



Subject:	Update on Brexit Day 1 preparedness
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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
	The purpose of this report is to outline for Members work that is currently being undertaken in relation to the Council's Brexit Day 1 preparedness.
2.0	Recommendations
	Members are asked to note this update.

3.0	<p>Main report</p>
	<p><u>Key Issues</u></p> <p>Members are reminded that that the Committee has been updated at its recent meetings on the work that is ongoing in relation to identifying potential Day 1 service implications in relation to Brexit. Members will be aware that there is ongoing uncertainty around the outcome and timings around exit, therefore Officers are currently preparing for a ‘no deal’ scenario.</p> <p>Members are reminded that the following actions have being undertaken:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The Council’s critical services have completed Brexit Resilience Measures templates to identify the potential impact that Brexit may have on service delivery over the period after exit from the EU and the necessary resilience measures that need to be taken before the exit date. 2) Responsible officers have reviewed and updated their Business Continuity Plan ensuring that it deals with service delivery post Brexit, and have communicated it to relevant staff. <p>Members are also reminded that a process had been put in place whereby emergency planning staff will provide situational reporting and daily position statements to the Council’s senior management team on critical services. A process for internal situational reporting has been developed. Critical services will be asked to email the report to the Emergency Co-ordination Centre (ECC) email address each morning in order to allow Emergency Planning to collate the information and escalate any emerging issues. Collated information will be sent to the reporting points on a daily basis and where appropriate forwarded to Chief Officers, Heads of Services, Corporate Communications and Elected Members.</p> <p>Officers are also working with relevant partners in relation to external situational reporting and the need to report on a daily basis into a central command hub. If this becomes necessary it will be added into the internal reporting process.</p> <p>Members are advised that this process went live w/c 25th March and reporting took place for several days, however due to the change of the exit date from 29th March and uncertainty around the timings of the exit, it was decided by the NICS that daily reporting was not required at this point and that the frequency of reporting would be kept under review as the situation evolves. Members should note that period of reporting was a good test of the reporting arrangements and offices are confident that the process works and can be activated as required.</p> <p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p>

	<p>There are no financial implications relating to this report but the work that is being undertaken to further define potential day 1 impacts, risks and mitigations may have financial and resource implications and these will be reported to the relevant committees as required. It is likely that there will be direct costs associated with preparing for Brexit e.g. in relation to civil contingency planning, and where possible these will be claimed back from central government.</p> <p>Members should note that the Council has not included an increase in its recurrent budgets because of the uncertainty, however, if one-off costs are to be incurred these will be financed through Council's general reserves.</p> <p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>There are no implications relating to this report.</p>
	<p>Appendices</p>
	<p>None</p>