Location Risk assessment

Address location: 34 Heol Llywelyn, CoedPoeth, Wrexham. LL11 3PB

Heol Llywelyn

(13.01.2026)



Regulation 43 and 44

- ‘The location, design and size of the premises are suitable for the service as described in the statement of purpose.’
- ‘The premises are located, designed and equipped to meet the needs of the individuals for which the service is intended and reflect national guidance’.
- ‘In determining the location from which the service will be delivered, the service provider takes into account the need for individuals to have easy access to the local community and relevant facilities, such as those relating to education, health, employment and leisure, as well as good access to public transport.’

Manager: [redacted]

CIW Registration Number: [redacted]

Background

Heol Llewelyn is a five-bedroom, detached residential property located in Coed Poeth, Wrexham, designed to provide a safe, supportive, and nurturing environment for up to three young people aged 9–17 who have experienced childhood trauma. The property has been fully renovated and is well-furnished to meet the physical, emotional, and social needs of its residents.

The layout of the home includes separate resident and staff bedrooms, a staff office, shared communal spaces, and secure outdoor areas with seating and grassed areas for recreation and reflection. All areas are designed to minimize hazards, with adequate lighting, storage, and accessibility to ensure safety for residents and staff.

Heol Llewelyn is situated on public highways maintained by Wrexham Council, with multiple access points to surrounding roads. The property maintains a clear risk management approach, including secure access, supervision protocols, and regular inspections of both indoor and outdoor areas, to safeguard young people and staff from potential physical, environmental, and operational risks.

This risk assessment reflects a commitment to identifying, evaluating, and mitigating risks associated with the property, its environment, and the needs of residents, ensuring a secure and supportive living environment at all times.

Local Government Information

Local Council Address: Wrexham County Borough, The Guildhall Civic Offices, Holton Road, Wrexham, LL11 1AY, United Kingdom

Telephone Number: 01978 292000

Local Member of Parliament	
Name	Andrew Ranger MP
Contact Details	33 King Street Wrexham LL11 1HR United Kingdom 01978 788854 andrew.ranger.mp@parliament.uk
Spoken Contributions Andrew Ranger has contributed regularly in the House of Commons since being elected in July 2024.	**Maiden Speech (House of Commons)** * Delivered his first speech in Parliament, where he introduced himself and highlighted local issues for Wrexham including community strength, local businesses (like Wrexham AFC & Wrexham Lager), and regional history. **Questions & Debates (Commons Chamber)** He has participated in Oral Questions and debates on topics including: * Economic growth and steps to support it. * Antisocial behaviour and policing both nationally and locally. * Industrial strategy as it affects North Wales. * Devolved government cooperation. * Railways Bill discussions, including improvements to rail services and cross-border cooperation that could benefit Wrexham. **Westminster Hall & Committee Contributions**

	* Spoke on Careers Education & Social Mobility in a Westminster Hall debate, emphasising the importance of careers guidance in improving opportunity for young people. * Participated in bill committee work (e.g., Licensing Hours Extensions Bill). **Topical Questions & PMQs** * Used Prime Minister's Questions to raise local economic development, such as the Wrexham & Flintshire Investment Zone and job creation. **Key Themes in His Speaking** **Local Economic & Infrastructure Issues** * Railways and transport connectivity for North Wales. * North Wales economic growth, including the Investment Zone. **Community & Social Matters** * Antisocial behaviour and local safety concerns. * Social mobility and careers support for young people. **National Policy with Local Impact** * Industrial strategy and support for Welsh industry/businesses. * Debates on football, local heritage and community cohesion have also featured in his maiden speech and other remarks. **Volume & Frequency** According to the *UK Parliament contributions list*, Andrew Ranger's spoken contributions include: * Multiple speeches, questions and supplementary questions across different sittings in 2025–2026. * Contributions span Commons Chamber debates, Westminster Hall debates, questions to ministers, and Public Bill Committee interventions.

Travel Links

Type of Transport	Information
Nearest Train Stations 	* Wrexham General – Approx. 2.3 miles away (about 5–10 min drive). This is the nearest major station with frequent services to Chester, Cardiff, Birmingham and others. * Wrexham Central – Approx. 2.6 miles away (about 5–10 min drive). A slightly smaller station with local services. * Gwersyllt – Approx. 2.2–2.8 miles away. Good for local travel on the Borderlands Line.
Bus Links **Nearby Bus Stops (walkable)**	* 11 / 11A — Wrexham ↔ Minera via Coed Poeth Runs between Wrexham Bus Station and Minera, passing through Coed Poeth (including stops near Heol Llewelyn). * T51 — Rhyl / Denbigh ↔ Wrexham via Coed Poeth * 11 / 11A and PC1 * 11 / 11A (Wrexham ↔ Minera * PC1 (Southsea ↔ Llay Industrial Estate)** — not always hourly but serves local connections. * Coedpoeth New Road (o/s 4) – serves 11, 11A, X51 buses. * Coedpoeth, after Cross Foxes (High Street) – serves 11, PC1, T51. * Coedpoeth, after The Paddocks (Heol Maelor) – serves 11, 11A, T51 buses. According to local data, bus stops near New Road or High Street are typically within a ~10–15 min walk from most parts of Coed Poeth.
Airports 	Liverpool John Lennon Airport (LPL) – Nearest major commercial airport * About ~33–38 miles (53–61 km) from Wrexham — around 40–60 min by car. * Offers a wide range of UK and European flights. Manchester Airport (MAN) – Nearest large international hub * About ~46–59 miles (74–95 km) — roughly 1 hour by car.

	* Major airport with extensive domestic and international flight options.
Taxi Services	Cottage Cars Private Hire Taxi High St, Coedpoeth, Wrexham LL11 3PT 01978 759602 Silverline Taxis 17 Heol Cadfan, Coedpoeth, Wrexham LL11 3HH 01978 751992 Apollo Taxis Apollo House, Unit 1 Charles St, Wrexham LL13 8BT 01978 262626 (24/7) Wrexham Prestige Taxis The Mitre Buildings, Brewery Place, Brook St, Wrexham LL13 7LU 01978 357777 Reliable taxi service, good for airport transfers 15A King St, Wrexham LL11 1HF 01978 286286 A1 Cars 29 Darby Rd, Brynteg, Wrexham LL11 6LW 01978 750000

Education

Primary Schools	
Ysgol Penygelli School	Coedpoeth primary school 01978 722160
Ysgol Bryn Tabor	Coedpoeth (Welsh language) primary. 01978 722180
Ysgol Tanyfron	Primary School (English-medium) 01978 758118
Minera	Primary School 01978 269500
Secondary Schools	
Ysgol Clywedog	Ruthin Road, Wrexham, LL13 7UB 01978 346800
Ysgol Bryn Alyn (Gwersyllt)	Church Street,

	Gwersyllt, Wrexham. LL11 4HD 01978 720700
Rhosnesni High School	Rhosnesni Lane, Wrexham, LL13 9ET 01978 340840
Ysgol Rhiwabon (Ruabon)	Pont Adam, Ruabon, Wrexham, LL14 6BT 01978 822392
Colleges	
Coleg Cambria - Yale	Grove Park Road, Wrexham LL12 7AB 0300 30 30 007
Bersham Road, Wrexham, LL13 7UH, United Kingdom	Bersham Road, Wrexham, LL13 7UH, 0300 30 30 007

Health

Doctors	
Bryn Darland Surgery	53High Street, Coedpoeth, Wrexham LL11 3SA 01978 720285
Caritas Surgery	Smithy Rd, Coedpoeth, Wrexham LL11 3NS 01978 720450
The Clinic - Coedpoeth	Smithy Rd, Coedpoeth, Wrexham

	LL11 3NS 01978 720011
Dentists	
Dant Y Coed Dental Practice 1 & 2 Maelor Buildings, Heol Maelor,	1 & 2 Maelor Buildings, Heol Maelor, Coedpoeth, Wrexham, LL11 3NG 01978 759 876
Hospitals	
Wrexham Maelor Hospital	Croesnewydd Road, Wrexham, LL13 7TD, United Kingdom Phone: 01978 291100 NHS 24-hour non-emergency advice: 111 (NHS 111 Wales)
Chirk Community Hospital	Weston Road, Chirk, Wrexham LL14 5RW 01691 77633
Opticians	
Vision Express	31 High Street, Wrexham LL11 1AT 01978 265550
Specsavers	22–23 Regent Street, Wrexham LL11 1PF 01978 265926
Defibrillator	
Community Defibrillator	General Station, Wrexham, LL11 2AA
Community Defibrillator	21 Egerton Street, Wrexham, LL11 1ND

Amenities

Local Supermarkets	
Tesco Express	27 High Street, Coedpoeth, Wrexham LL11 3SA 01978 720203
Asda	Island Green Retail Park Wrexham LL13 8TP 01978 363141
Morrisons	Queensway, Wrexham LL13 8BB 01978 355000
Lidl	29 Rhosddu Rd, Wrexham LL11 1NP 01978 353798
Aldi	56 Queensway, Wrexham LL13 8AD 01978 355012

Local Places of Worship

Place of Worship	Address
Christian Churches	St. Tudfil's Church Church Street, Coedpoeth, Wrexham LL11 3PA 01978 720358
Coedpoeth Methodist Church Rhosddu Road / Church Street, Coedpoeth, Wrexham LL11 3PX	Rhosddu Road / Church Street, Coedpoeth, Wrexham LL11 3PX

	01978 720100
Salem Chapel (Welsh Baptist)	High Street, Coedpoeth, Wrexham LL11 3SA

Hotels, hostels and bed and breakfasts

Hotels	
Premier Inn Wrexham City Centre	9 Yorke Street, Wrexham LL11 1DU 0333 321 9111
Wynnstay Arms Hotel	41 Yorke Street, Wrexham LL11 1DU 01978 355461
Woodhey Guest House	10 Grosvenor Road, Wrexham LL11 1NN 01978 263478
The Lemon Tree Restaurant With Rooms	5 St. Giles Street, Wrexham LL11 1AB 01978 262012

Risks to YP within the local area

Risk	Details
CSE in the local area	There are no recent local reports specifically about Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) *in Coed Poeth itself* in publicly available news sources or police press releases at the moment. Searches of local news outlets did not turn up any

	confirmed CSE cases reported in Coed Poeth in the past year. All staff will be trained in CSE on induction into the home and further, specialist training will be sought should a young person come to Heol Llewelyn whereby this is a concern. Risk and behaviour management plans will be utilised to further safeguard the young person. These will be passed by the homes manager and continually monitored.
Bridges	There are bridges at a few locations near Heol Llewelyn. These include Nant and Caeau Bridge as well as minor road crossings and footpath bridges over the Clywedog and small tributaries within Coedpoeth and into Plas Power Wood Risk will be individually assessed according to the needs, age and vulnerabilities of each young person. Risk and behaviour management plans are continually monitored and updated.
Water	Again, risk will be individually assessed according to the needs, age and vulnerabilities of each young person. Risk and behaviour management plans are continually monitored and updated. All young people will be educated around water safety, dependant on their age and needs, will be supervised when visiting any areas of open water.
Gangs	There are no police reports or credible news articles that describe Coedpoeth as having ongoing gang activity Risk will be managed using a robust and thorough formulation and matching process for any young person transitioning to Heol Llewelyn, in collaboration with our Clinical Psychologist and other relevant professionals. An impact risk assessment will be completed, and a decision will be made as to whether Heol Llewelyn, is an appropriate placement for the young person and if so, risk will be individually assessed according to the needs, age and

	vulnerabilities of each young person. Risk and behaviour management plans are continually monitored and updated. Management at Heol Llewelyn, will strive to form and maintain relationships with local authorities and PCSO's and share information. All the below have been contacted. **PSCO's in the area:** Stephen Howsam 07890 968052 stephen.howsam@northwales.police.uk Lowri Jones 07814 075615 lowri.jones5@northwales.police.uk **Inspector:** Stefan Lederle **Missing Persons SGT-** All staff will be trained in safeguarding children and young people as well as PREVENT on induction to the home.
Neighbours	
Building works	There is no current major building works happening in the immediate area.
Main Roads	All young people will be educated on road safety via THiNK on the government website (THINK! – Road safety). Risk will be individually assessed according to the needs, age and vulnerabilities of each young person. Risk and behaviour management plans are continually monitored and updated

	and appropriate measures put in place. For example, using the pelican crossing with staff, with staff observation or using the pelican crossing unsupervised.

Crime

Heol Llewelyn management have links with the community policing team (Hub One) to work closely with them, local authorities, organisations, partners other residents to determine policing priorities. We encourage ad hoc visits to the home to encourage positive relationships between police/Community beat officers and our young people.

Top Reported Crimes in the area of Heol Llewelyn

Crime	Definition	Prevention advice	In house action
Harassment	Where persistent threatening or abusing behaviour is directed at a person	Restrict your social media posts to friends and not public. Check privacy settings and limit the amount of information you supply Google yourself frequently to check your digital footprint Don't use the same password for everything Be aware of geolocation and tagging on social media and disable on smartphone Keep anti virus software up to date Report stalking to website administrators	Ad Hoc checks completed by staff on digital devices and social media if there is a cause for concern Internet safety to be provided to all young people Any crime of stalking or harassment to be reported to the police Victim support to be provided in house and externally. Helpline: 08081689111 Our own young people have individual risk assessments completed and tailored to their needs and behaviours insuring clear and consistent boundaries and expectations. Appropriate 1-1 time to enhance relationships and

		If you believe your smartphone or computer has been hacked or compromised, stop using it immediately and take it to repair experts for advice. Answering the phone Don't answer the phone with your name or address If caller is unknown, avoid answering questions about yourself	increase feelings of safety with robust monitoring and reporting.
Vandalism (Most common in this area is damage to a motor vehicle)	Where property is intentionally destroyed or damaged, not necessarily to gain entry to premises or vehicle	Park in well-used and brighter locations Hide personal belongings away, out of sight Protect your windows Pick your car park carefully Secure your property and do not leave items on show in gardens/yards	Staff and visitors to park in a well-used and brighter lit areas such as roadside outside of property Staff and visitors to not leave personal belongings such as phones, laptops, sat navs, handbags or clothing in their own or company vehicle Double check central locking has activated when leaving the vehicle Never leave the car with the engine running Where possible, staff and visitors to use 'Park Mark' sites for parking. CCTV in the form of a Ring door bell could be installed outside the property as a preventative measure

			External doors to be secured throughout the day and evening, double locked at night. High fence and gate at the back of the property Our own young people have individual risk assessments completed and tailored to their needs and behaviours insuring clear and consistent boundaries and expectations. Appropriate 1-1 time to enhance relationships and increase feelings of safety with robust monitoring and reporting.

Other Services for Young People in the Local Area

Service	Name and Position	Address	Telephone/Email
Wrexham Social Services	Rhian Thomas Senior Head of Children's Services	Rhosddu Road, Wrexham, LL11 1AU	01978 292000 (switchboard)
CAMHS		Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board Plas Acton, Acton Park Road, Wrexham, LL13 7YP	03000 848 241
Youth Justice Services		Unit 21 Whitegate Industrial Estate Caia Park Wrexham LL13 8UG	01978 298739 youthjusticeservice@wrexham.gov.uk
Children in care council	Wrexham Young People's Care Council (Children in Care Council)		01978 295372 or 07808 787777 youngpeoplescarecouncil@wrexham.gov.uk

Children's Social Care / Participation Team			01978 298374 — Participation Team youngvoices@wrexham.gov.uk
Coedpoeth Youth Work Session		Coedpoeth Youth Centre LL11 3RU	youthservice@wrexham.gov.uk play@wrexham.gov.uk
Wrexham District Scouts	Kaz Williams	Station Approach, Wrexham, LL11 2AA	07835 870151 kazwilliams@msn.com
Wrexham gymnastic club		Queensway Sports Centre, Queensway, Wrexham LL13 8UH,	01978 355826
Local Girl guide Contact Point Girl Guide Hut		Station Approach, Wrexham, LL11 2AA	01978 840895
Local Youth Support & LGBTQ-Friendly Contact		Lambpit Street, Wrexham, Wales, LL11 1AR	01978 295600 infoshop@wrexham.gov.uk

Further Risk Management Considerations

Risk	Who's at Risk	Control Measures	Further Control Measure	RAG Rating
Education	-Young People -School Staff -Members of the public	-Choice of schools and further education available in close proximity and appropriate to various needs -Schools in close proximity rated at least 'Good' in inspection -Trained and appropriate school staff	-Company vehicle available if needed for school further afield as well as the option of public transport if appropriate. - Good relationships and regular liaisons between school staff and Heol Llewelyn staff. - Heol Llewelyn staff available to support with homework and all young people have access to a house laptop for the completion of this. -Staff ensure the correct education uniform and	L1

			consumables are provided. - Heol Llewelyn to attend any PEP, Planning and LAC meetings, parents evenings and sports day events if appropriate. -Any concerns of bullying or behavioural concerns would be dealt with appropriately following our behaviour and anti bullying policies	
Health	-Young People -Staff -Members of the Public	-All appropriate health professionals are within a close proximity of the home	-All young people to be registered with relevant health professionals upon placement -Young people already registered within the county are able to maintain the same establishments if appropriate and staff can transport to appointments if required -Young people will be encourage to attend all routine check up's and additional when required -Prescriptions order and kept up to date with by Heol Llewelyn staff -Any required medication is administered and recorded by Heol Llewelyn Staff	L1
Travel	-Young People -Transport Staff -Members of the public	- Wide range of travel Links available and accessible -Public transport stations are staffed appropriately -CCTV on and around public transport	- Heol Llewelyn staff to ensure large amounts of money are not provided to young people at any one time unless spend is being supervised	M6

			-Bus passes to be provided where needed and appropriate although for travel only within allocated areas within a vicinity agreed by local authority and young person -Young people working towards independent travel can do so with a gradual transition alongside staff - Heol Llewelyn staff always available to collect via company vehicle if required. -Young people to have individual risk assessments around public transport if required and include protocols and procedures involving late returns or absconding behaviours. - Heol Llewelyn staff trained and young people educated around the subject of county lines.	
Community	-Young People -Members of the public	- Heol Llewelyn staff involved and integrated into the local community - Heol Llewelyn young people to be encouraged and supported to attend clubs/hobbies in the community	- Heol Llewelyn staff to ensure they are carrying a works mobile so that they can contact colleagues if they lone working. -Engage young people in activities of a physical nature to release endorphins. -If unsupervised time out in the community is appropriate, agreed times, expectations and boundaries to be agreed with young person. -Regular 1-1 sessions with Heol Llewelyn staff for young people	L2

			to discuss their thoughts and feelings. - Heol Llewelyn staff to monitor behaviours on behaviour monitoring. -Any concerns to be discussed with homes manager and link worker. -Supportive, consistent and validating living environment. - Heol Llewelyn staff to help young people develop effective coping strategies and increased feelings of safety and self-worth. -All Heol Llewelyn staff are First Aid trained. - Young people to have individual risk assessments around public transport if required and include protocols and procedures involving late returns or absconding behaviours. - Heol Llewelyn staff to use appropriate CSI techniques- Physical interventions to only be used as a last resort if young person is putting themselves or others in danger.	
Crime	-Young People -Staff members -Members of the public	- Heol Llewelyn management have links with the community policing team (Hub One) to work closely with them, local authorities, organisations, partners other residents to	-Ad Hoc checks completed by staff on digital devices and social media if there is a cause for concern -Internet safety to be provided to all young people -Any criminal activity to be reported to the police	M6

		determine policing priorities. -We encourage ad hoc visits to the home to encourage positive relationships between police/Community beat officers and our young people. - Heol Llewelyn nd Coed Poeth is NOT considered to be a 'crime hotspot'.	-Victim support to be provided in house and externally. Helpline: 08081689111 -Staff and visitors to park in a well-used and brighter lit areas such as roadside outside of property -Staff and visitors to not leave personal belongings such as phones, laptops, sat navs, handbags or clothing in their own or company vehicle -Double check central locking has activated when leaving the vehicle -Never leave the car with the engine running or a young person unsupervised inside -Where possible, staff and visitors to use 'Park Mark' sites for parking. -External doors to be secured throughout the day and evening, double locked at night. -Our own young people have individual risk assessments completed and tailored to their needs and behaviours insuring clear and consistent boundaries and expectations. -Appropriate 1-1 time to enhance relationships and increase feelings of safety with robust monitoring and reporting.	

Summary

34 Heol Llewelyn sits in the village of Coedpoeth, just north of Wrexham city centre. Coedpoeth is primarily a residential, suburban village with local amenities, schools, and good transport links to Wrexham and surrounding towns. The village is known for its countryside location and community feel rather than urban density.
With any area or community there poses a risk dependant on individual young people although in Heol Llewelyn, we are confident that our thorough matching and formulation planning of referrals will enable us to create a robust individual risk assessment for each young person, allowing there to be positive risk taking in the form of activities and a 'holding' of risk as opposed to abolishing. This creates social skills, confidence, self-worth and resilience whilst educating to enhance feelings of trust in the positive adults supporting them, safety and awareness of the external risks that may be present.

In relation to the risk assessing criteria above, a moderate difference exists between the effectiveness of the response currently in place and operating to manage the risk and the manager/teams view of what should be in place and therefore rates the control effectiveness as 'Fair' and the overall risk of the location as Low is insignificant or Manageable as a provider.

Evidence of Review

Planned Review	
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Appendix

Risk Assessment – Assessment Criteria and the Risk Matrix

Risk assessment criteria

Risk can be assessed against two criteria – how much of an **impact** the risk would have if it happened and what the **likelihood** is of the risk happening. These criteria are defined as follows:

Impact Description Table

Score	Description
Insignificant **1**	**The risk if it occurs may either:** Not use Bliss Care and Support resources (time, energy, materials or money) **or,** It will not deny Bliss Care and Support the opportunity to add to or enhance its resources and /or the services it delivers will not detract from achievement of the applicable business plan or strategy.
Manageable **2**	**The risk if it occurs will either:**

	Not use Bliss Care and Support resources (time, energy, materials or money) **or**, It will not deny Bliss Care and Support the opportunity to add to or enhance its resources and /or the services it delivers will not detract from achievement of the applicable business plan or strategy.
Major **3**	**The risk if it occurs will either:** May require the unplanned use of Bliss Care and Support resources (time, energy, materials or money), that were not allocated for the purpose **or**, It may deny Bliss Care and Support the opportunity to add to or enhance its resources and/or the services it delivers may detract from achievement of the applicable business plan or strategy.
Significant **4**	**The risk if it occurs will either:** Would require the unplanned use of Bliss Care and Support resources (time, energy, materials or money), that were not allocated for the purpose **or**, It may deny Bliss Care and Support the opportunity to add to or enhance its resources and/or the services it delivers would detract from achieving the applicable business plan or strategy.
Critical **5**	**The risk if it occurs will either:** Require the unplanned use of Bliss Care and Support resources of time, energy, materials or money that were not allocated for the purpose, **and/or**, Deny to Bliss Care and Support the opportunity to add to or enhance its resources and/or the services it delivers that will significantly impede the overall achievement of the applicable business plan and significantly impact achievement of other business plans or strategies.

Likelihood Description Table

Description	Risk Likelihood Description

Remote **1**	Event could occur at some time
Unlikely **2**	Event may Occur at some time
Possible **3**	Event should occur at some time
Likely **4**	Event is going to occur
Expected **5**	Event will occur imminently

The Risk Assessment Matrix

Once the risk has been assessed against the **impact** and **likelihood** criteria then it can be 'scored' by placing the risk on the matrix below and calculating its 'score' (i.e. likelihood **x** impact).

IMPACT	REMOTE	UNLIKELY	POSSIBLE	LIKELY	EXPECTED
CRITICAL	**M (5)**	**M (10)**	**H (15)**	**H (20)**	**H (25)**
SIGNIFICANT	**L (4)**	**M (8)**	**H (12)**	**H (16)**	**H (20)**
MAJOR	**L (3)**	**M(6)**	**M (9)**	**H (12)**	**H (15)**
MANAGABLE	**L (2)**	**L(4)**	**M(6)**	**M (8)**	**M (10)**
INSIGNIFICANT	**L (1)**	**L(2)**	**L(3)**	**L (4)**	**M (5)**

LIKELIHOOD

H=High Risk M=Medium Risk L=Low Risk

The above diagram demonstrates how risks are prioritised. The risk grid is segmented into 25 sections (based on the likelihood and impact criteria defined above) which are assigned traffic light (RAG) colours as outlined below:

Red Risks within the section require immediate management attention to consider what action should be taken to deal with the risk, either by implementing risk mitigation measures, or removing the source of the risk.

Amber Risks within the section require management to either accept and regularly monitor the risk, or consider further risk mitigating actions.

Green Risks within the section require no additional management action, but they should be regularly monitored to ensure that action can be taken if the risk changes adversely.

Gross Risk v Net Risk

In assessing the true position of the risk it is necessary to consider what is currently being done to reduce the likelihood and impact of the risk. This enables the 'gross' and 'net' position of the risk to be assessed, which is defined below:

Gross risk – without the effect of existing controls

Net risk – with the effect of existing controls

Resources can then be allocated to manage the most critical risks to the company more effectively.

In order to assess the 'gross' risk, consideration should be given to how likely it would be to happen, and the impact it would have, if nothing was done to control the risk.

Consideration should then be given to how effective the existing controls are (see next section), and in light of this, re-score the likelihood of the risk happening and the impact it would have. This would establish the 'net' risk.

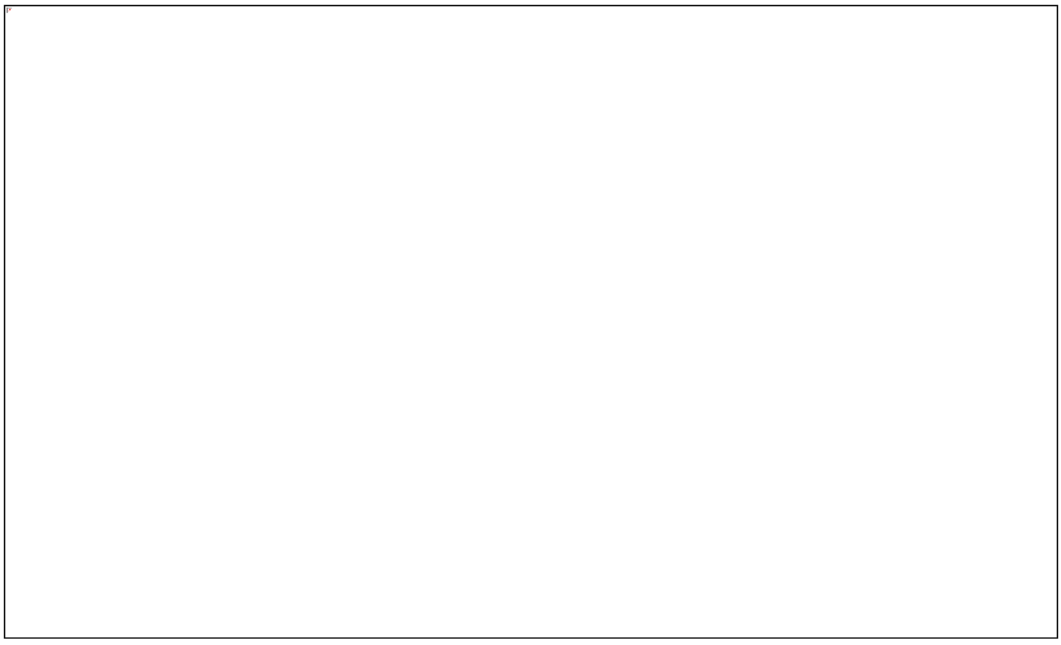
Control Effectiveness

Effective control - is present when management directs actions and resources in a manner to provide reasonable assurance that the company's objectives and targets will be achieved i.e.the level of net risk is acceptable

Description	Description of Control Effectiveness
Weak	A significant difference exists between the effectiveness of the response currently in place and operating to manage the risk and the manager/teams view of what should be in place
Fair	A moderate difference exists between the effectiveness of the response currently in place and operating to manage the risk and the manager/teams view of what should be in place
Strong	The manager/team considers that the response in place to manage the risk operates reasonably effectively

Illustration of Gross And Net Risk

The diagram below illustrates the relative ratings for a number of risks, comparing the gross rating (i.e. without controls) against their net rating (i.e. taking account of existing controls and their effectiveness). The diagram highlights the following in respect to the risks identified:



Risk 1 and 6 still remain critical to the organisation after the consideration of controls and management needs to consider whether they are willing to tolerate that risk or whether further action is required to reduce the risk

Risk 2, 4 and 5 were initially critical but after consideration of current controls have been reduced to a level where management should continue to monitor the effectiveness of controls and/or consider whether further action can be taken to reduce the risk

Risk 3 is being managed to an acceptable level but management should continue to monitor the effectiveness of the controls