## BODDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL RISK MANAGEMENT SCHEDULE

Approved by Council Minute **10.08.23.11a** - Date 10.08.23

To be reviewed: May 2023

| Financial                          | Financial   |                  |  |                                  |  |
|------------------------------------|---|------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|
| Subject                            | Risk Identified   | Risk Level H/M/L | Management of Risk   | Review                           |  |
| Financial Controls                 | Non- compliance with Financial Regulations and consequent inadequate protection of public funds | M                | Adopt and regularly review Financial Regulations   | Annually in May by Full Council. |  |
| Legal Powers                       | Council making payments without legal power to spend  | L                | Clerk/RFO is trained and receives advice/support from GAPTC/SLCC                                     | Ongoing                          |  |
|                                    |   |                  | Council is eligible to use the General Power of Competence and eligibility is reviewed annually      | Ongoing                          |  |
| RFO not completing statutory tasks | Council operating outside legal framework   | Н                | Accounts and bank reconciliation reviewed Quarterly by Full Council.                                 | Ongoing                          |  |
|                                    |   |                  | Internal and external audit reports (if applicable) submitted to Full Council                        | Ongoing                          |  |
|                                    |   |                  | Training given to RFO, as appropriate  | Ongoing                          |  |
| Annual Return                      | Not submitted in time   | L                | Council is exempt and annual submission of notice of exemption reported to Full Council and minuted. | Annually                         |  |

| Precept           | Not requested                 | L | Council minute. Precept request prompted by Borough Council                           | Annually                  |
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|                   | Not received                  | L | Diarised by RFO. Sufficient reserves held to continue operation if precept is delayed | Annually                  |
|                   | Inadequate to meet            | L | Precept based on detailed   | Annually                  |
|                   | expenditure needs of          |   | budget report which is  | Quarterly                 |
|                   | council                       |   | considered and approved by Full Council, which also                                   | Ongoing                   |
|                   |                               |   | receives Quarterly  |                           |
|                   |                               |   | comparisons of expenditure  |                           |
|                   |                               |   | against budget.   |                           |
|                   |                               |   | Precept is open to scrutiny   | Annually                  |
|                   |                               |   | by electorate.  |                           |
| Borrowing         | Insufficient funds to meet    | L | Not applicable – no   | Annually                  |
|                   | loan repayments               |   | borrowing   |                           |
| Banking           | Cash and cheques not          | L | Bank reconciliations  | Ongoing                   |
|                   | banked                        |   | circulated to Full Council  |                           |
|                   |                               |   | Quarterly.  |                           |
|                   | Misappropriation of funds /   | M | All payments made by are  | Ongoing, and annually via |
|                   | fraud                         |   | authorised by 2 signatories.  | Financial Regulations     |
| Staff competence  | Absence of appropriate skills | L | RFO has appropriate   | Ongoing                   |
|                   | in staff and councillor       |   | financial skills, which are   |                           |
|                   |                               |   | kept up to date, by CPD   |                           |
|                   |                               |   | training and NALC/SLCC  |                           |
|                   |                               |   | updates   |                           |
| Financial Records | Loss/destruction of records   | M | Bank statements available   | Ongoing                   |
|                   |                               |   | online.   |                           |
|                   |                               |   | Paper Copies of Invoices  |                           |
|                   |                               |   | kept behind locked doors.   | Ongoing                   |

| Payroll   | Incorrect payment of staff salaries or NI, pension contributions. | L | Use of payroll bureau for salaries.  | Annually     |
|-----------|---|---|--|--------------|
|           | Non-compliance with autoenrolment procedures                      | M | Pensions status of all staff reviewed Annually                                 |              |
| VAT       | VAT not reclaimed   | L | Claims made annually. Picked up by internal control and internal audit checks. | Annually     |
| Insurance | Adequacy  | М | Clerk reviews when asset register updated                                      | Bi- Annually |

| MANAGEMENT                 |                               |                  |                              |          |  |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|----------|--|
| Subject                    | Risk Identified               | Risk Level H/M/L | Management of Risk           | Review   |  |
| Continuity of staff        | Absence of Clerk –            | M                | Use of locums via GAPTC      | Ongoing  |  |
|                            | resignation / long term       |                  | where possible               |          |  |
|                            | illness                       |                  |                              |          |  |
| Loss of records            | Loss of paper records         | M                | All key paper documents      | Annually |  |
|                            |                               |                  | have electronic versions     |          |  |
|                            |                               |                  | which are accessible on      |          |  |
|                            |                               |                  | website                      |          |  |
| Health and Safety of staff | Injury to staff while at work | L                | Clerk operates in accordance | Ongoing  |  |
|                            |                               |                  | with Health and Safety       |          |  |
|                            |                               |                  | procedures                   |          |  |
|                            |                               |                  | Clerk alerts councillors to  |          |  |
|                            |                               |                  | potential risks              |          |  |
|                            |                               |                  | Employers' Liability         |          |  |
|                            |                               |                  | Insurance in place           |          |  |
| Health and Safety of       | Injury to volunteers when     | L                | Volunteers have received     | Ongoing  |  |
| volunteers                 | carrying out Community        |                  | training specific to this    |          |  |

| Speedwatch activities / | activity Hi-vis jackets are    |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Litter collection       | worn Employers' Liability      |
|                         | insurance is in place (though  |
|                         | injury caused by a third       |
|                         | party would be covered by      |
|                         | the driver's insurance policy) |

| PROCEDURAL                            |  |                  |  |           |  |
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| Subject                               | Risk Identified  | Risk Level H/M/L | Management of Risk   | Review    |  |
| Legal Powers                          | Council acting outside its powers                                | L                | Clerk is CiLCA trained and undertakes Continuous Professional Development through GAPTC and SLCC All activities to be approved by council resolution and minuted Councillors to receive training on appointment and updated as necessary | Ongoing   |  |
| Documents                             | Accuracy of records  | L                | All agendas are checked by<br>Chair of Council. All minutes<br>are approved by Full Council<br>at subsequent meeting   | Quarterly |  |
|                                       | Non-compliance of minutes and agendas with statutory regulations | L                | Clerk is CiLCA qualified and<br>Council operates within<br>standing orders and financial<br>regulations based on NALC<br>model   | Ongoing   |  |
| General Data Protection<br>Regulation | Non-compliance with Regulation                                   | L                | Councillors received training before introduction of   | Ongoing   |  |

|                  |   |   | regulations and Clerk works with relevant parties to ensure that breaches do not occur |          |
|------------------|---|---|--|----------|
| Public liability | Failure to provide duty of care to the public | М | Public Liability Insurance<br>held to cover claims for                                 | Annually |
|                  |   |   | death to others caused by Council's staff or products                                  |          |

| ASSETS         |  |                  |  |           |  |
|----------------|--|------------------|--|-----------|--|
| Subject        | Risk Identified                          | Risk Level H/M/L | Management of Risk   | Review    |  |
| Asset Register | Non- recording of assets                 | L                | Clerk maintains asset register which is checked as part of internal audit process. Total asset figure is shown on annual return which is approved by Full Council. | Annually  |  |
|                | Assets not insured or under insured      | M                | Insurance cover reviewed by Clerk on acquisition of new assets. Cover also reviewed annually at renewal date.  | Ongoing   |  |
| Contractors    | Damage to assets through bad workmanship | L                | Use of trusted contractors with adequate public liability insurance  | As needed |  |

| COUNCILLOR CONDUCT |                 |                  |                              |         |  |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------------|---------|--|
| Subject            | Risk Identified | Risk Level H/M/L | Management of Risk           | Review  |  |
| Code of Conduct    | Non-compliance  | M                | Councillors sign undertaking | Ongoing |  |
|                    |                 |                  | to comply.                   |         |  |

|                                |                             |   | New councillors attend training. Chair will, on advice of Clerk, raise incidents of noncompliance with councillors.  |                     |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--|---------------------|
| Register of Members' Interests | Non-disclosure of interests | L | Clerk receives declaration forms from councillors on appointment and lodges with borough solicitor. Forms updated, as appropriate. Agenda item at each meeting of Full Council requesting declaration of interests pertinent to the agenda | Annually  Quarterly |