

Annex 1 - Key risks:

1. The known key programme risks shown below remain consistent with those documented in the DB&I Programme Re-plan 21 December Cabinet report with the exception of an additional third operational risk.

Category	Risk Description	Mitigation Activity
Operational	There is a risk that the programme's final payroll go-live slips beyond April 2022 meaning that SAP payroll would be required for the 2022/23 tax year.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The possible continued use of SAP during 2022/23 requires the completion of required patches to the SAP system by the IT & Digital team in advance of April 2022. Cost of contractor resources (£72k) in the council's team to complete the required patches. Continuation of the SAP Support & Maintenance contract into 2022. (£579k additional cost to the council)
	There is a risk that there will be a drop in the level of service from Business Operations for SCC and other customers during the cutover in March and April (Year End) and early life of the new system.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cutover Lead to lead detailed planning of delivery of initial pay runs in Unit4, working closely with Business Operations management team, as part of cutover planning process. Clear roles, responsibilities and resourcing for business readiness and communication and engagement both for internal users and with external customer organisations.
	There is a risk that the BAU support team will have difficulty aligning to the very different set of support processes and characteristics of the Unit 4 system after (in many cases) many years of SAP experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secondment of existing ERP Support team members to DB&I programme team for duration of implementation. Additional 4 FTC Unit4-experienced support resources for the 1st 18 months of MySurrey operation. Unit4 Transition Manager support to ensure readiness of ERP support team prior to go-live. Additional contractor to be procured to complement the security stream from January through to go-live.
Financial	There is a risk of further delay to the programme's go-live date beyond April 2022.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed planning for April go-live across the programme and ongoing focus on managing delivery progress against the plan across workstreams. Mitigations to address the root cause issues of delay as summarised in Annex 1 of the DB&I Programme Re-plan Cabinet Report (December 2021)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A contract variation will be agreed with the supplier, which reflects the revised milestones and new go-live date and enables the council to fully exercise its rights according to the contract in the event of any further delay.
	<p>There is a risk that the programme is not ready to go-live with the full scope of Payrolls by April (i.e. Corporate, Schools and Bureau customers).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed review and planning of required business preparation for dual running for payroll in SAP and MySurrey for period of delay. • If required, re-plan to extend Payroll delivery beyond April with heavily reduced team to cover Payroll elements only.
Strategic	<p>There is a risk that there is a resource availability & capacity issue in the corporate business, IT&Digital and directorates to be able to meet their required time commitment to deliver the programme.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource requirements by programme phase have been shared with business stakeholders and there is ongoing communication at the workstream level to share detailed plans and agree resource allocations. • Backfill requirements for UAT and Deployment stages provided and business roles to be in place from start of UAT.
	<p>There is a risk that the programme will be unable to complete all critical reporting requirements within the available implementation timeline and budget.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A prioritised plan for report development has been developed and agreed, which focuses on critical reporting needs required for go-live. • Recruitment of specialist Report Developer resources and additional support from Unit4 is being provided to deliver report requirements. All associated costs are included in the funding request.
	<p>There is a risk of a high volume of ongoing requested changes to the solution within HR, impacting delivery and the achievement of the April go-live date</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strong governance including triaging of any changes requested during UAT to progress only those where they are critical for go-live.
	<p>There is a risk that there is resistance to change from staff in adopting the new system and processes, impacting benefits realisation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focused communication and engagement to drive the change, maximise adoption of the new solution and realise its benefits.