

VJB9. Risk Assessment Report

The Board considered a report by the Assessor & Electoral Registration Officer presenting a revised Risk Management Strategy. The Risk Management Strategy which had been approved in 2012 was reviewed annually. The purpose of the strategy was to identify risks before they occur and establish a response to the potential risks. The revised Strategy highlighted the latest risk analysis for all general risks highlighting updated actions.

The main risks were:-

- cyber security
- funding
- resources and staff retention

In response to questions the Assessor summarised the arrangements to address the risk of cyber-attacks, including the recruitment of a part time systems administrator. He also set out the challenges in recruiting and retaining qualified valuers. It was difficult to compete with the private sector in terms of wages and traditional public sector benefits such as pension plans and flexible working were now not unique to the public sector.

Decision

The Board:-

- 1) approved the revised Risk Strategy; and**
- 2) noted the current general risk assessment analysis for all functions.**