

VJB9. Risk Assessment Report

The Board considered a report by the Assessor and Electoral Registration Officer presenting the Risk Assessment Report.

The Board had agreed its Risk Management Strategy on 24 February 2012 (ref VJB31).

The report set out the findings of the latest Risk Analysis. Following the review the Assessor was proposing no amendment to the current Strategy.

The Assessor highlighted 3 risks to the Board, these were:

- computer virus/hacking attack
- loss of programming capability
- data breach

He also highlighted, as a potential risk, the outcome of the Barclay Review of Non Domestic Rates which was before the Scottish Parliament. This could see the 5 year revaluation cycle reduced to 3. This would impact on the work cycles and workload of the Valuation Team. An additional Principal Valuer had been appointed and it was likely that further staff would be required.

Mr Wildman also highlighted potential changes to the appeals system and the ongoing financial landscape as potential risks to the Board.

Following questions about the security of the Board's IT systems, Mr Wildman stated that external consultants were employed to test the Board's systems for vulnerabilities.

Decision

The Board approved the Risk Strategy and noted the current general risk assessment analysis for all functions.