# Public Health Risk Report

To: Adults and Health Committee

Meeting Date: 7 March 2024

From: Chief Executive: Public Health

Electoral division(s): All

Key decision: No

Forward Plan ref:

Outcome: Committee are briefed on the risks in relation to public health.

Recommendation: Adults and Health Committee are recommended to note the Public

Health risk registers.

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# 1. Background

1.1 It is a requirement to present risk reports to Committee regularly throughout the year to allow for appropriate scrutiny of the risk register. This report focuses on public health risks.

#### Main Issues

- 2.1 The Cambridgeshire County Council has a clear and approved Risk Management framework, policy and procedures which set out the key aspects of identifying, assessing and mitigating risks for the Council which includes:
  - Rating of risks are based upon their probability and their impact from a scale of 1-5 (5 being the highest level of concern) and multiplied to gain a risk score.
  - Impact of risks are scored against five categories:
    - Legal and Regulatory
    - Financial
    - o Service Provision
    - People and Safeguarding
    - Reputation
  - The Council tolerable level of risk is set at 16, where all risks of 16 or above will be
    escalated for further action / decision as required. This could mean; accepting the risk
    rating at that time; applying additional mitigating actions and/or other actions to lower
    the risk level as appropriate.
- 2.2 The Public Health Directorate risk register can be found as Appendix 1. There are currently 8 risks being rated as amber, and one rated as red.

# 3. Alignment with ambitions

3.1 Net zero carbon emissions for Cambridgeshire by 2045, and our communities and natural environment are supported to adapt and thrive as the climate changes.

There are no significant implications for this ambition.

3.2 Travel across the county is safer and more environmentally sustainable.

There are no significant implications for this ambition.

3.3 Health inequalities are reduced.

Appendix 1 sets out the implications for this ambition.

3.4 People enjoy healthy, safe, and independent lives through timely support that is most suited to their needs.

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3.5 Helping people out of poverty and income inequality.

There are no significant implications for this ambition.

3.6 Places and communities prosper because they have a resilient and inclusive economy, access to good quality public services and social justice is prioritised.

There are no significant implications for this ambition.

3.7 Children and young people have opportunities to thrive.

There are no significant implications for this ambition.

### 4. Significant Implications

4.1 Resource Implications

There are potential implications which will continue to be monitored as part of business as usual.

- 4.2 Procurement/Contractual/Council Contract Procedure Rules Implications
  Any related procurement activity will be compliant with the Council's Contract Procedure
  Rules
- 4.3 Statutory, Legal and Risk Implications Appendix 1 sets out the implications.
- 4.4 Equality and Diversity Implications
  There are no significant implications for this priority.
- 4.5 Engagement and Communications Implications
  There are no significant implications for this priority.
- 4.6 Localism and Local Member Involvement
  There are no significant implications for this priority.
- 4.7 Public Health Implications
  Appendix 1 sets out the implications.
- 4.8 Climate Change and Environment Implications on Priority Areas (See further guidance in Appendix 1): There are no significant implications for this priority.
- 4.8.1 Implication 1: Energy efficient, low carbon buildings. Positive/neutral/negative Status:

Explanation: No items in the public health risk log relate to this implication

4.8.2 Implication 2: Low carbon transport.

Positive/neutral/negative Status:

Explanation: No items in the public health risk log relate to this implication

4.8.3 Implication 3: Green spaces, peatland, afforestation, habitats and land management. Positive/neutral/negative Status:

Explanation: No items in the public health risk log relate to this implication

4.8.4 Implication 4: Waste Management and Tackling Plastic Pollution.

Positive/neutral/negative Status:

Explanation: No items in the public health risk log relate to this implication

4.8.5 Implication 5: Water use, availability and management:

Positive/neutral/negative Status:

Explanation: No items in the public health risk log relate to this implication

4.8.6 Implication 6: Air Pollution.

Positive/neutral/negative Status:

Explanation: No items in the public health risk log relate to this implication

4.8.7 Implication 7: Resilience of our services and infrastructure, and supporting vulnerable people to cope with climate change.

Positive/neutral/negative Status:

Explanation: No items in the public health risk log relate to this implication

# 5. Source documents guidance

5.1 None