## AC15. Strategic Risk Register

The committee considered a report by the Chief Finance Officer which provided an update on the IJB's strategic risk register. There were 11 live risks recorded in the register, 10 were currently considered as high risk and 1 as medium risk.

No new risks have been added to the register since it was reported to the committee in September.

Patricia Cassidy advised the committee that NHS Forth Valley had recently appointed a risk manager and this would assist in the realignment of risk registers across Forth Valley area.

The committee sought an update on the risk around Capacity and Infrastructure which had moved from low to medium risk. Ms Cassidy gave an overview of the ongoing workstreams to recruit to vacant posts. This included working closely with the Council's corporate management team to determine if the Council could assist the Partnership with back office support and with voluntary work and with Forth Valley College. She acknowledged that there had been challenges and pressure on the Service – at times absence in care at home workers had been 20%. However, she stated that staff retention was good and although the pressures would continue into the New Year, the high retention levels was a testament to the dedication of staff across the Service. She repeated that there would be challenges in the New Year – for example the implementation of the vaccination programme would be an additional pressure.

## **Decision**

The committee noted the draft Strategic Risk Register at appendix 1 to the report.