

Strategic Risk Register

1. Purpose of the paper

1.1 The purpose of this paper is to present the Board the amended wording of Risk 8 on the Strategic Risk Register (listed at Annex A, together with the current wording) for its consideration, comment and agreement.

1.2 The Food Standards Scotland Strategic Risk Register provides a mechanism for identifying and mitigating organisational risk which could significantly threaten delivery of the FSS strategic objectives. The Executive and Audit and Risk Committee (ARC) regularly review the Risk Register to ensure that risks' impact and likelihood are being effectively and consistently managed. The ARC makes recommendations to the Board should it consider the Strategic Risk Register needs revision.

1.3 The Executive and ARC discussed Risk 8 at its meeting on 19th June 2019 and agreed a draft revised wording of this risk by correspondence, to be recommended to the Board for inclusion on the Strategic Risk Register.

2. Conclusion

2.1 The Board is being asked to:

- **Agree** the draft revised wording of Risk 8 on the Strategic Risk Register

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ANNEX A

Risk Eight – Strategic Risk Register

Current wording

- There is a risk of inconsistent delivery of food and feed official controls due to the resources available not matching the statutory requirements. This lack of sufficient resource could result in environmental health and trading standards services becoming unsustainable as they currently operate, and FSS's ability to ensure consumer protection being undermined.

Revised wording

- There is a risk of either **ineffective** planning or delivery of official controls leading to non-compliance with food and feed law, due to Local Authority capacity and capability to deliver these not matching statutory and food law code of practice requirements. In consequence, FSS would not be able to meet its obligation to assure this aspect of consumer protection.