

Human Resources Risk Register - Appendix B8

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1	Human Resources	Ability to respond to industrial action, changes in government initiatives or legal requirements	Cause(s): - Changes to staff terms and conditions (localisation agenda) - Lack of flexibility of workforce - Poor horizon scanning and networkings Effect(s): - Increased costs (bank / agency usage) - Reputation damage - Impacts on service delivery	Political	2	2	4	1. Early and effective engagement with staff and trade unions 2. Sound internal and external legal advice 3. Identifying appropriate legal options 4. Pro-active intelligence gathering via London Councils and other networks 5. HR processes in place for dealing with industrial action	2	2	4	Submitting timely proposals to Chief Officers and / or members of the Industrial relations committee.	Director of HR
2	Human Resources	Failure to comply with HR related legislative requirements e.g. Equalities Act 2010	Cause(s): - Lack of awareness with legislation - Failure to effectively consult staff where appropriate - Indrect / direct discrimination - Human error / lack of understanding - Lack of capacity and capability to deliver Effect(s): - Reputation damage - Financial costs - Regulatory inspection / intervention	Legal	4	3	12	Bromley Council policies & procedures in place eg. Equality Scheme Requirement to report and record accurately information eg equalities Training in place for managers and staff to ensure they are aware of their responsibilities Organisation to carry out a Capacity Risk Assessment	3	2	6	Professional updates / HR Mgt Team forward planning	Director of HR
3	Human Resources	1) ineffective workforce planning initiatives including succession planning, talent management. 2) upskilling of staff - lack of training resources/opportunities	Cause(s): - Insufficient strategic management control and planning -Staff turnover (capacity) - Lack of resources Effect(s): - Potential service delivery impacts - Loss of skilled/experienced staff - Missed opportunity to to develop and retain talent "in house" -Recruitment Costs	Personnel / Operational	3	3	9	Clear workforce planning strategy in place, including - Graduate Intern Scheme - Apprenticeship Scheme - Career Pathway - Leadership Development Programme - Succession Planning Tool	2	2	4	Review of 1. 'Development of a Talent Management Strategy. 2. Ensure that Apprenticeship Levy funds are utilised effectively 3. Consideration to ressurrect 'Future Leaders Programme'	Director of HR
4	Human Resources	Ineffective recruitment and retention strategies for hard to fill posts e.g. Adult's Social Workers, Children's Social Workers, Housing, Planning, Building Control	Cause(s): - Physical environment/hygiene facilities - Culture - Increasingly fluid market - Increases in demand and/or reductions in supply - Lack of experienced staff in the labour pool - Budget constraints - Lack of leadership - Effect(s): - Potential service delivery impacts - Increased costs due to use of agency workers - Reduction in quality of service	Personnel / Operational	4	3	12	1. Horizon scanning to anticipate changes and trends to staff complement 2. Keeping up to date on national trends for hard to recruit professions 3. Case load review 4. Review of pay and comparison with neighboring LAs 5. R&R Board to regularly review 6. No Quit Policy in place 7. Implement grow your own initiatives eg senior practitioners progression pathway, training pathways for social workers, graduate trainees, apprentices	2	2	4	None identified	Director of HR



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5	Human Resources	Ineffective pre-employment checks including agency workers	Cause(s): - Poor procedures - Inadequate monitoring - Lack of awareness / understanding Effect(s): - Workers with safeguarding concerns not identified - Safeguarding incident occurs (harm / injury) - Agency worker ID fraud - Reputation damage - legal compliance implications inc. fines and sanctions	Personnel / Operational	4	3	12	2	HR Business Services carry out checks for LBB workers & agencies to check agency workers. Managers check identity of candidate and of agency workers when arriving for work, with copy of DBS and proof of identity. E.g. passport, and original copy of birth certificate. Up front audits with Adecco undertaken to ensure processes are robust for agency workers Training provided for managers Internal audit undertakes a review of arrangement as part of their annual audit plan	4	1	4	Consideration as to whether training should be mandatory	Director of HR
6	Human Resources	Management of the on-going transitional and transformational changes (Commissioning process, baseline exercise and service redesigns and alternative delivery options)	Cause(s): - Lack of adequate financial resources - Lack of expertise - Unexpected delays - Changes in strategic direction - Lack of capacity to undertake in a timely manner - Conflicting priorities Effect(s): - New service models are ineffective / not fit for purpose - Increased costs - Legislative and legal requirements breached (e.g. TUPE) - Reduction in service quality / provision - Reputation damage	Personnel / Operational	4	3	12	2	Managing change procedure in place Capacity building and additional resources to support the change process Effective communication and engagement with staff and their representatives. Formal consultation processes and departmental representatives Regularly meetings include Members Terms of Reference for each workstream led by Chief Officers	3	2	6	One-off funding required to support transformation programmes and workstreams	Director of HR
7	Human Resources	HR systems failures eg payroll, recruitment, HR self-service, pensions	Cause(s): - Contractural failure - IT failure - Loss of power - Data breach / cyber attack - Ineffective business continuity plan for manual work around Effect(s): - Delays or restriction in level of HR support available - Staff not paid - Staff morale reduction if for a long period - Delays in ability to recruit - Failure to apply for jobs employment/legal issues - Failure to comply with contractural obligations - Industrial action	Data and Information	2	5	10	0	1. Back-up payroll processes/systems 2. Regular saving of personnel information on Resource Link 3. Business Continuity Plan in place 4. Internal audit carry out reviews as part of annual review programme 5. Regualr meetings with contractors and Business Continuity Plans for each contract	4	2	8	None identified	Director of HR



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	8	Human Resources	Ineffective compliane with IR35	Cause(s): Inadequate information from managers, Non submission of requests for HR scrutiny Non submission of approval by relevant Chief Officers, Poor knowledge of what is required Effect(s): Huge fine by IRS Reputational damage IRS investigation of the authority	Financial / Legal	2	5		10 3	Clear standards and expectations are set out in the procedure/manual Dedicated HR Officer with updated knowledge of IR35 requirements Access to external expert advice commissioned if required HR monitoring	1	3	3	- Regular awareness sessions on IR35 for managers - 6-monthly compliance report to CLT/COE - Joint HR/audit review	Director of HR
	9	Human Resources / Health & Safety	Health & Safety (Council) Ineffective management, processes and systems across all Council departments Specifically in relation to the following areas: Fire Risk Assessments Lone Working Violence & Agression at work	Cause(s): - Inadequate risk assessments - Outdated policies - Poor use of data around accidents/near miss incidents - Lack of capacity to discharge the Council's H&S responsibilities - Ineffective monitoring of risks Effect (s): - Potential prosecution of Council and / or civil claims for compensation - Increased sickness/absence - Poor staff morale - Impact on staff retention - Insurance claims - Potential accidents/fatalities - Corporate manslaughter	Health & Safety	3	5	5 15	15 4 (5	1. 0.6 fte Corporate Safety Advisor employed 2. Safety Policies reviewed and updated regularly - ongoing 3. Commitment to HSW from Chief Executive and Directors premises, equipment & activities 4. Supported by H&S training programme and network of policies and procedures (regularly reviewed) 5. Property-related HSW matters now provided through Amey 6. Holding contractors to account for managing Council premises to required legal standards	3	4	12	Risk assessment & proactive monitoring being developed for Council Departmental Safety Committees meet regularly. Corporate and Departmental Health and Safety Meetings to be further reviewed including Senior Management Ownership 'H&S audits to be undertaken by Corporate Safety Officer	

Remember to consider current Internal Audit priority one recommendations when identifying, assessing and scoring risks.