

Environment Department Key Risks (PH&ES Committee)

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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/Risk Approach	Current Risk score change indicator
ENV-PHPP 001 Brexit - Impact on Port Health and Animal Health	Cause: The outcome of Brexit negotiations does not secure continuity of contracts, access to talent, ongoing grant funding and/or security of supply chains. Event: The City Corporation services fail to prepare appropriately for the end of the Brexit transition period. Uncertainty around the potential outcomes until it is too late to react. Effect: There is a range of potential impacts. The City Corporation's services are disrupted due to increases/changes in trade and as supply chains and contracts are reassessed, potentially increasing cost and reprioritisation of resources. Increased risk to public, animal and environmental health due to legislative changes. Increased risk and cost to consumers. Inadequate IT support if current EU software is replaced by bespoke UK systems that do not have sufficient functionality. Reduction in income if charging regimes are not established as part of Brexit. Potential for increased workload depending on whether agreement is reached from 'no deal' (check everything), through to no checks on EU products based and on risk via a full reciprocal arrangement (status quo).	Impact	24	The phased border checks commenced on 31 January 2024 with the introduction of the need for importers to submit documentation. Phase Two began on 30 April 2024, meaning that documentary, physical and identity checks are required at the border for medium and low risk food and feed imports. The first six weeks of this new border control regime have shown that the projected throughput volumes are being realised. We have taken a pragmatic and practical approach to ensure a free-flowing border. The Service continues to develop its processes and includes additional staff to meet the new demands. The CoL has received Defra funding	Impact	31-Dec- 2024	

08-Nov-2016 Gavin Stedman		for Brexit readiness and Defra has confirmed funding until July 2024. 11 Jun 2024		Reduce	Constant

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ENV-PHPP 001c	impacts and possible mitigations. Ensure Remembrancer	Our previous stakeholder engagement actions have been completed. Although the BTOM has now been published, we are still waiting for further detail to enable us to plan future service provision. We will undertake further stakeholder engagement as appropriate.	Gavin Stedman		31-Dec- 2024
ENV-PHPP 001d	Respond promptly to policy decisions from the UK Government and the outcome of negotiations.	The Port Health Service will continue to respond to the government's stakeholder consultations on the implementation of the BTOM. A Port Health Brexit Readiness Project Team has been formed to ensure smooth and effective	Gavin Stedman		31-Dec- 2024
		preparations for the introduction of Phase Two on 30 April 2024 and beyond. A phased recruitment and onboarding plan is being implemented.			

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	Cause: A member of staff/contractor who is unfit or unqualified to drive causes Event: a road traffic collision which results in Effect: death or injury; financial claim.	Impact		 Work undertaken between Corporate Transport and HR has clarified the total number of staff currently working for the City and those who have not undertaken a driving assessment. Work with the IT has led to the development of a process to run regular reports in order to identify those individuals and their Chief Officers, who will subsequently be notified to ensure increased compliance. The current compliance rate across all departments is 78%. It is hoped that the new automated process will soon result in greater compliance and a reduction of the risk. 20 Jun 2024 	Impact	8	31-Oct- 2024 Reduce	Constant

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ENV-CO-GC 002c	Monitor the percentage of City of London staff who have completed Driver Check and ensure that it remains above 92.5%. Monitor the percentage of City of London staff who have been identified, through Driver Check, as drivers (or managers of drivers) who have completed the Corporate Transport Policy online training course and ensure that it	Work undertaken between Corporate Transport and HR has clarified total number of staff currently working for the City and those who have not undertaken a driving assessment. Work with IT has led to the development of a process to run regular reports in order to identify those individuals and their Chief Officers, who will subsequently be notified to ensure increased compliance. Current compliance across all departments is 78%.	 	31-Oct- 2024

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vehicle details).		

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006 A major incident, such as flooding or fire, makes	Cause: A major incident, such as flooding or fire. Event: Walbrook Wharf unusable as a depot. Effect: Unable to clean streets, collect waste or maintain City of London Police vehicles. City of London unable to meet its contractual arrangements with third parties who use the depot for their commercial purposes.	Impact	8	A robust Business Continuity Plan is in place and was discussed at the Quarterly Partnership Board meeting in January 2024. The next Business Continuity Exercise is being planned for September 2024, following which, we will review the outcomes and appropriate actions will be undertaken. The Business Impact Assessment is also undergoing detailed review. This risk has also been identified as a longer-term risk linked to Climate Change and is being addressed as part of the Climate Adaptation Action Plan. We continue to undertake a range of actions to control the likelihood and impact of the risk, and keep it under review, but are unable to reduce the score any further at present. 20 Jun 2024	Impact	8	Accept	Constant

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ENV-CO-GC 006a		The Business Continuity Plan was discussed at the Quarterly Partnership board meeting in January 2024 and the next Business Continuity Exercise is being planned for September 2024. Following that exercise, we will review the outcomes and appropriate actions will be		30-Sep- 2024

		undertaken.			
ENV-CO-GC 006b	Maintain fire prevention / fire safety procedures.	The City Surveyor's Department has updated Mechanical and Engineering (M&E) provision at Walbrook Wharf, including new fire walls, smoke cameras and sprinklers within the depot and around the electric vehicles and vehicle charging areas. Systems are checked and tested on a regular basis. This is an ongoing action.		20-Jun- 2024	30-Sep- 2024
ENV-CO-GC 006c	Reduce the impact of potential flooding.	 Mitigations have been put in place for weak flood defence areas due to the close proximity of the river, but the risk of flooding remains. To prevent flood water ingress, an old roof is being renewed and the Climate Action Team is funding sensors for gullies. For our contractors, we have a Business Continuity Plan to enable them to operate from another department. 	Vince Dignam	20-Jun- 2024	30-Sep- 2024

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CR21 Air Quality 07-Oct-2015 Bob Roberts	Cause: Levels of air pollution in the City, specifically nitrogen dioxide and fine particles, impact on the health of residents, workers and visitors. The City Corporation has a statutory duty to take action to improve local air quality. Event: The City of London Corporation is insufficiently proactive and resourced, and does not have the right level of competent staff, to be able to fulfil statutory obligations, as a minimum, in order to lower levels of air pollution and reduce the impact of existing air pollution on the health of residents, workers and visitors. Effect: The City Corporation does not fulfil statutory obligations and air pollution remains a problem, impacting on health. Potential for legal action against the Corporation for failure to deliver obligations and protect health. Adverse effect on ability to deliver outcomes 2 and 11 of the Corporate Plan	Impact	3	Air quality data collected in 2023 demonstrated that levels of particulate air pollution PM10 and PM2.5 both met the health based standards during the year. Nitrogen dioxide was measured at 86 locations, just 4 of these breached the required standard. A new Air Quality Strategy for 2025 to 2030 was approved for consultation, the aims are to go beyond statutory obligations and work towards air quality that complies with World Health Organisation Air Quality Guidelines 10 Jun 2024	Impact	2	31-Dec- 2026 Reduce	Decreasin g

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CR21 001i	100% of vehicles owned or leased by the CoL are electric or hybrid by 2025	The City Corporation currently has 40 fully electric and hybrid vehicles.	Ruth Calderwoo d		31-Dec- 2025
CR21 001m	Obtain approval for a new Air Quality Strategy 2025-30.	A draft new Air Quality Strategy 2025-30 has been approved for consultation by the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee. The Strategy has now been published for consultation until 26 July 2024.	Ruth Calderwoo d	14-Jun- 2024	30-Sep- 2024