



## Borough of Telford and Wrekin

### Audit Committee

Wednesday 15 July 2026

### Updated Strategic Risk Register

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| <b>Cabinet Member:</b>          | Cllr Zona Hannington - Cabinet Member: Finance and Resident Services                            |                                                                                      |
| <b>Lead Director:</b>           | Anthea Lowe - Director: Policy & Governance                                                     |                                                                                      |
| <b>Service Area:</b>            | Policy & Governance                                                                             |                                                                                      |
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| <b>Wards Affected:</b>          | All Wards                                                                                       |                                                                                      |
| <b>Key Decision:</b>            | Not Key Decision                                                                                |                                                                                      |
| <b>Forward Plan:</b>            | Not Applicable                                                                                  |                                                                                      |
| <b>Report considered by:</b>    | Audit Committee – 15 July 2026                                                                  |                                                                                      |

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#### 1.0 Recommendations for decision/noting:

The Committee is asked to:-

- 1.1 Note the information in respect to the updated Strategic Risk Register.

#### 2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to update members on the Council's Strategic Risk Register.

### **3.0 Background**

- 3.1 The Audit Committee's terms of reference state the the committee has the responsibility on behalf of the Council for the overseeing of the Council's audit, governance and financial processes including risk management.
- 3.2 The Council manages risk at all levels of activity. The Strategic Risk Register only details high level risks that may affect the delivery of the Council's priorities.

### **4.0 Summary of main proposals**

- 4.1 This report is for information only.

### **5.0 Alternative Options**

- 5.1 The Council could not maintain a Strategic Risk Register but this would not comply with the legal duty to sufficiently manage risk..

### **6.0 Key Risks**

- 6.1 There are no direct risks arising from this report.

### **7.0 Council Priorities**

- 7.1 A community-focused, innovative council providing efficient, effective and quality services.

### **8.0 Financial Implications**

- 8.1 There are no direct financial implications as a result of the Risk Register. The financial risks aligned to each risk category have been noted in Appendix A and should be agreed / approved as part of the process.

### **9.0 Legal and HR Implications**

- 9.1 In accordance with the Accounts & Audit Regulations 2015, the Council is required to have sufficient arrangements in place to manage risk and ensure appropriate financial controls.

### **10.0 Ward Implications**

- 10.1 The Council's risk management arrangements encompass all of the Council's activities across the Borough and therefore it operates within all Council Wards detailed in the Parish Charter.

### **11.0 Health, Social and Economic Implications**

- 11.1 There are no health, social or economic implications directly arising from this report.

## **12.0 Equality and Diversity Implications**

- 12.1 Transparency and risk management supports equalities and demonstrates the Council's commitment to be open and fair..

## **13.0 Climate Change, Biodiversity and Environmental Implications**

- 13.1 There are no direct climate change and environmental implications arising from this report.

## **14.0 Background Papers**

None.

## **15.0 Appendices**

A Updated Strategic Risk Register

## **16.0 Report Sign Off**

| <b>Signed off by</b> | <b>Date sent</b> | <b>Date signed off</b> | <b>Initials</b> |
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| Director             | 03/07/2026       | 03/07/2026             | ACL             |
| Legal                | 07/07/2026       | 07/07/2026             | ON              |
| Finance              | 06/07/2026       | 06/07/2026             | ER              |