



Joint Audit Committee

23 April 2024

Responsible Officer:	Impact on Business:		Risk Register Reference & RAG
James Haylett Chief Executive OPCC	High		
	Medium		
	Low	X	
Lead Manager:	Report Type:		
Jack Hudson Director of Governance & Compliance, OPCC	Governance	X	
	Strategic		
	Operational		
Previous papers to Committee:			
<p>26 January 2024: An update to enable Joint Audit Committee to review this JSRR alongside the Cambridgeshire Constabulary's Operational Risk Register was provided in January 2024.</p>			

Report summary	<p>1. Purpose of this report:</p> <p>1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update to the Joint Audit Committee (JAC) on the Joint Strategic Risk Register (JSRR).</p> <p>1.2 Included within this report is an update against Internal Audit management actions MA 1b and MA 1c.</p> <p>2. Background</p>
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2.1 The JSRR includes joint risks which are relevant to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) and Cambridgeshire Constabulary. The JSRR is owned and managed by the OPCC. The strategic risks span both organisations. The current identified risks focus primarily on the statutory responsibilities as set out in following Acts:

- The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011
- The Police Act 1996 as amended;
- The Policing and Crime Act 2017

The identified risks also include working relationships between the two corporations sole and the delivery of the Police and Crime Plan 2021-24.

2.2 The current joint strategic risks were first identified following the introduction of Police and Crime Commissioners in 2012. There has minor reiterations since that time, mainly due to alignment of risks with statutory responsibilities. The current iteration was reviewed prior to and following the appointment of the Commissioner in May 2021. Reviews in relation to risk identification and assessment, treatment, monitoring and reporting have occurred, however the Strategic Risks have essentially remained constant, with adjustments made where appropriate to the severity assessment.

2.3 There are 17 joint strategic risks identified. This has increased by two following the completion of Management Action MA 1c. The risks are shown at Appendix 1. In addition, the severity score for two strategic risks have changed, from low to medium, due to the forthcoming PCC elections schedule for 2 May 2024.

2.4 In summary the severity score for these risks are;

Severity	Number of risks
Critical (score 24-25)	0
High (score 20-23)	0
Medium-High (score 14-19)	6
Medium (score 8-13)	7
Low (score 1-7)	4

3. Management Actions / Developments by exception

3.1. As the owner of the JSRR, the OPCC considered options to refine the JSRR, with less emphasis upon statutory responsibilities and increased alignment with ongoing risk identification and assessment, treatment, monitoring, and reporting by both the OPCC and the Constabulary.

3.2. Key to this work was the ongoing development of the Joint Corporate Governance Framework, which includes statutory responsibilities. The OPCC identified an opportunity to migrate the joint strategic risks across into the Governance & Assurance framework. This work is ongoing and linked into MA 1b, see 3.3 below.

3.3. Internal audit MA 1b - Assurances noted on the JSSR will be updated to ensure that they are clearly linked to documented controls, and that they comprehensively detail the source of assurance. **Update:** Work ongoing. The OPCC continue to migrate current strategic risks, based upon statutory responsibilities, across into the Governance & Assurance framework. Gap analysis completed. Work scheduled for completion post May 2024. This will enable the PCC & CC to agree joint

	<p>strategic risks, to be managed through a refined JSRR for presentation at BCB (24 July 2024) in July 2024 then JAC (30 July 2024).</p> <p>3.4. Internal audit MA 1c – As part of this, management will review risk SRR4.4 with a view to splitting the risk up to help document controls and control assurances more effectively. Update: It is suggested that MA1c applies equally to SR4.5. SR 4.4 and SR 4.5 split with SR 4.6 and SR 4.7 added to address this MA. Complete.</p>			
Action (tick one box only)	Information <input type="checkbox"/>	Assurance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Approval <input type="checkbox"/>	Decision <input type="checkbox"/>
Recommendation	That the JAC note the update as provided.			