Strategic Risk Register September 2012

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
AMBER	1	Marginal	Significant	Carol Chambers	Mark Naylor

Risk Name: Impact of Schools Converting to Academy Status

Risk Description: As the number of Rutland schools becoming Academies increases, so does the impact on the provision of central services by the Local Authority

Risk Controls:

Monitoring by senior officers.

Actions:

- Maintain contacts in other LAs to share information
- Use existing information to model possible impact
- Review relationship with schools in the future.

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AMBER	2	Critical	Significant	Carol Chambers	Jill Haigh

Risk Name: Public Health

Risk Description: Not being prepared for the transfer of Public Health Services from the NHS to RCC in April 2013, including inadequate funding

Risk Controls:

• Portfolio Holder for Health appointed within the Cabinet

Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board established in order to establish good relationships with partners and new Clinical Commissioning Group.

- Monthly meetings taking place between LA Director and Director of Public Health
- Public Health consultant seconded to Rutland 0.2 and joined Directorate Management Team
- Rutland Public Health group established chaired by JH
- Leics and Rutland Public Health Transition group established

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GREEN	3	Marginal	Low	Carol Chambers	Mark Naylor

Risk Name: Organisational Development

Risk Description: Failure to maintain and develop appropriate policies and procedures for the effective recruitment, retention and management of employees

Risk Controls:

- Corporate induction programme
- Core Values and Leadership Behaviours Framework now in place
- Appraisal system has been overhauled and will be rolled out from June 2012
- Weekly One Council Briefing issued to communicate key issues to all staff
- · Recruitment procedures currently under review including the Recruitment pages of the website

- Review currently underway to bring all HR policies and procedures up to date
- Behaviours Framework to be developed and appraisal system reviewed
- Induction process currently being reviewed to cover the first 6 months of employment covering all aspects including mandatory training courses.

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AMBER	4	Critical	Significant	Helen Briggs	Geoff Pook

Risk Name: Member Development

Risk Description: Failure to provide timely and relevant training and development to Members to enable them to undertake their roles effectively.

Risk Controls:

- Ad hoc training on specific issues/policies as needed.
- Job descriptions for portfolio holders
- Support to members through RIEP and leadership centre development programme
- Induction programme for all members has been delivered.

Actions:

- A programme of specific training is currently being compiled
- Evaluation of the training provided and ongoing assessment of any further needs

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AMBER	5	Critical	Significant	Helen Briggs	Chris Jones

Risk Name: Media Influence

Risk Description: Failure to manage the process of information/news release, resulting in adverse publicity within the local and national press

Risk Controls:

- Communications Officer is first point of contact, he has built up a good relationship with the press
- Communications Strategy includes a policy on dealing with enquiries from the press
- Use of press releases to put information across in the format we want.

Actions:

• No further action required at this time

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AMBER	6	Critical	Significant	Debbie Mogg	Geoff Pook

Risk Name: Responding to new legislation

Risk Description: Failure to identify and prepare for new legislation and the impact it may have on service delivery

Risk Controls:

- Responsibility for responding to new legislation is included in the job descriptions of all Strategic Management Team Members
- This is part of the role of the Monitoring Officer.
- SLA with legal services includes identification and advice on new legislation

Actions:

• Regular updates will be taken to Cabinet as legislation develops and the impact on RCC is understood

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
AMBER	7	Critical	Significant	Helen Briggs	Victoria Brambini

Risk Name: Office Accommodation

Risk Description: Fit for purpose and sufficient office accommodation

Risk Controls:

- Introduction of Power perfector and other energy management initiatives are improving energy efficiency
- Ongoing works have improved wiring, loading on building and improved working environment in some areas
- Regular service and repairs to maintain the life of the heating system
- Recent Big Move project has resulted in zoning of Directorates but has created some overcrowding problems
- Implementation of new phone system has improved the facilities for agile working

- Continued encouragement of flexible working arrangements and review of workspaces
- Increased use of electronic systems rather than paper storage
- Prioritised programme of improvements.
- · Options appraisal on heating distribution system replacement as invest to save
- Improvements to Fire Alarm system being deployed
- Property rationalisation, marketing of surplus requirements underway

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
AMBER	9	Critical	Significant	Debbie Mogg	Sharon Dring

Risk Name: Financial Position

Risk Description: Failure to keep the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) in balance

Risk Controls:

- 5 year MTFP in place rather than 3 year
- MTFP set up for use as a financial modelling tool
- Use of reserves
- · Robust financial management
- Efficiency savings programme

Actions:

- Close monitoring of savings achievement
- Star Chamber process commenced 10 September 2012 to start to develop longer term savings plans to address the deficit in the later years of the MTFP. This will feed into the budget process for 2013/14 onwards.

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
AMBER	10	Critical	Significant	Helen Briggs	

Risk Name: Significant business interruption

Risk Description: Failure to be resilient should the Council face a number of key threats e.g. loss of key staff (skills/knowledge), loss of ICT, loss of data, loss of fuel, loss of utilities, loss of vehicles

Risk Controls:

• Review of business continuity management arrangements

- New Policy Document, Business Impact Analysis and response plans being compiled
- Testing of business continuity plans

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
GREEN	11	Critical	Very low	Helen Briggs	Victoria Brambini

Risk Name: Significant business interruption – loss of main site

Risk Description: Failure to deliver key services should a significant business interruption lead to the loss of the main site

Risk Controls:

• Business Continuity Processes and procedures in place to protect the most vulnerable

Actions:

- New Policy Document, Business Impact Analysis and response plans being compiled
- Testing of business continuity plans

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
RED	12	Critical	Very high	Helen Briggs	Victoria Brambini

Risk Name: Catmose Campus

Risk Description: Financial out-turn above budget due to prolonged contract, service connections and archaeology / asbestos issues and post contract defect rectification management.

Risk Controls:

- Budget monitoring procedures
- Review Forecast outturn
- Analysis of contractor reports and performance and opportunities for challenge and cost recovery

- Completed forecast outturn return to be updated based on ongoing defect rectification management.
- Robust contract negotiations with contractor ongoing.
- · Assessment of asbestos reports and potential for recharge

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
GREEN	13	Marginal	Very low	Helen Briggs	Victoria Brambini

Risk Name: Local Plan (LP) formerly Local Development Framework

Risk Description: Implementation Delay

Risk Controls:

- Annual Monitoring report (2011) published on progress of LP with housing trajectories and completions data
- Ensuring alignment of LP with Sustainable Community Strategy and other strategic documents (e.g. Local Transport Plan)
- Member Champion for the project
- Officer and Members Working Group established to facilitate decision making
- Planning Policy Manager in place
- Realistic targets and milestones
- Monitor changing national planning policy
- Manage overall programme slippage resulting from additional work (Article 4 Directions, Neighbourhood Plans, SPDs)

- Core strategy adopted July 2011 and Site Allocations key document consulted upon
- Implications of National Planning Policy Framework being addressed
- SPD for Wind Turbine Development consultation complete and final approval due October/November
- Additional Resourcing in place to progress extended workloads (NPs, CIL)

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
AMBER	14	Critical	Low	Carol Chambers	Wendy Poynton

Risk Name: Safeguarding

Risk Description: Failure to Safeguard (both Adults and Children).

Risk Controls:

- Processes and procedures in place to protect the most vulnerable
- Monthly financial monitoring by senior officers and update reports to Cabinet.
- Panel decision on placements rather than single officer
- Revised supervision process to ensure early information.

Actions:

- · Register of associate staff established to develop sustainable staffing in social care
- Strict application of the panel process.

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
GREEN	15	Critical	Very Low	SMT	SMT

Risk Name: Contracted services

Risk Description: Failure of a major contractor to provide key council services

Risk Controls:

- Liaison with contractors to monitor performance and overall financial stability.
- Overview of their performance
- Annual company check undertaken.

Actions:

• Instigate monthly company checks for key contractors

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AMBER	17	Critical	Significant	Helen Briggs	Victoria Brambini

Risk Name: Corporate Capital Strategy

Risk Description: Failure to deliver capital projects within time-limited availability of the funding.

Risk Controls:

- Project Management and governance arrangements in place.
- Capital Allocations Project Board (Education) established
- · Regular project board meetings taking place, involving school reps and officers/members.

Actions:

- CIL Infrastructure Schedule detailing projects being drafted.
- Prioritisation process for projects pursuant to corporate strategic aims and objectives being developed.

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
AMBER	18	Critical	High	Helen Briggs	Cottesmore WG

Risk Name: Cottesmore Base

Risk Description: Not being prepared for the arrival of the Army

Risk Controls:

Close liaison with the Army

- · Cottesmore WG reactivated and relevant sub groups formed
- Police and other partners engaged
- Visit to Germany took place May 2012
- Induction pack prepared
- School admissions being progressed
- · Lobbying for funding with LGA, DfE and CLG

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RED	19	Critical	Very High	Helen Briggs	Victoria Brambini

Risk Name: Significant Planning Applications

Risk Description:

Risk Controls:

- ATLAS (Advisory service for large applications, EMC PAS or specialist consultants) engaged to advise as appropriate
- Appropriate legal and specialist planning/ S106 advice sought on individual applications
- SPD on developer contributions and Core Strategy adopted
- Portfolio holder and SMT regularly advised of all new significant applications upon receipt and significant pre-app enquiries

Actions:

- Wind turbine and other SPDs prepared to support policy framework
- Legal advice on retail application process.

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AMBER	20	Critical	High	Helen Briggs	Helen Briggs

Risk Name: Political Leadership

Risk Description: Turbulence within the political leadership

Risk Controls:

- Succession planning
- Member development

Actions:

• Regular 121's with Leader to discuss risks and mitigation

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
AMBER	21	Critical	Significant	Debbie Mogg/Carol Chambers	Andrea Grinney/Victoria Todd

Risk Name: Welfare Reform

Risk Description: Failure to be prepared for the welfare reform changes, including localisation of council tax support. Failure to deliver a council tax support scheme that address the financial gap within the MTFP.

Risk Controls:

- Joint project across the Leics and Rutland precepting area in respect of localisation of council tax support
- Early discussions have taken place with Cabinet
- Specific funding for implementation costs

Actions:

- Continuous assessment of the impact on vulnerable people and the services they may require as a result of the changes
- Continue to model the ongoing financial impact for the authority

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AMBER	22	Critical	High	Helen Briggs	Victoria Brambini

Risk Name: Digital Rutland - risk of non delivery

Risk Description: Failure to deliver improved broadband with resultant impact on economy and service transformation

Risk Controls:

- · Procurement of a strategic partner
- · BDUK funding in place
- Alternative funding sources
- State aid compliant process

Actions:

Further detailed activity pending State aid approval

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
AMBER	23	Critical	High	Helen Briggs	Victoria Brambini

Risk Name: Development of Ashwell prison site

Risk Description: To ensure that the future use of the site supports the Council's growth strategy

Risk Controls:

- On-going dialogue with MoJ
- Planning policy review and development options appraisal
- Council briefed on progress
- Community communication and business engagement to measure demand

- Continue dialogue with MoJ
- Financial model for business park
- Timely acquisition contract completion
- Process Supplementary planning document and planning application
- Council approval of capital budget and business plan
- Consultant and contractor procurement

	Risk Ref	Impact	Likelihood	Risk Owner	Risk Manager
AMBER	24	Critical	High	Carol Chambers	Mark Naylor

Risk Name: Schools Funding reform for 2013/14

Risk Description: Inadequate funding for Rutland schools to meet the needs of Rutland children and young people, inability of the Council to meet its strategic objectives and inability of the DCS to meet statutory responsibilities.

Risk Controls:

- Schools Forum
- Develop an agreed funding model with schools

- Response to national consultation
- Collaborative work with other LAs, ADCS and other national bodies.
- Project Group to develop funding models
- Briefing with all schools