

Meeting Date: 19th July 2022

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Title: **Resources Scrutiny Panel Chairman's Report – Councillor Christine Finlayson**

CORPORATE RISK REGISTER

Corporate Risk Register came to the Business & Transformation Scrutiny Panel meeting on the 31st March 2022. Going forward the Resources Panel will be looking at the transition of Carlisle City Council to the new Cumberland Authority.

Section 105 Officers will need to discuss the development of the new Cumberland Authority budgets and new financial plans for 2023. This is because there were challenges on Council Resources due to ongoing key projects i.e. the Sands Leisure Centre, but it should be noted as of having sufficient resources this is not a risk going forward with LGR.

SQUAD WORKING

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a Report on Squad Working. Squad Working is built on the skills of individuals and their capacity to provide updates on new methods of working which is being adopted by the Council.

AWARDS FOR THE GARDEN VILLAGE

Congratulations to the Staff and other colleagues on their excellent achievement so far in winning the award for Excellence in Tech within Planning Practice category which will now go forward to the National Awards later this year. I'm sure we all wish them every success and of course our Congratulations, **Well Done**.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION

Going forward with this Panel we are tasked to make sure that the LGR Transformation Agenda is deliverable on Vesting Day for the New Authority.

This Panel is in a unique position to help the new authority with Carlisle City Council's financial plans, including the Borderlands and Towns Deal Government funding, to ensure that Carlisle and the surrounding area, including our Partnership working with our fellow Councils North of the Border, deliver our Borderland objectives.

I look forward to working with the Panel to hand over some of our Scrutiny functions and work programme outcomes to the new Authority, and we are fully aware that it is a suggestion only as the new Authority will, of course, make their own decisions and we are working towards a seamless handover.

Cllr Christine Finlayson
Chairman