

PART I – DELEGATED

**FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY RISKS
(DoF)**

Summary

- 1.1 This report advises the Committee on the latest position in respect of the evaluation of financial risks facing the Council for discussion and any recommendations or comments they wish to make.

Details

- 2.1 In December 2024, the Government announced that consultation on the Fair Funding Review would take place during 2025/26 with the implementation date set for 2026/27. Early forecast models of funding by LG Futures and Pixel show varying impacts on Three Rivers District Council but taking a prudent view will allow a measured approach to the budget for 2026/27 and the medium term. The Local Government Settlement, which will detail the funding Three Rivers will receive, is not due until just before Christmas.
- 2.2 The pay award for 2025/26 was settled at 3.2%, which was above the 2% pay award that was allowed for as part of the 2025/26 budget, however there is sufficient funding in the contingency for the variance.

Options and Reasons for Recommendations

- 3.1 The recommendations allow the Committee to review the financial risks faced by the Council and record any comments it wishes to make in respect of individual risks.

Policy/Budget Reference and Implications

- 4.1 The recommendations in this report are within the Council's agreed policy and budgets.

Financial, Legal, Equal Opportunities, Staffing, Environmental, Community Safety, Public Health, Customer Services Centre, Communications & Website, Risk Management and Health & Safety Implications

- 5.1 None specific.

Recommendation

- 6.1 That the Committee review the risk register and make any comments it wishes to make against individual risks.

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Data Quality

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Data rating:

1	Poor	
2	Sufficient	

3	High	√
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APPENDICES / ATTACHMENTS

Appendix 1 - Financial Risk Register