICT infrastructure and capacity.	 The benefits of digital and information systems are unrealised Cyber Resilience 	Michael Cullen/ Adrian Davies	 Infrastructure Data Centre refresh plan approved (Nutanix procurement) including capacity for remote working and cloud services. Digital Strategy Road Map including Technology, Data and Transformation. Joint working across GM PSN assessment and testing, Cyber Essentials accreditation 	L2x I3 Medium		All

			Communications campaigns on threats from cyber-crime.			
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4. Demand Pressures Inability to influence behaviour change resulting in demand and expectations continue to rise.	 Welfare reform - Vulnerable residents suffer a fall in household incomes, with associated risks to health and wellbeing and increase in child poverty. Demand and expectations continue to rise against a backdrop of reduced resources for non-statutory services, leading to increasing demand and financial pressures, service delivery failure and an increase in complaints 	Corporate Leadership Team	 Action plan for implementation of reforms within services Working with Stockport Advice, DWP, Job Centre Plus, Stockport Homes and across Greater Manchester Monitor developments relating to the passage of supporting statutes for the Children and Social Care Act. MTFP Delivery Plan including channel shift to digital and restructuring of services and commissioning. 	L3x I4 Medium	 The national picture indicates that demand for ASC could increase by up to 30% post pandemic. The ASC change and transformation programme has been prioritised to enable the service to focus on operational and financial sustainability. Demand has increased during the pandemic both within Stockport and nationally and has resulted in an increase in looked after 	AII

The development of a performance framework in Adult Social Care (ASC) will enable early identification of changes in demand.	children, the associated placement costs and long-term duties to meet statutory corporate parenting responsibilities to both children in care and care leavers. In addition to this there is a requirement to support increasing numbers of children seeking asylum and refugees. The demand is expected to increase from the current 0.01% up to 0.07% of child population, potentially up to 46 children on the calculations being used nationally through the National Transfer Scheme, this is in addition to any spontaneous unaccompanied asylum-seeking children's arrivals.

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5. Supplier and partner risk Key suppliers and partners to significant projects and services may be unable to deliver on behalf of the Council.	 Service failure or projects overrun or cannot be completed. Services commissioned and procured may not be delivered to the requisite cost or standards. A combination of low wages, staff burnout, stricter immigration rules and mandatory Covid-19 vaccines pushing the social care workforce into staffing crisis destablising the care market. 	Corporate Leadership Team	 Procurement process including financial assessments of potential suppliers followed by annual financial checks. Robust business continuity and contingency plans. Proactive support and capacity building for recruitment and retention within the social care sector. Care provider forums to share emerging issues develop close and trusted working relationships. Stockport ASC Enhanced Ethical Framework (real 	L2x I3 Medium	 MTFP -Procurement Strand Risk assessments of Care Home providers being undertaken. Children's projection modelling to inform sufficiency strategy Social Care Reforms Mandatory covid19 vaccinations for care home staff. Recruitment & retention of staff across the care sector places challenges on the external care market. 	All

			Home closure and home care recommissioning protocols have been updated and are in place.			
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6. Information Governance Failure to protect the Council's information assets including personal and sensitive personal data and other confidential data.	 Loss of control of personal data and non-compliance with the Data Protection Act (DPA) resulting in harm or damage to the data subject and a negative impact on the reputation of the Council as custodian of personal and sensitive information and possible financial risk via financial penalties. Non-compliance with new General Data Protection Regulation requirements resulting in censure from Information Commissioner and potential data breaches. Data Sharing: 	Michael Cullen (Craig Hughes/ Karen Lane)	 Action plan to meet GDPR requirements ongoing. IG and ICT security policies and procedures including assessment and coordination of serious information governance incidents. Robust governance, management and monitoring arrangements including new SIRO Board Data Breach Panel. Mandatory staff training, 	L2x I3 Medium	 Increased risk during period of change, with more data being shared between organisations, employees taking on new roles etc. Data sharing opportunities with key partners for example, health and police partners. GDPR implementation will raise significant challenges but may help facilitate the Business Intelligence work 	AII

Contravention of principle 1 of the Data Protection Act re. fair processing including the Troubled Families and other multi-agency programmes • Failure to appropriately assign and manage Information Assets resulting in a failure to accurately document what records are held, holding records for longer than required resulting in increased storage requirements and limiting the Council's ability to respond fully to Information Rights requests	 Regular communication and awareness raising Corporate Records Retention Schedule Combined Corporate Information Asset Register and Record of Processing Activity 	 IG team at full establishment levels and new IG Manager/DPO appointed. Migration of network drives to Sharepoint must be recognised as a move to a new electronic Records Management system and appropriately resourced, automatic controls implemented to reduce the risk of individual error, Asset Owners identified and aware of their responsibilities and all staff appropriately trained The current IAR/RoPA
		has been in place for 3 years and needs updating • Office moves as a result of office refurbishments and a move to a hybrid working model have highlighted poor

					an opportunity to embed good practice	
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7. Adult Social Care (ASC) Change & Transformatio n programme Financial resources and capacity are insufficient to deliver the strategic change programme and associated benefits to required timescales.	 Service transformation projects are risky, high-profile, complex, interdependent and costly, and ultimately challenging to deliver. They are prone to falling short of promised benefits and / or exceeding budgets and can present the greatest risk of failure to the Council. The implementation of the new operating model was paused in February 2020 as a direct result of covid-19. This means that the above work will no longer be achieved against the original timescales. 	Mark Fitton/ Emma Bowe	Throughout 2019 ASC worked with an external agency to re-design the service offer for Adult Social Care, to ensure future sustainability and a pathway that focuses on outcomes and independence. The design phase of this work was completed in late 2019 and the programme moved into implementation. This was initially delayed by the pandemic, however the programme is now well into implementation. The service continues to develop and refine the model to ensure that we are building back better	L3 x l4 High	 In July 2021 the service reported that a full review and prioritisation exercise had been undertaken. Six key priorities have been identified that will enable the service to implement change, deliver financial sustainability, respond to legislative changes, as well as to deliver on the priorities set out in the one health and care plan. The service continues to respond to the covid19 pandemic. This has impacted 	1. Stockport people are able to make positive choices and be independen t and those who need support will get it 4. Communitie s in Stockport will be safe, resilient and inclusive

from the pandemic and embed any legislative changes. The implementation programme is supported with dedicated resource through the ASC Transformation Lead and the change and transformation team. This team work with service experts to implement the required changes, whilst identifying and managing risks The risks of failure to deliver is overseen by the ASC Transformation Lead and the Senior Management Team. Regular (monthly) highlight reports are produced, risks and mitigating actions are identified through this approach.	the pace and delivery timescales for the many workstreams. The wider programme has now recommenced. The service has previously reported a delay to the programme. Despite this, the service has had to respond at pace to implement changes arising from new guidance and legislation. For example, the implementation of the Hospital Discharge Policy and Discharge to Assess programme. The learning from this will be embedded across the programme and will enable the service to further embed its strategic vision.
Work on commissioning within the social care market will continue to address the growing costs that Adult Social Care is currently funding,	In July 2021, the service reported that the diagnostic phase of the strengths and asset based

particularly within the residential and nursing sector. • A number of the current workstreams place a strong emphasis on partnership working. The service is working in a collaborative way across the health and social care economy to ensure that outcomes for individuals are maximised and that	programme had commenced. This has recently been completed and feedback has been provided to both the Senior Management and Wider Leadership Team. This programme will now focus on a review of systems and policies, followed by the launch of the training programme in January 2022.
services are operationally and financially sustainable.	The majority of staffing teams are now aligned to the new model. The service continues to face challenges with recruitment to a number of posts. Recruitment drives continue and teams are working in collaboration with HR to tackle the challenges faced in relation to difficult to fill posts. To aid with this in the medium term the service have recently launched a number of

				Current Risk Scores	senior leaders both in the Council and Health and Social Care Partnership to influence and develop the locality construct in response to Integrated Care Systems. • Additional pressures for transformational delivery, demand and supply management place a heavy demand on existing resources which may lead to delays or delivery failure in some areas.	
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8. Social Care restructuring (Childrens and Education)	•	Se pr pr de
Financial resources and capacity are insufficient to deliver the strategic change programme and associated		ult de fa be bu th

benefits to required

timescales.

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Chris McLoughlin (Carolyn Anderson)

- The new model for Stockport Family and Education Services was one of the proposals through the MTFP process (2019/20).
- The Programme Lead has led a strategic review of Children's and **Education Services to** identify areas of best practice, potential duplication and opportunities for integration. The same lead has also led the delivery of the Written Statement of Action in response to the OFTSED/ CQC inspection of SEND provision, ensuring goal congruence.
- Oversight by the Children and Education Review Group (Heads of Service from Education and Principal Leads in Stockport Family) chaired by the Director of Children's Services.
- The Werneth and Brinnington Enhanced

The continuing challenges created by Covid-19 are impacting on the wider transformation programme and the delivery timescales. However, alongside the collaborative work between the Council and partners as part of One Stockport, work is taking place to establish a structure and model for delivery of children's services that will support children and families through a period of recovery. This will include work to understand the impact of the pandemic, lockdown and enduring social distancing on children, young people and families, including unidentified and unmet needs, the impact on inequality of outcomes and service delivery / demand. As part of this a partnership plan

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from education settings for our young people. We are
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yet to fully understand this impact, particularly upon our vulnerable learners	We have worked with school leaders to identify the priorities which have formed the basis of our Education Recovery Strategy. This strategy will maximise the impact of government resources and provide a strategic framework to support individual school planning. Having discussed this with our headteachers we agreed that there were 3 core priorities: Reading (including oracy and communication) Curriculum (including both what is taught and how it is delivered) Enriching experiences (including developing good emotional wellbeing through daily relationships and high quality social interaction) These will be delivered through:	agencies during the covid period which have impacted upon delivery of services under the action plan. Stockport Childrens services have been working with partners on this and future planning. • Additional pressures for transformational delivery, demand and supply management place a heavy demand on existing resources which may lead to delays or delivery failure in some areas.

			 integrated service provision championing professional learning and discussion using research findings well as the basis for professional learning 			
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9a- School places Commissioning of school places in a challenging financial and legislative landscape, with an increased focus on house building; leading to an insufficient supply of school places across the Borough.	 Demand for primary places exceeds number of available places in specific pupil place planning areas, although not across the entire borough. The pressure hotspots are located in Marple and the Heatons. Increasing pressure on secondary school places particularly in the central area of the borough, with sufficient places overall but 	Michael Cullen Chris McLoughlin Caroline Simpson Tim Bowman Geraldine Gerrard Bev Milway	 Liaise with cross-departmental colleagues to develop a borough-wide school investment strategy for planning and development of school places based on accurate data analysis to inform short, medium and long term place planning. Ensure the annual school capacity return (SCAP) reflects accurately the 	L3 x I2 Medium (High for SEN)	 The DSG review recommends a much more robust specialist support offer to mainstream settings to ensure pupils with additional needs are supported. Differentiated place funding will enable schools that educate those with additional needs the ability to purchase additional 	All

not in the right areas demographically. Some parents are not allocated first preference schools. Large secondary schools and schools that accept more pupils than their Net Capacity has an impact on quality of education provision. Places for children with complex needs SEMH and Education Health and Care Plans are limited and requires a robust inclusion strategy and further specialist place planning and training for mainstream staff	James Kington	pressures Stockport is experiencing to ensure appropriate central government capital support. Write successful bids to provide capital support for school expansion programmes. Rebuild and expand Lisburne School Secondary special free School to be built on the Orrishmere site. Working with Senior Leaders across schools to develop an Education Inclusion Strategy to ensure children and young people have access to the most appropriate local educational placement that will break down barriers and support them to reach their full potential based on their needs and support requirements	resources to meet need. The Lisburne rebuilding will accommodate more Primary SEND although there will be a future "bulge" in Secondary SEND places to be dealt with as the Council works through the proposal to deliver the new secondary SEND free school. Coherent SEND training offer across the local area from SEND/Inclusion services
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9b. Condition of School Estate	The quality of the school estate is deteriorating and there is a backlog of urgent condition repairs.	Caroline Simpson Chris McLoughlin Michael Cullen James Kington	A reassessed programme of condition surveys across the entire school estate, followed by a phased programme of repairs being completed.	L3 x I2 Medium	 Bidding in future waves of DfE condition funding. Comprehensive strategic targeted investment programme to address significant areas of concern across the portfolio. 	3. Stockport will be a place people want to live 4. Communitie s in Stockport will be safe, resilient and inclusive
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Failure of safeguarding arrangements for children and vulnerable adults.	 Financial and reputational risk to the Council if vulnerable adults are not identified and supported, regardless of Care Act eligibility Reputational risk to the Council if safeguarding 	Mark Fitton/ Chris McLoughlin (Nuala O'Rourke/	 Review of effectiveness of Multi Agency Adults at Risk (MAARS) to be undertaken Work to assure Care Act compliance prioritised in 2018/19 	L2x I4 Medium	Restructuring in both Adults and Childrens services bring opportunities for better awareness and more effective engagement with vulnerable	1. Stockport people are able to make positive choices and be independen t and those

	services are not Care Act compliant Reputational risk to the Council around DOLS and how the Council works with the Coroner's Office Financial risk to the Council if legal action is taken by families waiting for DOLS assessments to be authorised by local authority/supervisory body. Reputational risk to the Council if children and families are not identified and support.	Julia Newton)	 Review of DOLS processes including increased capacity Safeguarding Children and Adults Boards Integration of adults and children's safeguarding processes Multi-Agency Safeguarding and Support Hub (MASSH) and Stockport Family First Response Team 		children, adults and their families.	who need support will get it 4. Communitie s in Stockport will be safe, resilient and inclusive
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11.	Delivering
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Failure to deliver sustainable key strategic, regeneration and capital investment programmes.

- Failure or delay in key growth and highways programmes impacting on growth objectives and local economy, e.g. in reducing congestion, increased employment..
- Short-term impact of major infrastructure and development projects, with roadworks, congestion and reduced parking affecting town centre.
- Insufficient funding and land supply impacting on ability to deliver new housing development.
- External market developments negatively impact income and benefit assumptions, both at commencement of a scheme but also at break points in leases.
- Progress on specific projects is not viewed strategically, impacting on ability of Growth and Reform programme to deliver on the scale and timing required.

Caroline Simpson/ Paul Richards

- Inclusive Growth programme
- Agreed deadlines are realistic and achievable.
- Regular updates provided by project leads.
- Strategic overview and challenge.
- Timeline for each project controlled.
- Corporate Estates Strategy / Asset Management Plan.
- Regular progress meetings held, e.g. on TC co-ordination to ensure disruption is minimised.
- Proactive and independent advice/assurance that Internal Audit/Risk and external advisors provide to all key projects.
- Greater flexibility on planning including 'Brownfield First' approach to bring sites

- Stockport Local Plan and Greater Manchester Spatial Framework in development.
- Stockport Exchange Ph3 and onwards.
- Creation of the Stockport Mayoral Development Corporation which has led to greater investor interest in the town and has accelerated delivery.
- Enhanced support from GM Combined Authority and Homes England for growth in Stockport town centre.

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Strategic Business
Plan 2020-2025 for the
MDC now approved by
Council and GMCA.
Business Plan will be
subject to regular
reviews to reflect any
current or forecast
impact of COVID-19
on the property market
and regeneration

- 2. Stockport will benefit from a thriving economy
- 3. Stockport will be a place people want to live

Projects not delivered within agreed timescales meaning that savings need to be found from other budgets or from reserves. Conflict or duplication between project outcomes. Impact of Covid 19 on the value of investments and viability of regeneration programmes, for example Mayoral Development Corporation strategic plan.	 Establishment of local housing company (Viaduct Housing) to maximise available funding Increased capacity for pre-application advice to improve quality of submissions and reduce delays. Close liaison with Members on applications and call-ins. Clear mechanisms in place to ensure the Council has adequate control and influence over the Stockport Mayoral Development Corporation Robust programme and project management around the Growth and Reform programme. 	ambitions for Town Centre West.	

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12. Climate Emergency	 The Council declared a Climate Emergency in March 2019. Challenges measuring the impact of any plans and policies implemented by the Council. Affecting change within a limited resource envelope. 	Caroline Simpson (Mark Glynn)	 Member led Climate Emergency Task Group formed. All members have been offered Carbon Literacy training 120 Council staff have received Carbon Literacy training. 	L3x I2 Medium	Risk of insufficient funds to deliver CAN in timescales set out.	All

			 The Council has launched its Stockport CAN (Climate Action Now) strategy with a new financial appraisal framework being developed to ensure that all investment decisions include impact upon carbon as a key factor. Annual report on progress presented to Communities and Housing Scrutiny 			
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13. Pandemic	The Covid-19 pandemic has had and will continue to have significant implications for the residents and economy of Stockport as well as the Council's day to day operations from February 2020 onwards with significant organisational	Corporate Leadership Team	In line with Central Government guidelines, Council staff have been working from home where possible. Whilst this has inevitably had an impact, new ways of working for these staff and their teams have swiftly been adopted and	L4x I4 High	 Second wave/ future resurgence of Coronavirus or a new pandemic pathogen. Failure to deliver effective services under "new normal" ways of working. 	All

disruption, new emergency
responsibilities and increas
ed staff absence from the
traditional workplace
replaced with staff
delivering services whilst
working from home.

- Inevitable impact on corporate governance arrangements throughout the Council.
- All other corporate risks will be impacted either due to delays on programmes, diversion of resource, funding challenges or physical restrictions from distancing.
- Whilst the country, the Borough and the Council may be in recovery from the impact of the pandemic and lockdown, there may well be a second wave, or indeed separate pathogenic risk emerging.

- technology used to minimise the extent of this impact.
- Senior managers have reverted to service business continuity plans and this approach has been pivotal in developing a stable working from home platform.
- Risk management arrangements have been considered around the working from home environment, the reliability and robustness of IT systems and technologies, health and safety issues, consideration of data and the security of data held in line with GDPR regulations and legislative requirements.
- Some services were suspended with staff redeployed to other areas including new areas of activity in response to the crisis
- A governance structure was put in place to

- Impact on service delivery as a result of the financial challenges raised by the 2020 pandemic (see Risk 2) and the continued restrictions on movement and activity from various stages of lockdown.
- Good progress with the vaccine deployment.

ensure a cohesive boroughwide response to key Coronavirus related challenges with partner organisations
Group Leaders' Meetings have been taking place weekly and Group Leaders have been briefed in relation to all decisions required to be taken as have the Chairs of all relevant committees and Scrutiny committees to which decisions relate.
Remote member meetings from May 2020.
Equality impact assessments undertaken for all areas of service change
Public Health are developing a pandemic management plan for future outbreaks.

Methodology	Combined score (Likelihood and Impact each rated 1-4)	Rating
Best practice is to score individual risks	1-4	Low
in terms of likelihood and impact of the risk materialising (each 1-4) and	6-9	Medium
allocate a risk rating that combines the	12-16	High
two.		