Neighbourhoods and Housing Risks January 2021

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Risk Title	Description of Risk	Directorate	Current Risk Matrix	Risk - Latest	Note
NH 001 Customers Services Satisfaction INTERNAL RISK FUTURE RISK	Failure to deliver good customer service either through poor performance by staff or as ageing assets, facilities or infrastructure deteriorates. This will impact negatively on service delivery and the overall satisfaction of stakeholders. Possible consequences could be Reputational damage Negligence and liability claims Increase in number of complaints Poor service performance against KPI measures Deterioration in staff morale Increase in compensation claims from dissatisfied customers Litigation Failure to met our statutory responsibilities	Neighbourhoods & Housing	poo _{ll} ay ₁	December 20 register	20 - New risk added to
Control Title	Control Description	Responsible	Service	Due Date	Control - Latest Note
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NH 001a Maintaining assets	Service Managers actively maintain assets and ensure that maintenance of buildings and infrastructure is undertaken through • Asset management plans • Capital investment plans and new facility provision being progressed • Regular monitoring of the buildings and sites (including sonic testing of the play equipment)	Ajman Ali	Directors	31 Mar- 2021	December 2020 - new risk and control added

	 Planned preventative maintenance programme which informs the Councils capital strategy Regular maintenance undertaken by partners / contractors per contract obligations Proactive / planned approach to Planned Preventative Maintenance in partnership with Property Management colleagues. 				
NH 001b Staff performance	Robust Performance management framework in place to monitor service performance. Services are managed as part of the Council's performance management framework through the Directorate Leadership Team, divisional and operational management teams and supervision. There is a regular reporting framework on Pentana to highlight areas of underperformance with follow up management action taken as required. There are also a range of Quality Assurance systems in place to ensure service standards are monitored and maintained. Relevant policies and procedures include: Customer Management Framework Regular reviews of performance data Robust systems in place to manage performance in gas servicing & complaints Monthly Service Improvement Groups Robust Challenge of under performance & staff Use of Housemark and other benchmarking clubs Regular check ins -this will be measured in the employee survey Materials and installations are specified to meet relevant standards Monitoring of workmanship by DLO and contractors Procedures in place & regular audits carried out with trails in place Customer satisfaction surveys in place	Ajman Ali	Directors	31 Mar- 2021	December 2020 - new risk and control added

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NH 002 Climate Change Emergency EXTERNAL RISK		Neighbourhoo ds & Housing	ž linii i	December 2020 - The Mayor's climate emergency declaration occurred in February 2019, and Hackney councillors subsequently

CURRENT & FUTURE RISK	more difficult. Failure to achieve positive change would have reputational impacts but most importantly would contribute negatively to the continued emergency in climate matters, both within our local community and the world at large.			approved a motion to do 'everything within the Council's power' to deliver net zero emissions across its functions by 2040, ten years earlier than the target set by the Government, and in line with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's higher confidence threshold for limiting global warming to 1.5C above pre-industrial revolution average. The recent creation of Hackney Light and Power is another step towards fulfilling these targets by committing to providing renewable energy. Ambitious initiatives have been ongoing with regards to making streets more cycle friendly and dissuade people from driving unnecessarily.		
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NH 002a Councillors have approved motion committing to a series of actions	 Council commitment: To tell the truth about the climate emergency we face, and pursue its declaration of a climate emergency with the utmost seriousness and urgency. Pledge to do everything within the Council's power to deliver against the stretching targets set by the IPCC'S October 2018 1.50C Report, across the local authority's full range of functions, including a 45% reduction in emissions against 2010 levels by 2030 and net zero emissions by 2040, and seeking opportunities to make a greater contribution. Call on the UK Government to provide powers and resources to make the 2030 and 2040 targets possible. Actively campaign to change national policy where failure to tackle the challenge of heating our homes without fossil fuels, fossil fuel subsidies, insufficient carbon taxation, road-building, and airports expansion, for example, has actively undermined decarbonisation and promoted unsustainable growth. Support the campaign to create a just transition for workers and users and be part of the creation nationally of a million public sector climate jobs with particular reference to extending sustainable accessible and integrated public transport, retrofitting housing stock, energy democracy, heating and cooling from renewable energy and eco build, food and waste. 	Ajman Ali	Aled Richards	31 Mar- 2021	December 2020 - these are ongoing commitments but essential to adhere to in order to comply with ambitious targets. The Council resolved to follow this and these actions are being strongly supported by Members.	

	 Involve, support and enable residents, businesses and community groups to accelerate the shift to a zero carbon world, working closely with them to establish and implement successful policies, approaches and technologies that reduce emissions across our economy while also improving the health and wellbeing of our citizens. Produce an annual update to Full Council on the progress made against the Council's decarbonisation commitments, and conduct an annual Citizens Assembly comprised of a representative group of local residents to allow for effective public scrutiny of the Council's 			
	 progress and to explore solutions to the challenges posed by global warming. Work with other local governments (both within the UK and internationally) to determine and implement best practice methods to limit Global Warming to less 			
NH 002b Hackney Light and Power	Hackney Light and Power will support the Council to meet declared target and become a zero-net carbon borough by 2040. To maximise carbon emission reduction the company will: deliver the Green Homes Program – the first borough wide thermal efficiency housing program in London support the installation of innovating renewable heating measure support the rolling out of electric vehicle charging points	Ajman Ali	31 Mar- 2021	December 2020 - Hackney Light and Power was officially unveiled as a publicly-owned energy services company on November 1st (2019). "We have already delivered 50% renewable electricity for the Council and many local schools' needs on 1 April, and will switch to 100% in 2020; we're establishing a publicly-owned clean energy company that will turn Hackney into a renewables power station; we are rapidly decarbonising the Council fleet of vehicles and addressing land transport sector emissions; we're decarbonising the built environment through changes to the planning system; we're investing extensively in green infrastructure to derive a wide variety of environmental benefits, from cooler streets to enhanced biodiversity; we're creating a model for drastically limiting the use of petrochemical plastics; and we're investing heavily in our waste service to reduce resource

					consumption and increase recycling. "
NH 002c Communication Strategy	Communication is key, with the Council getting the correct message out both internally and externally	Ajman Ali	Aled Richards/ Polly Cziok	Ongoing	December 2020 - There has already been lots of coverage in local papers and online about Hackney's progress.
NH 002d Cross Council involvement at all levels	Across all Divisions / services, any service plans or overall strategic documents need to pick up on this ongoing challenge and commitment. Any new projects / directives / initiatives need to consider climate change and our approach to it, in determining how to carry out work. Evidence of this happened can be seen within the Fleet services and the ongoing work with the NLWA.	Needs to be cascaded down from HMT to become normal practice.	All Directors	Ongoing	December 2020 - This will become embedded as part of standard processes in the future. The Environmental Sustainability Board is meeting regularly to support the Council's approach here.
NH 002e North London Waste Authority (NLWA) Partnership	Hackney is a part of a seven borough partnership with the NLWA, who are currently procuring a large infrastructure project (North London Heat & Power Project) to deliver new facilities to manage waste and recycling from the constituent boroughs. An experienced Programme Director has been appointed by NLWA. Also, lead Member and Key Officer Groups, continue to manage Hackney's engagement with NLWA on the development of new facilities, recycling performance, waste prevention and operations' matters. A Programme Committee made up of members of each of the boroughs has been established to focus on the implementation of the North London Heat & Power Project. This is a decision making Committee and is in addition to the various Steering Groups and Partnership Board which Lead Members and Key Officers attend. The Vice Chair of the NLWA is Hackney's current Cabinet Member for Finance and Housing Needs, which ensures the Borough are directly involved in the leadership of the partnership. NLWA, with the boroughs, is undertaking a piece of work to produce a best estimated long term levy tonnage forecast, to establish likely levy costs for boroughs. Officers will review the current recycling service to ensure that it provides the best solution on the basis of technical, economic, environmental and practical factors Our partners in NLWA, Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Hackney, Haringey, Islington and Waltham Forest) work together to deliver services for over two million residents that live in the NLWA area.	Aled Richards	Sam Kirk	Ongoing	December 2020 - new control added

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NH 003 Delivery of Capital Projects EXTERNAL and INTERNAL RISK FUTURE RISK	Major Capital Schemes, including the Major planned maintenance programmes may not be managed or targeted effectively to maximise use of resources available and ensure delivery according to expectations. This poses a risk to the successful completion of such schemes, incurring financial losses and dissatisfied stakeholders.	Neighbourhoods & Housing	Tikelihood mpact	and intensifyin maintenance a programmes in impact of the p	20 This risk is ongoing g in light of the housing nd other capital the directorate and the landemic and the delivery of the
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NH 003a Communications and Consultation Arrangements	Communications and Consultation managed in partnership with the Council's communications teams through Heads of Services and Directors. Communications and Consultation plans are discussed and considered in partnership with Lead Members on a regular basis.	Ajman Ali	All Directors	Ongoing	December 2020 -Control established and continuing.
NH 003b Programme Management and Governance	Robust programme management and governance procedures in place for major programmes which include consultation and engagement requirements. Project Sponsor to produce a communications plan for each key project and programme to ensure effective stakeholder engagement.	Ajman Ali	All Directors	Ongoing	December 2020 -Control established and continuing.
NH 003c Programme Management and Governance – Capital Projects	Robust programme management and governance procedures in place for key capital projects and programmes with project sponsorship at Director/Head of Service Level. Major schemes are managed via project boards to ensure reputational issues managed and project/programme outcomes delivered to required standard, on time and within budget	Ajman Ali	All Directors	Ongoing	December 2020 -Control established and continuing.
NH 003d Performance Management Framework	Robust Performance management framework in place to monitor service performance. Services are managed as part of the Council's performance management framework through the Directorate Leadership Team, divisional and operational management teams and supervision. There is a	Ajman Ali	All Directors	Ongoing	December 2020 -Control established and continuing.

NH 003e Improvements in Housing Property and Asset Management	regular reporting framework to highlight areas of underperformance with follow up management action taken as required. There are also a range of Quality Assurance systems in place to ensure service standards are monitored and maintained. Improvements to project management operations in Housing Services to Deliver Asset Management Strategy good business plan and procurement Move away from annual budget to medium term business plan agree service level/demand expectation manage demand/service, or re-prioritise service:	David Padfiled	Sinead Burke	Ongoing	December 2020 -Control established and continuing.
NH 003e Establishment of Housing Capital Monitoring Board	 Housing Capital Monitoring Board has been established to: maintain an overview of the Asset Management Plan element of the Housing Capital Programme approved by Cabinet; make decisions on the progression of Housing Capital schemes using the Gateway process. approve Sectional Commencement Agreements (SCA) with the Council's contractors, ensure that each capital scheme has a robust communications plan linked to each Gateway point to ensure residents are consulted and engaged in capital investment in their homes, monitor delivery against the programme, and make decisions on the reprioritisation of capital resources within the capital limits approved by Cabinet as part of the annual budgeting process. The Board is responsible for ensuring that the schemes undertaken through the Housing Capital programme have a communications plan that joins up with other initiatives and projects affecting a locality so that communications with residents on estates where works are taking place are holistic. This board approves all Sectional Commencement Agreements (SCA) for issue to contractors. A checklist is presented on each project which outlines how pre-contract procedures have been completed. A full list of all SCAs (issued and in development) is now available. 	Ajman Ali	Sinead Burke	Ongoing	December 2020 -Control established and continuing.

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NH 004 Budget pressures / insufficient budgets to deliver our service plan EXTERNAL RISK FUTURE RISK	Due to the financial challenges facing the Council and the expectations of our residents the directorate is unable to deliver services within the budget available. This is especially critical where services are dependent on income streams such as, housing rents, parking income, planning application income. This then results in a budget overspend or an unacceptable call on reserves. The Coronavirus pandemic has significantly impacted income collections in the directorate with income streams reducing and services still to be delivered.	Neighbourhood s & Housing	Tikelihood Impact	December 2020 - The financial challenge for the Council and directorate continues. The pandemic looks set to create impacts not just in short term budget setting, but over years to come. The damaged income streams may not recover for some time. The main risk for the directorate I is that this results in a greater loss to funding than anticipated which may have a severe impact on overall service delivery and strategic objectives of the directorate	
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NH 004a Service and Financial Planning	Service planning is linked to the Corporate Planning Process and aligned to corporate objectives and budget planning cycle - over the medium term. Senior financial managers ensure they are well informed on changes which have key financial implications.	Ajman Ali	All Directors	31 Mar- 2021	New risk and control added
NH 004b Housing Revenue Account Business Plan	The Housing Revenue Account Business Plan is reviewed and maintained to accurately reflect best estimates of future income and expenditure levels. Financial planning for the Housing Revenue Account will be constantly diligent and reflect the changing circumstances of resources, day to day expenditure, investments needs and changing legislation.	Deirdre Worrell	Simon Theobald	31 Mar- 2021	New risk and control added
NH 004c Savings Strategy and Budget Development	Savings proposals are developed and agreed with members in order to support the delivery of the Council's budget strategy. Financial updates on the Council's medium term financial plan are considered by the Directorate Leadership Team throughout the year and the directorate budget strategy is developed to support the Council's need for savings. In addition the	Ajman Ali	Deirdre Worrell	Ongoing	New risk and control added

	directorate reviews the directorate capital plans to inform the Council's Capital Strategy.				
NH 004d Budget Monitoring	The Directorate Leadership Team receives budget monitoring reports on a monthly basis which highlights areas of overspend, non delivery of savings plans and use of reserves. Action Plans are put in place where services are overspending budgets.	Ajman Ali	Deirdre Worrell	Ongoing	New risk and control added
NH 004e Performance Monitoring and financial framework	Provision of services is subject to constant monitoring and review using the budget and performance framework to ensure that the most efficient methods of service delivery are employed. Monthly review of budgets, expenditure, income and activity data and forecasting - Identify issues, risks and opportunities and take appropriate action and inform monthly reporting to DLT.	DLT	Directors/ Simon Theobald	Ongoing	New risk and control added
NH 004f Budget responsibility	Managers assigned to each budgetary service area – Budget setting facilitated, costs and expenditure controlled. Continue with Finance for Non Financial Managers Training.	Deirdre Worrell	Simon theobald	Ongoing	New risk and control added

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NH 005 Impact of New Legislation EXTERNAL RISK FUTURE RISK	Changes in law (or legal challenges) resulting in increased capital and revenue costs beyond current financial planning. Examples of these changes in law could include the removal of local planning decision making or legal challenges against the implementation of parking zones. These would all be likely to result in a financial cost pressure or the Council. The directorate may not be able to respond effectively to new legislation and updated policies, thus risking the efficiency and effectiveness of service provision. In addition if requirements of any new legislation are not met this could impact the Council's reputation. , there would be an adverse impact on the Council's legal and reputational standing. Further effects of new legislation could be financial, legislative (with a failure to understand the breadth of responsibility) and reputational, directly affecting the local community.	Neighbourhood s & Housing	Impact	December 2020 -The Housing and Planning Act 2016 are all examples of recent legislation having a significant impact on the demands to the services of the directorate. Regarding the Housing and Planning Act (2016), the HRA debt cap has now been lifted, the forced sale of council houses removed, and 1% rent reduction has ended, though this is still impacting housing services. The lifting of the debt cap coupled with the Government rent policy up to 2025 will give increased flexibility for investing in new homes. However, there are pressures on new housing delivery and the investment in existing stock arising from changes to Building Control, fire

				safety, and the emissions.	need to reduce carbon
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NH 005a Impact of New Legislation	Directors and Heads of Services continue to monitor and respond to consultations regarding their service areas delivery and other innovations to ensure that they are fully aware of new and changed initiatives and can react accordingly. All managers keep up to date with external developments which may impact on their work. Careful project and programme management is undertaken to deal with any serious reforms and their implementation	Directorate Leadership Team	Directors and Heads of Service	31 Mar- 2021	Updated December 2020
NH 005b New Policies affecting Housing	Detailed analysis is being carried out regarding the likely impact of new policies, both internally and with other boroughs and representative organisations. Individually and with other boroughs, the Council continues to respond to policies in order to mitigate the adverse effects of these policies. Once the detailed Statutory Instruments have been published, the likely impacts of the various policies can be more accurately be assessed and work can continue on preparations to implement the measures in a way that best mitigates the impacts on the Council and residents. The Building Safety Bill (issued 20/7/20) and new energy regulations will both constitute new legislation to get to grips with. The current HRA savings plan delivers a fully resourced HRA and keeps HRA borrowing at a sustainable level now that the HRA debt cap has been removed. The HRA business plan is monitored annually as part of the budget setting process, taking into account arising cost pressures, changes in government policy and legislation, and any service changes.	David Padfield	Heads of Service	31 Mar- 2021	Updated December 2020
NH 005c New policies affecting public realm services	The management team in Public Realm divisions are taking the following action to respond to changes in legislation affecting service delivery Planning for Brexit Risk sharing the impact with contractors	Aled Richards	Heads of Service	30 Jun 2021	Updated December 2020

 Implementation of a Staff Development & Retention Strategy to enable staff resource in place to ensure performance of Planning Service continues to exceed statutory levels of plan and decision making. Ensuring that the Parking Enforcement Plan is up to date on how Parking Zones are implemented. Ensuring that the relevant legislation is adhered to. Carrying out a full Equality Impact Assessments for areas where a parking zone is being introduced. Ensure that we remain abreast of any new legislation or policies introduced by Central Government. 	e	
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NH 006 Response to Civil Emergencies INTERNAL RISK FUTURE RISK TI	orovide sufficient help and support to residents.	Neighbourho ods & Housing	mpact	December 2020 -New Risk added to register

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NH 006a Effective Plans in place	Emergency Planning have highly sophisticated plans to deal with events of this nature, and annual exercises to ensure officers are equipped to deal with such situations. Regular communication with Thames Water to ensure any news / works are fully notified. Business Continuity Plans reviewed and updated Business Continuity Insurance (events) Corporate Business Continuity Plans (for park events to link into) Event Management Plans Emergency Actions Plans Regular engagement with emergency services	Aled Richards	Andy Wells	31 Mar- 2021	December 2020: Plans have been rigorously tested throughout the crises of this year and have been found to be robust and effective.
NH 006b Sufficiently Trained Loggists	Need to ensure that there are sufficient appropriate and trained persons in place who can perform the role of Gold Decision loggist during an emergency. Very few executive support officers have taken up the opportunity to be trained and act in the role, in addition those who are trained are operationally minded and not necessarily in tune with how strategic operators behave and think. From the community risk register and national risk register, we are likely to have a need to use Gold decision loggists within the next 5 years. A lack of sufficient and trained decision loggists will leave strategic decision makers exposed during an incident. Key details may not be recorded to the correct legal standard and leave the decision maker and organisation at risk.	Aled Richards	Andy Wells	31 Mar- 2021	December 2020 - A number of recruitment campaigns have taken place but failed to recruit sufficient numbers. We have been unable so far to add the requirement onto executive support officer / assistant Job Descriptions. These recruitment campaigns continue.
NH 006c Corporate Resilience Forum	A Corporate Resilience Forum (CRF) has been established and will take overall strategic lead reporting to HMT. It is supported by the emergency planning team. The CRF oversees the development of all systems and processes for Emergency Planning, Business Continuity Pandemic Planning and Resilience within Hackney Council. 1:2 This group will also ensure that appropriate links are made to other stakeholders in relation to Emergency Planning and Resilience such as NHS, LFB, MPS, EA AND VCS.	Rob MIller/	Cross Council	Ongoing	December 2020 - CRF meeting regularly and supporting the response to crises facing the organisation.
NH006d Review of Business Continuity Plans	The Corporate Business Continuity Manager is supporting service managers across the Council in carrying out a review of their Business Continuity Plans. This is designed to identify critical services and their	Rob Miller	James Groom	01-Dec-2020	December 2020: The Council's business continuity arrangements are kept under

continuity requirements, and will help ensure that their plans are based on accurate expectations of the provision available. It is planned to implement a rolling 18 month schedule of review for all the council's BCPs. This will be in place following the current review of BCPs across all services, which has pretty much been completed within the last six months.	the C whic	ular review and reported to Corporate Resilience Forum ch meets quarterly.
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NH 007 Staff Retention and Recruitment INTERNAL RISK FUTURE RISK	Services across the directorate struggle to effectively and successfully recruit for certain positions, leading to a negative impact on service delivery. Also, with the directorate needing an increasingly agile workforce (not constrained by traditional customs and practises), it may struggle to compete with other organisations to get the best candidates. The directorate may struggle to retain good staff and experiences high attrition rate, a demotivated workforce and an increase in sickness levels	Neighbourhoods & Housing	poor lips 41 Impact	market for skil experienced di range of roles services and pl improvements Surveyors and Enforcement O impact serious develop and m delivery due to recruitment an also worries at impact on EU v	such as Quantity Highway Engineers and fficers. This could ly on the ability to aintain effective service difficulties with d retention. There are fout Brexit's potential workers. introduced challenges zes on recruitment, but
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NH 007a Recruitment and retention	Heads of Services are continuing to work with HR / OD to carry out the following suggestd mitigations: • review recruitment strategy and identify other measures which can be taken to promote Hackney Council as a great place to work in technology and attract high quality candidates • review salary supplements to ensure that these are providing market competitive salaries and are also fair and transparent	Ajman Ali	Directors	31 Mar- 2021	December 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing

	review career development paths within the service and also ensure that apprenticeships / graduate trainee opportunities are being used effectively to develop internal talent.				
NH 007b Training and Development	Directors consider workforce issues as part of business planning and HR provides a framework of processes and procedures which will support both the Directorate and its staff through a significant period of transition. Established a resilient system of identifying workforce training needs using Business Partnering arrangements (whereby each Head of Service links with the Organisational Development Team) across the Directorate	Directors	Heads of Service	30 Jun 2021	December 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing
NH 007c Staff development	Two staff development training programs in place. The Customer Service Excellence training is aimed at establishing a corporate standard in the delivery of customer service for all frontline staff within Housing Services. Being Exceptional training is aimed at all staff within Housing Services. It builds on the Being Exceptional housing values that were introduced in the training rolled out in 2018. We are rolling out a number of initiatives to promote staff development and encourage staff retention. These include a job shadowing scheme which permits staff to shadow a manager; encouraging networking, greater understanding about other roles, sharing learning and experiences. We are also establishing a number of secondment opportunities within Housing Services which include elements of leadership training and qualifications.	Ajman Ali	Directors	31 Mar- 2021	December 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing

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NH 008 Failure of ICT Infrastructure INTERNAL RISK FUTURE RISK	The directorate is reliant on the ICT infrastructure to deliver its services effectively. There is a risk that there is a mismatch between required needs and ICT capacity to deliver. If there is a failure in ICT services, a likely consequence would be serious disruption and potential service failure.	Neighbourhoo ds & Housing	pooline il	December 2020 - In October the Council's ICT systems suffered a serious cyberattack. This has impacted the directorate key systems, Universal Housing, Planning and land charges.

				Managers are working closely with ICT colleagues to assist in the recovery of service and alternative methods of delivering service Service delivery has been seriously impacted.	
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NH 008a Governance arrangement for ICT Projects	Robust Governance arrangements are in place to manage ICT transformation projects with ICT expertise on project and programme boards	Ajman Ali	All Directors	Ongoing	December 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing.
NH 008b Partnership Approach with ICT colleagues	Service managers liaise regularly with ICT colleagues to resolve system issues and introduce service improvements.	Ajman Ali	All Directors	Ongoing	December 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing.
NH 008c Support Systems	Support systems are all in place to provide advice and back up when required for all service critical systems. This includes FAQs for customer services to enable them to support customers when the ICT systems fail.	All Directors	Heads of Service	Ongoing	December 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing.
NH 008d Supplier Management	Service and Contract reviews regularly held and documented with all major suppliers. Business Analysts/Project Managers assigned to projects from business case development onwards. Legal services engaged during the procurement process.	Directors in partnership with Rob Miller, Director Customer Services	Heads of Service with ICT	Ongoing	December 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing.
NH 008e Maximizing existing tools	While primary services systems are unavailable it is essential to explore alternative interim tools that can be made available to support service continuity arrangements. The Council has a number of tools it can deploy to provide this, including tools developed using the Amazon Web Services cloud platform and Google Workplace. Service Managers are working ICT colleagues to make use of these tools and re-establish services	Directors with ICT	Heads of Service with ICT	31 Mar 2021	December 2020 New Google Forms are also being developed for food businesses, ASB, recycling requests and civil enforcement. We have extended Fix my Street for reporting and extended Tascomi for new planning applications and building control.

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NH 009 Pandemic (COVID-19) EXTERNAL RISK FUTURE RISK	COVID-19 continues to persist (with the potential of further waves) having an undeniably damaging impact on the local area, both in the community and amongst staff within the Directorate. This will continue to place a massive demand on resources around the Borough and also have a potentially negative impact on effective service provision in all areas. This is adding financial pressures across the directorate particularly for income collection and the impact of the pandemic affects the economy and residents' incomes. There is an impact on rents, Parking and commercial waste income. The pandemic is also affecting services across the directorate; absences, through sickness or the need to self isolate, could affect the ability of the directorate to continue to deliver the essential services for our residents.	Neighbourhoods & Housing	Impact	register Overall, service have been main to working from employees able has proved such some employee from home the good service demorale which in service delivery. Ultimately, this clearly difficult perspective of within the risk already undertax provide some a directorate is many supporting the through its Emto be able to reenvironment. The nature of tare changing o	s risk is external and is to manage from the Hackney . The details controls (and work aken this year) should assurance that the nanaging effectively and rest of the Council, ergency Planning team, espond to the changing the virus and its impacts n a daily basis. At this kdown in England has
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NH 009a Pandemic - Business Continuity / GOLD / SILVER meetings / Contract Management / HR	As the onset of COVID-19 occurred, Emergency Planning and Business Continuity were immediately able (to support services) to activate relevant BCPs, which already existed in a fully up to date format. The BECC (Borough Emergency Control Centre) was set up to coordinate all critical activities that support the Council's	Senior Officers, advised and directed by Business Continuity	Emergency Planning	Reviewed weekly at the moment.	A second nationwide lockdown was announced to start on November 5th, with the continued importance of social

response. Senior management receive regular briefings about all developments and advice from the appropriate teams. Also, to ensure essential service obligations to residents are met (which includes warning and informing them of any risks to health, security, welfare property etc.), managers of service areas have updated their contact lists (staff and suppliers) and reviewed the Loss of People section in their Business Continuity plans as a priority (emailing the BC Manager to confirm this has been done). Updated plans are accessible both electronically and in print (both in the office and at home). The BCPs aim to ensure service delivery can continue effectively even in light of such disruption.

Regular updates are being provided by the Communications team to keep everyone fully posted on all developments and the Council's latest response.

GOLD (initially held daily) and SILVER (initially held twice weekly) Corporate Resilience meetings have been occurring providing transparent leadership.

In terms of the supply chain, Contract managers are being encouraged to think about alternative suppliers that they might be able to use and consider what steps they would need to take to put alternative arrangements in place.

Contract Managers are also being advised to familiarise themselves with force majeure clauses for their contracts, and the process that will need to be followed if a supplier tries to trigger it. Businesses may wish to consider force majeure and relief provisions in their contracts in order to reduce or eliminate liabilities, however this will depend on the specific wording of the clause and the governing law of the contract, and tends to require that the event or circumstance is beyond the party's control and:

- was not reasonably foreseeable at the time of entry into the contract
- the effects cannot be avoided by appropriate measures;
 and
- prevents performance.

Another control to be potentially used is for 'non-essential' (non-frontline) staff to be redeployed for temporary periods of time. This would be at the discretion of HMT and could assist at a time when staff absences approach extremely high levels.

distancing being repeatedly stressed. Prior to this London had been categorised as Tier 2, with restrictions already on people meeting outside their household bubbles. At the end of the second lockdown, London returned to the restrictions of Tier 2 which was swiftly increased to Tier 4.

The position is a constantly changing one and we are responding swiftly to all changes the requirements imposed by Government.

	HR has been drafting detailed guidance about every aspect of how COVID-19 may affect staff and how staff should proceed in the light of COVID related difficulties. This clarity should ensure a clearer approach to work during this confusing time. Clear steps have been put in place to ensure the Council can			
NH009b Housing	continue to safely manage the 30,000 homes across Hackney's estates and street properties, and prioritising our resources to mitigate against the risk caused by coronavirus. Central to this is ensuring that any council tenant who risks hardship as a result of the outbreak gets the support they need and does not have to worry about the security of their home, including suspending any evictions for the immediate future. The Council has guaranteed that council tenants who are unable to pay their rent due to hardship caused by coronavirus will not face eviction proceedings. Extra efforts are in place to protect private and Housing Services tenants from the hazards of evictions or uncertainty of possession orders during the coronavirus pandemic. We're asking landlords in Hackney to support their tenants in financial difficulty to give them the time and flexibility they need, and to go beyond the Government's requirements where they need extra help. The Council's Housing Officers have spent considerable time contacting vulnerable residents to make sure they have the support they need and are picked up through the Council's Humanitarian Assistance Group. They've also partnered with the Hackney Food Bank to provide vouchers for anyone struggling for food.	НМТ	Reviewed weekly	December 2020 - there is a clear acknowledgement that COVID-19 has had a massive impact in areas all around the Council and the relevant services have been quick to act offering much needed protection to the local community, both in private or public housing.

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NH 010 Fire Safety INTERNAL RISK FUTURE RISK	As a result of inadequate fire safety measures or defective workmanship (on cladding installation for example), death and serious injury occur from fire in LBH managed properties.	Neighbourhoods & Housing	Tikelihood Inpact	Updated in November 2020 –

In the light of the Grenfell tragedy and the increased focus on materials / workmanship on Council properties nationally, this risk was immediately escalated to Directorate and Corporate level. There were always Fire Safety risks on Housing registers, but recent events and understandable sensitivities necessitated this being featured at the highest level. As the controls below demonstrate, detailed work is taking place – and this has always been the case in terms of this threat. As a result of the tragedy however, extra focus and scrutiny is now been applied to all elements of fire safety in the Borough and there is certainly no complacency as to the situation. The Council has been receptive to new recommendations and with the publication of the Hackitt Review and the Grenfell Report phase one we now need to concentrate on implementing these recommendations in anticipation of new legislation being put in place.

This risk focuses solely on risks of an incident in blocks managed by the Council. However, the Council also has limited responsibilities in relation to housing associations and privately owned blocks in the borough. An incident in one of these blocks is also a risk to the Council, though obviously we have in place measures to meet the Council's responsibilities. The MHCLG is currently trying to add new burdens on LAs in relation to privately owned blocks.

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NH 011a Fire Risk Assessments	Ongoing review of all Fire Risk Assessments (circa 1,800) for all of our stock in order to provide reassurance to residents. Ensure that these new Fire Risk Assessments (FRA) are undertaken by suitably qualified assessors and that the assessments they produce meet strict quality standards. Publish all new Fire Risk Assessments on the Council's website.	Ajman Ali	Donna Bryce	Ongoing	Updated November 2020 – The fire risk assessment schedule is still on track with a three year programme of fire risk assessments. All blocks identified as high or medium risk will be subject to a type 3 risk assessment. All the fire risk assessors are now on the fire risk assessors register as part of the Institute of Fire engineers and this will enable the Council to have assurance that they are suitably qualified and regularly being assessed. A resident portal is now being launched in November 2020 so that all the fire risk assessments for 2019/20 can be published where residents will be able to track progress of the recommendations. The fire risk assessments are now available to residents in live time.
NH 011bb Fire Safety	Each Directorate has responsibility for ensuring agreed work plans from the previously convened Corporate Fire Safety Group are being delivered.	Ajman Ali; Anne Canning; Ian Williams	Donna Bryce	1/01/21	Updated November 2020 - The Fire Safety Programme Board has now been expanded to include health and safety issues and is now the Housing Services and Private Sector Housing Safety Board and continues to monitor fire safety works and projects. The Board provides senior managers and member's assurance that we are not complacent in relation to fire safety and will also monitor the implementation of actions coming out of both the Hackitt Review and Grenfell Report.

NH 011c Fire Safety – high risk blocks	Ongoing implementation of the key findings and recommendations from the new FRAs that have been/will be undertaken across all of our high rise blocks. Blocks to be assessed in priority based on a risk-based Forward Plan (scissor blocks first). Carry out additional non-FRA inspections across our high rise blocks in order to provide a visible presence across the Borough. Carry out any other ad hoc fire safety inspections that are required.	l Aiman Ali	Donna Bryce	1/01/21	Updated November 2020 - The three year programme of fire risk assessments is on track and continues to be delivered at a high standard. Housing Officers and Health and Safety Advisers carry out regular checks of our buildings to identify fire safety hazards. A programme of post inspection of all fire safety related works has been implemented in co-operation with PAM. We now have a more proactive approach to fire safety with a number of initiatives being implemented in the last few months to include: • Installing new fire signage across the borough • Surveying and installing new premises information boxes and ensuring relevant information is contained with the box • Ensuring we have up to date plans of our blocks which highlight any fire safety equipment • Resident insight project to identify our vulnerable residents and offer them support • Installation of floor level indicators • Fire safety contingency plans
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NH 011e Fire Safety – everyone's responsibility	Develop and implement a communications strategy that, amongst other things, (a) communicates the need for residents to take responsibility for fire safety in their area and also that we have taken all necessary action to keep them safe from the risk of fire, (b) ensure effective communication and engagement with tenant representatives, (c) manage communications with Members so that they are engaged and up to speed with the work that we are doing but we are not distracted from the work that we are doing, (d) keep staff up to speed with developments, (e) respond quickly to press enquiries.	Ajman Ali	Donna Bryce / John Wheatley	Ongoing	Updated November 2020 - Communications strategy in place and the Resident Safety team carry out regular outreach meetings in co-operation with the Building maintenance team. The internet has been updated to provide additional fire safety advice to residents We send out regular communication with residents to ensure they are aware of their responsibilities in relation to fire safety All sites have been accessed for accessibility and LFB are still carrying out regular inspections of blocks and providing advice. Regular briefings to members and to tenant and resident associations are provided. Fire Safety training was provided to members in November 2019 Regular internal bulletins on fire safety are sent out to all Housing Services teams via the google community which gives us an opportunity to share good practice. We are working collaboratively with the Housing Officers to implement a constant approach to fire safety within the blocks including joint procedures. Training has been provided to TMO's and Housing Officers on fire safety.
NH 011f LFB meetings	Develop robust arrangements for meeting regularly with the London Fire Brigade (LFB) to consider fire risk assessments and safety on our estates.	Ajman Ali	Donna Bryce	1/01/21	Updated November 2020 - We continue to have regular meetings with the LFB and we are working closely with LFB on ensuring we have contingency plans in all our premises information boxes and also working with them on identifying our

					vulnerable residents who would need help in the event of an emergency. We continue to carry out joint visits wherever possible with the LFB.
NH 011g Fire safety policy	Based on the lessons learnt from the fire safety response work undertaken since Grenfell, undertake a series of policy reviews and develop a set of proposal papers that will enhance the way that the Council undertakes fire safety management across the Borough. This will include: • Agreement on the new corporate Fire Safety Policy and the development of a new fire strategy with Council professionals, residents and industry experts. • Leaseholder Obligations/Requirements: This will cover a number of areas, including (a) ensuring that leaseholders are providing evidence that they are meeting their fire safety obligations, (b) developing a policy on how we ensure that all leaseholder front doors are 30 minute fire resistant, (c) developing a policy on allowing or requiring leaseholders to be included in communal safety works and inspections, e.g. gas safety or sprinkler or alarm installation; at their cost. • Our current policy and procedures for dealing with fire risks in communal areas (e.g. storage of combustible materials, blocking of escape routes. • Enhanced parking enforcement on our estates. • Responding to any recommendations coming from the Grenfell enquiry. Budget Management: Ensure that the necessary resources are in place to undertake all of the work coming out of the new FRAs. Establish "asks" of the government with respect to resourcing additional fire safety work and related costs, wider building regulation and perhaps industry with respect to cladding and sprinkler systems.	Ajman Ali	Donna Bryce	1/01/21	Updated November 2020 - A policy was implemented in August 2018 and was reviewed in January 2020 to ensure it is still fit for purpose and the legislation is still correct. FRA budgets are monitored via the fire safety programme board and via the Capital monitoring board. Fire safety has been incorporated into the Asset Management Strategy to ensure that fire safety is at the heart of our capital works programme. New guidance has been issued in relation to fire risks in communal areas so we have a consistent approach within council managed blocks and TMO's With the release of the Hackitt and the Grenfell review reports we continue to lobby government alongside other London Boroughs with respect to resourcing the additional fire safety works and related costs from both reviews. Working party has been formulated across Neighbourhood and Housing and Regeneration to ensure implementation of the new building safety regulations is managed in a timely and efficient manner.

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NH 012 Contract Procurement and Management INTERNAL RISK CURRENT RISK	As a result of Contract Management not being carried out properly or with regard to agreed parameters, revenue is lost or charges are levied which are not justified, leading to a poor level of resident's satisfaction (and general negative reputational impacts), unjustified cost and time overruns. Poor procurement decisions could result in non-viable contracts being awarded to non-viable contractors.	Neighbourhoods & Housing	pooduljawi Impact	December 2020 – Risk continues in light of the amount of investigation work currently ongoing. This risk is demonstrated by some of the work the Pro-active Fraud team undertake. There have been major investigations into external contractors and it their relationship with Housing Services has been managed in the past, and whether the work actuall completed accurately corresponds to the charges whave been levied. Also scrutiny is being applied to quality and accuracy of their work. All this ultimate relates to the Council ensuring it gets the best deal its money. The COVID-19 pandemic clearly increases the likelity of problems for suppliers and contractors who may dependent on financial variables outside the controtte Council., This makes the controls more importation than ever, and is also referred to in the Pandemic referred.	
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NH 012a Contract Specification in place	Contracts clearly define the requirements of the business. Also, regular liaison meetings with contractors.	Sinead Burke	Each Contract Manager	Ongoing	Dec 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing and KPIs regularly reviewed along with monitoring of spend pattern / profile.
NH 012b Tender Stage process followed	Robust tender process in line with EU procurement law and council standing orders. Internal procedures reinforced via regular Planned Asset Management/Procurement meetings, establishment of contract management board, and current recruitment to additional housing procurement resource.	Rotimi Ajilore	Each Contract Manager	Ongoing	Dec 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing.
NH 012c Contract Monitoring and Fraud Prevention	Restructure of Asset Management Team is based around the new contracts and clarity of responsibility for the contract managers in line with the contract manual.	Ajman Ali	Sinead Burke	Ongoing	Dec 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing. Phase 1 of the restructure is complete and

	Key performance indicators in place and used to assess the performance of the contracts. Where these show poor performance, corrective action is taken in line with contract procedures; recent examples include reallocation of work away from poorly performing contractors or raising Early Warning Notices.		Contract Managers		final phase completed by summer 2020.
	Final accounts prepared in a timely manner. A cross-working team has been established with Leasehold Services to ensure final accounts are prepared in line with leasehold recharge requirements as well as contract procedures.	Sinead Burke	Contract Managers		
	Governance arrangements have been established in Building Maintenance services to manage the reactive repairs and supply contracts.	Steve Platt			
	Regular contract audit.	Michael Sheffield	Fraud Investigation Officers		
		Donna Bryce			
NH 012d Review of form of Contract	The Contract options are being reconsidered to ensure that the contract form is fit for Hackney's purpose.	Ajman Ali; Rotimi Ajilore	Sinead Burke	Ongoing	Dec 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing
NH 012e Detailed Council guidance in place for Procurement, Partnership and overall Contract Management	There is detailed supporting guidance available for all elements of the procurement process, including detailed Risk Assessment tools and specialised Partnership guidance.	Rotimi Ajilore	Contract Managers	Ongoing	Dec 2020 – these controls are in place and continuing.
NH 012f Establishment of Housing Capital Monitoring Board	The Group Director Neighbourhoods and Housing has established a Housing Capital Monitoring Board to maintain an overview of the Asset Management Plan element of the Housing Capital Programme approved by Cabinet; make decisions on the progression of Housing Capital schemes using the Gateway process. approve Sectional Commencement Agreements (SCA) with the Council's contractors, ensure that each capital scheme has a robust communications plan linked to each Gateway point to ensure residents are consulted and engaged in capital investment in their homes,	Ajman Ali/Deirdre Worrell	Sinead Burke	Ongoing	Dec 2020 –Control established and ongoing.

	 monitor delivery against the programme, and make decisions on the reprioritisation of capital resources within the capital limits approved by Cabinet as part of the annual budgeting process. The Board is responsible for ensuring that the schemes undertaken through the Housing Capital programme have a communications plan that joins up with other initiatives and projects affecting a locality so that communications with residents on estates where works are taking place are holistic. This board approves all Sectional Commencement Agreements (SCA) for issue to contractors. A checklist is presented on each project which outlines how pre-contract procedures have been completed. A full list 				
	of all SCAs (issued and in development) is now available.				
NH 012g - Asset Management Strategy	A new asset management strategy went to March Cabinet for approval, and was fully ratified at the meeting on March 25 th 2019. This sets out the decision making framework for all capital projects and will ensure that a consistent rationale is in place for all capital expenditure. It identifies an action plan of supporting processes to be developed to implement the strategy (e.g. procurement strategy, staff resources, IT systems) and timeframes for identifying these.	Ajman Ali/Deirdre Worrell/	Sinead Burke/Simon Theobald	31-Dec-2020	This report sets out the long-term objectives for investing in Hackney homes to ensure that the Council builds on recent successes, demonstrates continuous improvement and achieves the ambition of becoming the leading social housing provider.