

## City of London Corporation Committee Report

<b>Committee(s):</b> Finance Committee – For information	<b>Dated:</b> 10 December 2024
<b>Subject:</b> Chamberlain’s Departmental Risk Management Update	<b>Public report:</b> For Information
<b>This proposal:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>delivers Corporate Plan 2024-29 outcomes</b></li><li>• <b>provides statutory duties</b></li></ul>	Providing Excellent Services Flourishing Public Spaces
<b>Does this proposal require extra revenue and/or capital spending?</b>	No
<b>If so, how much?</b>	£0
<b>What is the source of Funding?</b>	n/a
<b>Has this Funding Source been agreed with the Chamberlain’s Department?</b>	n/a
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### Summary

This report has been produced to provide the Finance Committee with an update on the risks the Chamberlain’s department faces.

There is currently one RED risk on the Corporate Risk Register within the responsibility of the Chamberlain and one RED risk on the Chamberlain’s departmental risk register. The Chamberlain’s Senior Leadership Team and divisional management teams within the department regularly review and update the risk register, potential risks and opportunities.

### Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to:

- Note the report.

### Main Report

#### Background

1. The Risk Management Framework of the City of London Corporation requires each Chief Officer to report regularly to the Committee the key risks faced in their department. The Finance Committee has determined that it will receive the Chamberlain’s Risk Register at each meeting.

2. The Digital Information Technology Service (DITS) as a part of the Chamberlain's Department risks are reported to the Digital Services Committee for oversight.

### **Current Position**

#### Corporate Risk – RED

3. Department currently has one financial RED Corporate Risk, all risks are regularly reviewed and several mitigating measures are in place to prevent the realisation of these risks or future risks.
4. **CR38 Unsustainable Medium-Term Finances – City's Estate** Although the Court of Common Council decision on Smithfield and Billingsgate markets significantly changes the financial outlook, we await legal agreements before ramifications can be worked through. The risk therefore remains with a risk score of RED 16, with a reducing level of risk. The next draft of the Medium Term Financial plan is currently being drafted in preparation for presentation to this committee in the new year. This exercise will provide clarity on the impact and effectiveness of the in-place mitigations.
5. In December, the Chamberlain's and Surveyor's teams will meet for a dedicated Capital Financing workshop to establish a shared understanding of the funding demands and profiling for longer term (10 years), establish financing options and formally establish the project team.

#### Departmental Risks – RED

6. **CHB002 Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Finances** has a risk score of RED 16. A draft five-year financial projection has been prepared and is currently being tested and refined for committee approval in January 2025. The draft projections indicate a finely balanced position but notable vulnerability retaining the risk score at red due to potential revenue overspends and the impacts of further delays to new build projects.

### **Conclusion**

7. Members are asked to note the actions taken by Chamberlain's Department to manage all risks. Actions aim to continue monitoring and reducing the risk level and will be reported on at future Finance Committees.

### **Appendices**

- Appendix 1 – Departmental Risk Register

### **Background Papers**

Chamberlain's Departmental Risk Management Update Reports

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