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Summary

This report has been produced to provide the Markets Committee with assurance that risk management procedures in place within the Department of Markets and Consumer Protection are satisfactory and that they meet the requirements of the corporate Risk Management Framework.

Risk is reviewed regularly by the departmental Senior Management Team as part of the on-going management of operations within the Department of Markets and Consumer Protection. In addition to the flexibility for emerging risks to be raised as they are identified, a process exists for in-depth periodic review of the risk register.

The Department of Markets and Consumer Protection have identified a number of departmental risks. Of these, the most significant risks for this Committee to consider are:

- MCP-NS 001 – Workplace Traffic Management, New Spitalfields (Current Risk: AMBER)
- MCP-SM 001 – HGV Unloading Operations, Smithfield (Current Risk: AMBER)

Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

- Note the report and the actions taken in the Department of Markets and Consumer Protection to monitor, and manage effectively, risks arising from our operations.

Main Report

Background

1. The Risk Management Framework of the City of London Corporation requires each Chief Officer to report regularly to Committee the key risks faced in their department.

Current Position

2. This report provides an update of the key risks that exist in relation to the operations of the wholesale markets within the Department of Markets and Consumer Protection.

The report also outlines the processes adopted for the on-going review of risk and mitigating actions.

Risk Management Process

3. The Department of Markets and Consumer Protection risk management is a standing agenda item at the regular Departmental Senior Management Group (SMG) meeting, over and above the suggested quarterly review. SMG receives the risk register for review, together with a briefing note highlighting any changes since the previous review. Consideration is also given as to whether any emerging risks exist for inclusion in the risk register as part of Divisional updates on key issues from each of the Superintendents and Assistant Directors, ensuring that adequate consideration is given to operational risk.
4. Between each SMG meeting, risk and control owners are consulted regarding the risks for which they are responsible, with updates captured accordingly.
5. Regular risk management update reports are provided to this Committee in accordance with the City's Risk Management Framework.

Identification of New Risks

6. New and emerging risks are identified through a number of channels, the main being:
 - Directly by SMG as part of the regular review process.
 - In response to regular review of delivery of the departmental Business Plan; slippage against key deliverables, for example.
 - Annual, fundamental, risk register review, undertaken by the tier of management below SMG.

The risk register may be refreshed over and above the stated process for review and oversight, in response to emerging issues or changing circumstances.

Summary of Key Risks

7. The Department of Markets and Consumer Protection's Risk Register for Markets, attached as Appendix 1 to this report, has two AMBER risks.

MCP-NS 001 – Workplace Traffic Management New Spitalfields (Current Risk: AMBER constant)

Over 200 forklift trucks are in operation on the New Spitalfields Market site.

An accident involving a pedestrian and a vehicle which resulted in a serious or life changing injury could result in prosecution, a fine, reputational damage for the City and have an adverse impact on the operation and sustainability of the service.

As these activities are undertaken in an area under the direct control of the City, an accident involving a pedestrian and a vehicle which resulted in a serious or life changing injury could result in prosecution, a fine, or reputational damage for the City.

The Superintendent is currently putting in place arrangements for a member of staff from all tenants to be trained in FLT safety procedures. Completing this action should enable the risk to be reduced to its target level of 8.

MCP-SM 001 – HGV Unloading Operations Smithfield (Current Risk: AMBER constant)

A lack of suitable and sufficient training and adequate management controls in relation to Heavy Goods Vehicle banksman activities, undertaken by staff employed by Smithfield Market tenants, on an area under the overall control of the City, could result in a serious or life changing injury to pedestrians, caused by uncontrolled or unguided reversing vehicles.

An accident involving a pedestrian and a vehicle which resulted in a serious or life changing injury could result in prosecution, a fine, reputational damage for the City and have an adverse impact on the operation and sustainability of the service.

Having reduced the risk to its target level of 12, consideration has been given to whether there is an opportunity to reduce the target risk level further. The risk owner, the Superintendent, has reviewed the prevailing site conditions, and the feasibility of introducing additional controls that could reduce the risk further, and considers that the risk is currently being managed at the lowest achievable level, given the unique inner-city environment. The situation will be kept under regular review.

Conclusion

8. Members are asked to note that risk management processes within the Department of Markets and Consumer Protection adhere to the requirements of the City Corporation's Risk Management Framework. Risks identified within the operational and strategic responsibilities of the Department of Markets and Consumer Protection are proactively managed.

Appendices

- Appendix A – Markets Risk Register Summary

Background Papers

Department Business Plan
Department Risk Review
Department Business Plan Progress Report
Risk Management Strategy

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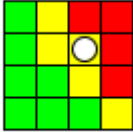
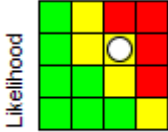

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Risk no, title, creation date, owner	Risk Description (Cause, Event, Impact)	Current Risk Rating & Score		Risk Update and date of update	Target Risk Rating & Score		Target Date	Current Risk score change indicator
MCP-NS 001 Workplace Traffic Management 24-Feb-2015 Ben Milligan	Cause: Over 200 forklift trucks operate on the New Spitalfields Market site. Event: There is a serious risk of life changing injury to a pedestrian if vehicle movements in this constrained space are not appropriately managed and controlled. Effect: An accident involving a pedestrian and a vehicle which resulted in a serious or life changing injury could result in prosecution, a fine, reputational damage for the City and have an adverse impact on the operation and sustainability of the service.	Likelihood Impact	12	The SpMTA are still in discussion with the training provider to set dates for the managers training. The superintendent is actively engaged with the SpMTA to ensure this training is delivered to all tenants. 06 Feb 2019	Likelihood Impact	8	29-Mar-2019	 Constant

Action no	Action description	Latest Note	Action owner	Latest Note Date	Due Date
MCP-NS 001i	A member of staff from all tenants to be nominated and trained in FLT safety procedures.	SpMTA ready to confirm dates of delivery.	Ben Milligan	06-Feb-2019	29-Mar-2019
MCP-NS 001k	Controlled barriers entry system for pedestrians and vehicles.	The scheme has been submitted for planning approval which should be given shortly. Full design drawings have been completed and once planning permission is granted the project will start on site.	Ben Milligan	06-Feb-2019	31-Mar-2019

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MCP-SM 001 HGV Unloading Operations 24-Feb-2015 Mark Sherlock	Cause: A lack of suitable and sufficient training and adequate management controls in relation to Heavy Goods Vehicle banksman activities undertaken by staff employed by Smithfield Market tenants. Event: Serious or life changing injury to members of the public, market staff and other service users caused by uncontrolled or unguided reversing vehicles. Effect: Realisation of this risk could result in a prosecution, fine and reputational damage for the City.	 Likelihood Impact	12	The bi-monthly audit of unloading operations has been organised An interim review of significant findings will be conducted once the audit has been completed. 06 Feb 2019	 Likelihood Impact	12	07-Jan-2019	 Constant

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MCP-SM001k	Keep the risk under review.	This review will follow the next planned audit, the aim of the audit is to ensure that only fully trained Banksman, wearing appropriate PPE are used to direct vehicular/pedestrian traffic and reverse vehicles onto loading bays.			Mark Sherlock	06-Feb-2019	29-Mar-2019