SUR Departmental risks - detailed report EXCLUDING COMPLETED ACTIONS for COMMITTEE

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CR37 Maintenance and Renewal of Corporate Physical Operational Assets (excluding housing assets)	Cause: Poor property condition combined with insufficient budget allocation to maintain assets in line with strategy/ commitments/expectations. Event: Misalignment between funding available and that required by the asset (as defined by the relevant Asset Management Strategy). Impact: Built estate becomes not fit for purpose / functions / occupancy. Cost of maintenance and utility costs increases, placing further pressure on City resources. In extreme circumstances there will be H&S implications, leading to potential enforcement action, legal action by tenants or asset failure in whole or part with detrimental effects leading to impact on occupiers	Impact	16	The main driver of this risk is the adequacy of funding to manage and mitigate asset risks. This risk is corporate wide, so extending to sites where asset accountability sits with the relevant Premises Controller in occupation. This risk includes the Barbican and the Guildhall School of Music and Drama (GSMD). At these sites there is a requirement to ensure an appropriate experience for audiences, performers, students and staff, to sustain their business models. The risk was discussed in depth at the organisation's Chief Officer Risk Management Group meeting on 14 August. It was agreed that having a single risk in relation to maintenance		8	31-Mar- 2024	

	and renewal' was correct for the organisation (as opposed to multiple related risks), and the scoring was also considered.		
04-Nov-2019 Paul Wilkinson	 Whilst funding remains the overriding mitigation, the City Surveyor is working to ensure that accountability and responsibilities for maintenance is understood across the organisation. Where gaps in expertise or capacity exist, the City Surveyor is looking to develop solutions with the Premises Controllers in line with his role as the Head of Profession. 18 Aug 2023 	Reduce	Constant

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CR37a	Cyclical Works Programme (CWP)	 The Cyclical Works Programme (CWP) is the principal way that the backlog of asset maintenance is delivered to Corporate properties (excluding ring-fenced assets). A paper was presented to Operational Property and Projects Sub Committee (OPPS) in April 2023, and subsequently to Resource Allocation Sub Committee (RASC) in June. This identified a funding requirement of circa £133m. This funding would address the repair backlog over a three-year period (including currently outstanding works plus those due over this time horizon). Colleagues in Chamberlain's Department are exploring funding options for this quantum of works, and the City Surveyor is supporting this work by providing data/intelligence on the works required. 	Peter Collinson; Sonia Virdee; Paul Wilkinson	18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
CR37b	Ring fenced properties and budgets (CoLP estate, New Spitalfields, Billingsgate and the three private schools	The City Surveyor's Department (CSD) is communicating with ring fenced departments to identify appropriate building maintenance requirements and spend (forward maintenance). These departmental occupiers allocate their own funds for the maintenance of the built assets. Whilst CSD recommends work to be undertaken, it is the occupying department who holds the	Peter	18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024

		 budget responsibility and thus decides with final control over maintenance activity. This element is being mitigated through the delivery of the recommendations arising from the recent Internal Audit. Whilst there has been progress in some areas, the actions have not been implemented comprehensively across the Corporation. A follow-up review of the Audit Recommendations has been scheduled for autumn 2023 and the department will be supporting this activity. CSD continues to review risks held by departments across the organisation to ensure that this overarching corporate risk correctly captures the pressures felt by our various departments. 			
CR37f	Annual Major Capital Bids	 The City Surveyor's Department is progressing several capital projects, and these are essential to keep the operational estate including the Guildhall in a good standard. Significant works have been identified from the recent Smithfield Market Condition Survey and if not funded present a live Health and Safety risk for Markets. Some departments submit their own direct bids based upon advice from the City Surveyor. If more H&S works are required, this limits the scope for further improvement projects. There will be no capital bids for 2023/24 – however there will be a small emergency funding pot should any immediate H&S issue arise. The 2024/25 bids are being developed and will be submitted in line with the 06 September deadline. 	Peter Young	18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
CR37g	Operational Property Review	The City Corporation has recently commenced an Operational Property Review (OPR) to consider the future property requirements to deliver the organisations services. This will align with the Resource Priority Refresh programme. The review is commencing and further details as to milestones and objectives will be available shortly. Rationalisation of the organisation's property estate will help alleviate pressure on maintenance budgets. However, it should be highlighted that rationalisation will only be able to make a small contribution to the overall position.	Peter Young	18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
CR37h	Renewal Programmes	The Barbican Centre renewal project is a £50-£150m project which will repair the building to it can function long into the future, opening up under-utilised space, improving accessibility, whilst delivering against its sustainability aspirations. Public survey and workshops were completed in December 2022 with further public consultations scheduled for 2023 in advance of an initial business case being submitted to the City Corporation. The Guildhall School of Music and Drama (GSMD) are working closely with corporate colleagues to develop and further the Barbican Renewal Team. Further, it is working with the Department of Community and Children's Service in respect of waterproofing works, and the City Surveyor on Fire Safety. GSMD have also engaged space consultants who are	Claire Spencer; Jonathan Vaughan; Peter Young	18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024

	dertaking a wide-ranging review of the site. This is with the view that current and future eeds are detailed, and future funding bids align with this requirement. The Guildhall Renewal programme has recently been presented to Members. However, this ogramme is at an early stage, so will not offer immediate mitigations to this risk.		
CR37i	The new Integrated Facilities Management (IFM) contract commenced in April 2023, and this has added resilience to maintenance and repair functions. This benefit is particularly apparent at the Barbican Centre and the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.		 31-Mar- 2024

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Construction	Cause: Market conditions have led to input price inflation Event: Project and programme cost escalation Impact: Inability to delivery capital and revenue projects within budget	Impact	16	Material costs and labour availability are combining to raise costs. This item impacts property projects, our facilities management (FM) provision, reactive repairs and revenue works. Construction inflation is forecast to level out over the coming months, although not reduce. Existing contracts will continue to suffer from costs in excess of those initially anticipated at project commencement. Market conditions remain dynamic and will be kept under review. At this time it is felt appropriate that the risk score remain at its current level.	Impact	6	31-Mar- 2024	
14-Oct-2021	'			18 Aug 2023			Reduce	Constant
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SUR SMT 005a		The department is working with legal and procurement to identify different buying options, thereby managing the risk to the department / organisation. This exploration included a review of the prior Single Stage tender process (which had been preferred for medium range projects $\pm 2\text{m} - \pm 50\text{m}$). Following the review Two Stage contracts will be used more frequently. This is the current market norm for these projects. The change enables contractors to better transfer their risk and leaves the City with a degree of cost uncertainty, even post Gateway 5. Whilst this transfer is		31-Mar- 2024

		not desired, it offers far better market coverage and reflects the prevailing external conditions. This will be kept under review.			
SUR SMT 005d		Chamberlain's procurement and the department have explored the inclusion of fluctuating Ola or contracts. This action has resulted in attracting a greater number of ontractors to bid on projects, however the inflation risk has been transferred to the reganisation. The value of this approach will be continually reviewed.		18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 005e	Contract Engagement		Ola Obadara	18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 005f		Ensuring materials are readily available before and during the design phase and, if possible, procure in advance of the contract. Further consideration is being given to the origin of source naterials to ensure supply.		18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024

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SUR SMT 006 Construction Consultancy Management	Cause: Poor performance by consultants Event: Abortive work, delays, or non-performance. Impact: Additional costs, project delays	Impact	16	This relates to abortive design / development. The department continues to suffer the impacts of this risk, with action being taken against consultants when their performance does not meet expectations. Aligned with other departmental risks, the department is stretched for resource. This had led to fewer leads being responsible for a greater number of projects. This reduces scrutiny capacity and can increase the likelihood of errors. There is a link to our internal recruitment and retention risk (SUR SMT 009) as property professionals across the industry are moving companies at a greater rate. This means that the delivery lead often changes throughout the life of the project, and replacements are often not at the same quality as those engaged at earlier stages.	Impact	4	31-Mar- 2024	
14-Oct-2021 Ola Obadara				18 Aug 2023			Reduce	Constant

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SUR SMT 006a	Commissioning stage	The department has commenced going to market at RIBA stage 3 rather than RIBA stage 4. This is designed to prevent abortive design and development. This change followed close work with the procurement team in Chamberlain's. The impact of this change will be tracked over the coming months.	Ola Obadara	18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 006b	Legal	The team is working closely with the legal department to ensure that procurement activity aligns with project objectives and the consultants meet quality requirements. Where performance has been poor action has been taken against consultants – these cases increase end-to-end timescales.		18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 006c	Procurement	Working with Procurement to increasing due diligence, particularly in regard to the quality of O contractor appointed (rebalancing the quality/cost equation). This is with the view that we will O get better quality applications and this risk may reduce.		18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 006d	Scope of works	The team is reviewing and tightening up the scope of works specification. This will counter opportunistic interpretations of the scope of works that we were seeing from some consultants.	Ola Obadara	18-Aug- 2023	30-Sep- 2023
SUR SMT 006e	Review of appointment documents	The City Surveyor's Department is seeking funding to undertake a review of some of the appointment documentation. This will be with the view that action could be taken where equired, and any lessons can be applied to future appointment.		24-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024

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SUR SMT 009 Recruitment and retention of property professional	Cause: Uncompetitive pay and benefits structures within some professional grades; poor quality work environments; lack of professional progression over recruitment freeze and restructuring period; increased employee focus on work-life balance Event : Increasingly difficult to recruit suitably skilled staff at the correct level for the grade being recruited for. Increasingly difficulty to keep staff who get better reward packages from other organisation (both commercial and public sector) Impact: Increased vacancies, objectives unachieved or delivered late (including project delivery and income generation), reduced customer satisfaction, less real estate activity, reduced employee wellbeing, demotivation of staff. Increased costs born by the organisation though recruitment campaigns and training etc, or to the department through filling vacancies through comparatively expensive temporary contracts.	Inpact 16	 This risk has been identified within a number of divisions within the City Surveyor's Department. The impacts vary by Group with the risk being particularly acute in Investment Property, Surveying and Project Management. This is aligned to pressures faced in other City departments, and CSD is engaging with corporate colleagues to ensure that the particular pressures felt within this department are understood broadly. This is reflected within the 8 themes identified and communicated by Corporate HR. The City's pay and reward review has recently commenced (January 2023) and the external consultancy Korn Ferry will be assisting in this analysis. The department has also fed back into the Target Operating Model (TOM) report, being authored by Town Clerk's Department. The TOM programme has been seen by many staff as challenging, and ideally lessons can be learned for future change programmes, both in CSD and outside. The City Surveyor has scheduled meetings. The City's revised workplace posture (minimum 2 days in-the-office working) is being seen as a positive by staff and assists in the retention of 		31-Mar- 2023	

21-Jan-2022	staff who may otherwise leave for greater reward packages at competitor organisations. This assessment is supported by CIPFA analysis which highlights that 50% of local authorities have moved to remote working, and 68% of employees go into the office for meetings or for 1-2 days. Whilst these activities are being pursued corporately, the department continues to ensure that it does everything it can do internally to mitigate this risk. 24 Aug 2023		Reduce	Constant

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SUR SMT 009a	Advertising	The department and the HR Business Partner has produced a recruitment best practice document, which includes ensuring that vacant posts are advertised in areas which will generate interest from suitably qualified candidates, including those currently under-represented within our workforce.	 02-Jun- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 009b	Best Practice	Including delivery of appraisals, regular one-to-ones, team and group meetings. This aims to improve communications at all levels, ensuring that CSD is a positive work environment and that issues/blockers can be raised and addressed. In some areas career graded roles have been instituted, and deployment can be further explored. CSD is supporting the work of Corporate HR in moving towards all on-line appraisal documentation. This will enable greater tracking of compliance.	 02-Jun- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 009c	Communication	Quarterly meetings from the department's Chief Officer so all staff feel engaged with the activities of the department.	 02-Jun- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 009d	Engagement with HR	Some of the items highlighted as the 'causes' of this risk are outside the control of CSD, and engagement with our Corporate partners will be critical to overcoming these items. This departmental risk directly supports the Corporate Risk on "Recruitment and Retention"	24-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024

		(CR39). CR39 is subject to a "deep dive" from Audit and Risk Management Committee, and the City Surveyor's Department will review any outcomes from this consideration.			
SUR SMT 009e	Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion		Ola Obadara		31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 009f	Pay and Review Survey			. 0	31-Mar- 2024

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SUR SMT 002 Insufficient budget to meet user and asset demand at Guildhall 10-Feb-2015 Peter Young	Cause: Insufficient funding available for Major Works, Cyclical Works and Reactive Maintenance to manage the repair demands on the Guildhall Complex. Event: Insufficient asset funding. Impact: The standard of the Guildhall Complex will deteriorate, resulting in; poorer working environments leading to increased dissatisfaction and lower employee productivity and potential increase in breakdowns and reactive costs as the basic infrastructure of the Complex becomes beyond economic repair.	Impact		The principal mitigation actions are related to forecasting and monitoring the allocation of financial and human resources. The wider consideration of the Guildhall complex was the subject of a report to Operational Property and Projects Sub Committee (OPPSC) in January 2023, where a sum was agreed to outline a viable scheme. 18 Aug 2023	Impact	4	31-Mar- 2024 Reduce	Constant

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SUR SMT 002e	Guildhall	Options for the future of the North and West Wings to provide modern, fit-for-purpose accommodation for Members and Officers is now underway. The options report was presented to OPPSC in January 2023 and to Policy & Resources Subsequently. This agreed a further sum to develop a viable scheme. A follow up Gateway 2 report will be presented to Members in the autumn.	Wilkinson; Peter		31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 002f	Team.	Shadow budget now agreed. The business plans of both the Remembrance and the City Surveyor have highlighted the delivery of this activity as a priority for 2023-24.	Remembra ncer; John James; Peter Young	24-Aug- 2023	31-Oct- 2023
SUR SMT 002g		1 , 6 1		18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024

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SUR SMT 010 Insurance - Investment and Corporate Estates 26-May-2022	 Cause: Revaluation of the City Corporation's estates (Investment and Corporate) does not happen in a timescale compliant with insurance policy requirements or the terms of leases. Event: The City fails to meet the provision under its insurance policies that revaluations are undertaken by a RICS surveyor at least every five years (Investment and Corporate). The City is in breach of its legal obligations as a landlord under the terms of its leases to ensure that the full re-instatement value is insured. Impact: The insurance policy does not respond in full (Investment and Corporate). Potential legal action from commercial occupiers in the event of an incident for which there is not appropriate cover. 	Impact	12	This risk identifies the need of re- valuation of the City of London Estates – (Investment and Corporate) to ensure that the City reaches its legal obligations under its insurance policies. The last on-site valuations of the Investment Property Group estate and Corporate buildings (other than special sites) was undertaken in 2015. Funding has recently been identified and a budget is now in place. Instructions are being made to our contractors such that they can proceed with delivery. Once this is in train the risk score should start to reduce towards target. 24 August 2023	Impact	1	31-Mar- 2024 Reduce	Constant

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SUR SMT 010a	Register of data	A property schedule exists and this has been updated with the survey carried out on Special Sites (by RLF).	18-Aug- 2023	31-Dec - 2023
SUR SMT 010b			0	31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 010c		The delivery of this activity will be done by an external party, and the tender is scheduled to be published June/July period. The department is currently working with Procurement to ensure the optimal route to market.	0	31-Mar- 2024

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SUR SMT 011 Contractor Failure 13-Feb-2023 Ola Obadara	Cause: Market conditions Event: Failure of either a main contractor, or a substantial sub contractor Impact: Delayed delivery of projects, or the delivery of projects at a higher cost	Impact		This risk relates to the failure of a main contractor, or a main sub contractor. Particularly with the second of these element the City Corporation does not have significant influence over who is commissioned to undertake work. 18 August 2023	Impact	4	Avoid	Constant

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SUR SMT 011a		1 0		31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 011b		The department is instituting six-monthly reviews of contractor suitability. Historically this only happened at contract commencement. This will better prepare the organisation should the contractor (or significant sub-contractor) begin to experience difficulty.		31-Mar- 2024

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Energy Pricing	Cause: Rapid increases in the market cost of energy Event: Increasing price born by the City of London Corporation Impact: Money directed to energy payments that could be used in other endeavours	Impact		This risk scoring associated with this risk has reduced due to two factors: The Power Purchase Agreement (solar farm in Dorset) provides circa 50% of the organisation's energy requirements at a significant discount to the market. Note that the impact will be seasonal. Broader energy market prices have fallen back since the heights seen in 2022. However, these prices remain higher than those seen prior to the invasion of the Ukraine. The risk scoring was again reviewed in August – it was felt that due to on- going volatility this risk has been kept at the same risk score. 24 Aug 2023	Impact	3	31-Mar- 2024 Reduce	Constant

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SUR SMT 007a	Managing cost management			0	31-Mar- 2024
		Power Purchase Agreement in operation, supporting with significant electricity price alleviation. Government Support over winter 2022 via Energy Bill Discount Scheme (EBDS) also mitigated cost impact during this period. Forward prices have softened, but higher than normal prices will persist through 2023. Hedging strategy is in place to manage market risks.	Low		

SUR SMT 007	Managing supplier failure	The City is contracted with TGP energy, which is a large multi-national with risk divested	Peter	24-Aug-	31-Mar-
		across both supply and generation. TGP has a low portion of income generated from UK	Collinson;	2023	2024
		domestic customers (thereby minimising price capping implications). Since market spikes have	Graeme		
		subsided from the 2022/23 highs, subsequent risk of supplier failure ha also fallen.	Low		

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SUR SMT 012 Adjudication & Disputes	Cause: The impact of COVID-19 on project delivery. Event: Regulations restricted access to sites and resulted in more design work being undertaken remotely. Productivity at sites was adversely impacted. Impact: Increased likelihood that projects were designed correctly, and resulting legal and adjudication issues, reputational harm.	Impact	8	The COVID-19 pandemic resulted in 3 years of impact at project sites. Site productivity was limited (circa 60% productivity) and much design work was undertaken remotely, or with limited site access. This has created a situation where some sites were not designed correctly, or there are issues beyond that which would normally be expected on construction builds. We are now in a situation where we are engaged with legal discussions and adjudications with project suppliers in an effort to iron out issues with final products. The department's risk register has a separate risk relating to 'construction price inflation'. The inflation risk is wider as it also captures cost escalations due to other causes (Ukraine, energy, etc). This risk only focusses on adjudication & disputes.	Impact	4	31-Mar- 2024	
31-Aug-2023				31 Aug 2023				Constant

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SUR SMT 012a]		 31-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024

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SUR SMT 008 Special Structures 20-Oct-2021 Peter Young	Cause: Lack of central register for special structures and/or ambiguity over accountability, responsibility for budget provision Event: Incomplete, or not up-to-date register of special structures and planned maintenance regime Impact: Potential failure of special structure and/or forced closure of asset / space	Impact	6	Special structures relate to those structural elements with an asset which supports other (often public) elements, so captures basements, sub- road spaces, supporting structures etc. There is no current central register of these structures within the portfolio, and therefore no current prescribed or routine inspection regime in place to ensure that these structures remain in a suitable condition. 18 Aug 2023	Impact	2	31-Mar- 2024 Reduce	Constant

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SUR SMT 008a					31-Mar- 2024
		The initial desktop survey will develop a list of structures which require more detailed assessment, and structural inspections are programmed to follow.			
		The survey process is also developing survey programme for Special Structures (some assets will require more frequent assessment). This information will be captured on the Computer Aided Facilities Management (CAFM) software.			
SUR SMT 008b	Special structures – investment portfolio		Robert Murphy	18-Aug- 2023	31-Mar- 2024
SUR SMT 008d	Special Structures – other assets	Corporate Property Director and Operations Group Director to engage with other departments	Peter	18-Aug-	31-Mar-

		1 5 5 1	Collinson; Peter Young	2023	2024
SUR SMT 008e	•	Should the inspection process (action SUR SMT 008a) identify assets which require additional works to bridge the gap between current and desired condition, further funding bid requests may result. Note that this action is subject to the availability of funding (CWP bid process, as outlined in action CR37a).			31-Mar- 2024