Committee	Board of Management						
Date paper prepared	09/08/2022 Date of committee meeting 24/08/2022						
Subject	Risk Register						
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Action requested	For information & review						
Purpose of the paper	To provide the Board with a summary	of the risk register					
Brief summary of the paper	A summary of the risk register is provi overview for Board consideration.	ded. Individual risks are reviewed by appropriate sub-comr	mittees and SMG. This provides an				
Consultation	SMG members and sub-committee pro	ovide review and updates on the risk register					

Resource implications	n/a
Risk implications	n/a
Link with strategy	Links to all parts of the college strategic plan
Equality, Diversity and Inclusion	n/a

Island Community Impact	n/a
Paper status	 ☑ Open – The paper may be circulated to non-members of the committee and published online without restriction. ☐ Restricted – The paper must not be circulated to non-members or published online until after the committee meeting. ☐ Confidential - The paper must not be circulated beyond the committee members and should not be published online. [Please note papers may still be subject to Freedom of Information requests – see below].
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Risk Number & Name	Causes	Impacts	Residual Risk (Pre action)	Action Points	Residual Risk (Post action)	Owners
Shetland UHI / 1 College does not achieve allocated HE student number targets.	Failure to recruit sufficient students due to various factors such as: over ambitious PPF target, poor marketing, curriculum gaps, poor NSS results etc.	Reduction of college income from UHI, regional student number target at risk resulting in possible clawback to SFC from UHI in year or reduction in future years grant	16	 Implement Celcat to get a better handle on staff capacity and utilise resources better. Consider increased partnership work to allow for more varied course offer and to run courses where viability in Shetland does not allow course to run. Engage with UHI curriculum review. Widening our reach to attract students from outside of Shetland. Review HE numbers and plans for coming semester regularly. Encourage ownership of these risks and solutions by course teams. Review viability and attractiveness of courses. Amend where appropriate. Consider PT HE courses to start semester 2 or 3. Look at progression pathways to address any gaps. Increase industry talks etc. Review CDN research for marketing strategy. Ensure website is populated. Open days, good news stories, showcasing work. Raising awareness of new brand. 	12	L&T sub committee, SMT, LB & KB
Shetland UHI / 2 College does not achieve allocated FE Credit targets.	Failure to recruit sufficient students due to various factors such as: over ambitious PPF target, poor marketing, curriculum gaps,	Reduction of college income from UHI, regional student number target at risk resulting in possible clawback to SFC from UHI in year or reduction in future years grant	16	 Increase offer of PT FE courses for semester 2 and 3 start. Relook at courses to maximise credit numbers. Review numbers and plans for coming semester regularly. Encourage ownership and buy in from staff teams. Review viability and attractiveness of courses and amend where appropriate. Review FAs. Cross departmental courses to develop additional or more attractive offer. Partnership courses to increase offer. Engage with UHI curriculum review. Cross departmental delivery. Review application processes Build on existing industry relationships and create new links to offer increased work-based learning opportunities. Build on school partnerships, potentially considering engaging with younger children. 	12	L&T sub committee, SMT, LB & KB

	poor NSS results etc.			 Review CDN research for marketing strategy. Ensure website is populated. Open days, good news stories, showcasing work. Raising awareness of new brand. 		
Shetland UHI / 3 The institution has a poor reputation.	Significant or sustained adverse publicity, governance/mana gement failure, negative comments on social media, poor academic results, poor performance in league tables, significant withdrawal rates.	Inability to recruit students or attract and retain high calibre staff, inability to attract funding and/or develop strategic partnerships.	12	 Manage expectations and perceptions: identification of elements of operational environment and strategy that could affect SUHI reputation. Assess reputation and areas for improvement through student feedback Improve weak internal co-ordination: improving service by breaking down silos/improvement in infrastructure / governance / processes and culture to be prepared to meet opportunities and meet expectations Role of Employees: use of communications guide and promotion and active use of values Creating a strong positive reputation among stakeholders: engaging with stakeholders through communications channels to create a positive reputation 	9	BoM, SMT, Principal, GM, Comms
Disruption to services/projects and/or partnership working resulting from loss of a key staff member.	Retirement, resignation or death in service of key staff member(s). Inadequate succession planning. Over- reliance on individuals. Associated knock on impacts resulting from transition arrangements	Projects delayed due to loss of continuity, corporate knowledge gaps and disruption/loss of established relationships and contacts.	9	Create succession plan for staff who are retiring in next 3-5 years. Ensure Key managers delegate well and train staff under key members to act up for at least parts of their jobs. The staff who are retiring in next 3-5 years. Ensure Key managers delegate well and train staff under key members to act up for at least parts of their jobs.	6	HR&R, SMT, JF

Shetland UHI / 5 Non-compliance with relevant statutory regulations	with staff acting up and possible failure of backfill solutions. Lack of awareness of relevant laws and penalties. Management failures. E.g.new General Data Protection Regulation from 25th May 2018, Bribery Act, Health and Safety Regulations etc.	GDPR will provide new rights for individuals and impose additional obligations on data controllers and processors.	15	 SharePoint site containing Health & Safety and GDPR policies and procedures is available to staff. GDPR Group and Health & Safety Committee have started to review all policies and procedures. Amended documents to be read by all staff. This should be repeated annually. Annual audit of data register must take place to ensure control of all personal data and in particular protected data. Data Breaches must be correctly reported and documented on the Data Breach Register. All incidences of consent must be recorded on the Consent Register. Compliance and Projects Coordinator is a member of IOSH and is regularly updated with changes to H&S law and Insurance changes. Relevant changes are currently shared with staff. The compliance and Project Coordinator attends UHI H&S Practitioners Group Meetings. UHI DPO also circulates changed on GDPR law as they 	10	Health, Safety & Wellbeing Group; GDPR Working Group, SMT
Shetland UHI / 6 Governance Failure	Governing body does not have an appropriate balance of skills and experience. Role of a governor/director is onerous and it is difficult to attract a broad range of high calibre individuals to serve for non-	Recent advertisements for new members have attracted few applications		 College should run a scoring system for the recruitment of board members to ensure it has strong links with industry and has necessary key skills. Regular review of board members skills and industry links by search and nominations committee Regular review of Terms of Reference of sub-committees by Board Board induction Board training Implementation of Code of Good Governance 		Search & Nominatio ns; Chair & Sec

Shetland UHI / 7	remunerated roles. Individuals do not understand their roles. College does not adhere to Code of Good Governance Efficiencies	Increased pay costs	16	Budget Setting - timetable set to collate income projections and	12	HOD's,
Financial failure/operating loss. Inability to achieve a balanced budget.	savings are not realised. Increased employment costs, whilst not achieving income forecasts.	(national bargaining), pensions and NI contributions. Efficiency savings are not achieved quickly enough to counteract reductions in income.		 Budget Setting - timetable set to conate income projections and related expenditures budgets from staff. Aim to maximise existing resources and identify efficiencies at earliest opportunity. Budget Control - Monitoring processes for both income and expenditure. Unexpected over/under income/expenditure identified early. Regular reporting to F&GP and SMG. Employment costs - Changes as a consequence of national agreements. Regular review of employment cost budget. Continued lobbying of SFC/SGOV to mitigate cost of changes through funding support. Plan for scenarios into the future where support reduces. Pension Fund - Increased costs through employer contributions. Continue to monitor valuations and keep up to date on any options that may be available. Impact of increased costs likely to effect service budgets and should be considered when setting/monitoring budgets. New Funding Streams - Seek new funding streams, to maximise efficiency of existing activities and for new activities to grow business. 	12	GG, IJ, Principal, F&GP, Capital Spend Working Group, Budget holders
Shetland UHI / 8 College estate not fit for purpose.	Lack of investment in capital maintenance/new capital project expenditure.	Poor performance in NSS, increased number of complaints received, unable to meet new growth targets.	12	 Engagement with Islands Deal and in-depth planning around best use of the fund available across the campuses Capital Planning Group has been set up to monitor existing capital spend and plan for future capital investment. Development of new and updated list of needs/wants from staff & students: creation of this list will allow SUHI to provide courses and infrastructure that meet industry standards and needs. List will be 	6	F&GP, Operation s and Estates, Capital Spend

	Rapid growth of student population without investment in new expanded facilities.			available. Maintaining planned and reactive repairs to maintain the condition of the huildings.	Working Group, GM, GG, AS, BH, JL
Shetland UHI / 9 Academic quality is sub-standard	Difficulty recruiting and retaining high calibre staff. Conditions and terms of employment are not competitive with limited scope for career progression. Infrastructure/est ate is unsuitable or not fit for purpose	Poor performance in quality monitoring/assuranc e reviews. Loss of staff to competitor institutions. Poor attainment levels, high level of withdrawal and poor retention. Damage to reputation.	3	and obtain TQFE qualifications and will be continually reviewed. Quality Assurance group will strive	LTR sub committee , QIC, KB, LB, SS
Shetland UHI / 10 Poor Student Experience	Poor college estate. Dispersed campus with limited facilities for social interaction. Technology failures. Limited	Poor performance in national student satisfaction surveys. Reputational damage. Impact on ability to recruit future cohorts. Risk	6	team, or dedicate a person, to action improvements. Response to feedback? Campus redevelopment project Redesigned induction	LTR sub committee , Academic Board, SMT, LB, KB, GM, SS

	teaching/library resources.	to core income streams.				
Shetland UHI / 11 Research outputs are sub standard	Failure to publish sufficient quality papers and upload to PURE. Loss of key staff. Lack of funding. Inadequate resources allocated to research staff. Terms and conditions of employment are not comparable with competitor organisations. Impact of Brexit on access to European projects.	Damage to reputation. Brexit. Poor performance in next REF. Inability to retain staff and research teams. Reduced income.	9	 Seek additional research opportunities including, where possible, higher calibre projects. Take on more PhD students. Make it a policy to publish articles within regular set timelines. Assist staff to progress academically. Engage more with UK and international collaborators. Market our research skills. Ensure research staff all have training in PURE and understand the requirements regarding open access Training session included in SUHI training day 17-1-22 All research students to be given PURE training as part of UHI Graduate School induction Produce internal SUHI processes for the approval of publications for submission Develop a research framework that provides staff with opportunities to develop research networks e.g. conference funding encourage engagement with research pools and other committees share information on sabbaticals Ensure best practice with respect to REF including: training for staff on how to improve the star rating of publications (being prepared for training day on 17-1-22) training and awareness raising around REF Case studies (included in staff training for 17-1-22) Encourage staff to participate in the Research Mentoring Programme 	9	BM, RECT, CA, MI
Shetland UHI / 12	Poor IT security measures. Equipment with security holes.	Information Commissioner fine of up to £500k. Adverse press coverage. Loss	12	 Ownership and proactive monitoring of cybersecurity risks at university and academic partner senior management level. Complete Information asset register. Sensitive personal data must be secured appropriately, handled correctly and accessed carefully by approved users. Mandated information security training and increased staff 	6	BoM, SMT, GDPR Working

Institutional, personal and sensitive data is corrupted, lost, stolen or misused or services are disrupted through malicious and illegal activities by external individuals or bodies.
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Key

TIMESCALE 3 RISK MAP (for Gross risk & residual risk) YEARS

IMPACT								
5 - Catastrophic	5	10	15	20	25			
4 - Major	4	8	12	16	20			
3 - Significant	3	6	9	12	15			
2 - Minor	2	4	6	8	10			
1 - Insignificant	1	2	3	4	5			
	1 -Very Rare	2 - Unlikely	3 - Possible	4 - Likely	5 - Almost Certain			
	LIKELIHOOD							