

Item: 6

College Management Council Sub-committee: 3 September 2018.

Orkney College UHI Strategic Risk Register – Update.

Report by Executive Director of Education, Leisure and Housing.

1. Purpose of Report

To present the updated Risk Register for Orkney College.

2. Recommendations

The Sub-committee is invited to note:

2.1.

The Orkney College UHI Strategic Risk Register, attached as Appendix 1 to this report, which has been updated to reflect the position as at August 2018.

3. Orkney College UHI Risk Register

3.1.

On 19 March 2018, the Sub-committee noted the Orkney College UHI Strategic Risk Register 2014 to 2017, which had been updated to reflect the position as at March 2018.

3.2.

The Risk Register, attached as Appendix 1, has been further updated as at 10 August 2018. Updates to the Risk Register are as highlighted text within Appendix 1.

3.3.

Corresponding to this, detail of the criteria for 'risk likelihood', 'risk impact' and a 'risk map' is attached as Appendix 2.

3.4.

The principal risks for the current and forthcoming academic years are financial rather than academic, with the key challenges being:

- The need to recruit sufficient full-time Further Education students.
- The need to recruit sufficient Higher Education students (principally full-time).
- Failure of Business Units/Research Areas to generate sufficient income to balance against expenditure.

- Longer term financial sustainability relating to meeting growing staffing costs.

4. Corporate Governance

This report relates to governance and procedural issues and therefore does not directly support and contribute to improved outcomes for communities as outlined in the Council Plan and the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan.

5. Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising directly from this noting report.

6. Legal Aspects

There are no legal implications arising directly from this noting report.

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8. Appendices

Appendix 1: Orkney College UHI Risk Register - Update – August 2018.

Appendix 2: Risk Register Parameters.