

CAIRNGORMS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

FOR DISCUSSION

Title: STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER UPDATE

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Purpose

This paper presents an update on the Authority's strategic risk management and a commentary on management's review of action taken and current risk status.

Recommendations

The Audit & Risk Committee is asked to:

- a) **Consider the update presented on the Authority's Strategic Risk Register.**
- b) **Consider whether members have any further updates which should be incorporated into the Strategic Risk Register, including any additional risks not currently incorporated.**

Executive Summary

1. The Authority's Strategic Risk Register covering the delivery of the 2015 to 2018 Corporate Plan was adopted by the Board at its December 2015 meeting. As agreed by the Board, the Strategic Risk Register is regularly reviewed by senior management, to consider the appropriateness of the coverage of the risk register and to consider action being taken to manage and mitigate risk. The risk register was last considered by management in September 2017 and the results of the review are set out at Annex I to this paper.
2. The Annex specifies senior managers responsible for the management of each risk, together with a brief commentary on the management actions being taken to mitigate the risk. An indication is given as to whether the extent of the risk identified is assessed as escalating, broadly maintaining its risk level, or declining following action taken or wider environmental changes.
3. The Committee is invited to review the update on the management of the Authority's strategic risks, and to consider whether any further updates or comments require to be incorporated at this stage.
4. The Committee is also invited to consider whether there are any gaps in risk coverage, in terms of any new strategic risks potentially impacting on delivery of our Corporate Plan objectives.

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5. The risk register was presented to the Board in June along with the Corporate Plan update to the Board. The risk register will again be presented to the Board in December, again alongside Corporate Plan delivery updates.

6. Management Team have also commenced development of the next Corporate Plan for the National Park Authority, potentially spanning 2018 to 2022, and we will begin discussions with the Board on this over the next few months. The likely timetable for adoption of a new Corporate Plan is at the Board meeting in March 2018. We will also seek to renew the strategic risk register alongside the development of a new Corporate Plan.

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