



**NORTH YORKSHIRE  
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**



# **North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service – Risk Register Reporting March 2026**

## **1.0 Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the Independent Audit Committee (IAC) with an update on the content of the Corporate Risk Register for North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service (NYFRS).

## **2.0 Risk Register Overview**

- 2.1 Risk and Assurance Board (RAB) convened on 3 February 2026 and considered the Risk Register. A report is also provided to the Strategic Oversight Board monthly, with the last report on 24 February 2026. A series of check and challenge discussions at Risk and Assurance Board meetings continues, with most risks subject to at least one check and challenge discussion and an ongoing timetable in place.
- 2.2 Work is underway to transition to a new risk management system. This will significantly improve ease of access to the risk management system for NYFRS staff.
- 2.3 Work is also underway to refresh the Services' Risk Management Framework, with a revised draft due for discussion and approval at the next Risk and Assurance Board meeting in April 2026.

## **2.4 Strategic Risk Register:**

2.4.1 There are currently 13 live entries listed as:

- 4 red
- 6 amber
- 3 green

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Risk ID	Risk Title	Current Score	Residual Score
8502	Unable to effectively manage Cyber risk	16	9
9698	Provision of business-critical financial management capability	15	11
8494	Failure to ensure effective financial control and financial planning processes.	15	13
8496	Legal Compliance - CAFRA / NYFRS acts unlawfully resulting in litigation or regulatory action	14	13
8498	NYFRS fails to develop Organisational Resilience which impacts on the ability to effectively deliver our statutory duties and/or our priorities set out within the CRMP	13	10
8499	NYFRS fails to meet its strategic sustainability ambitions and legal requirements imposed through Environmental legislation or regulation	13	10
9718	Severe Workforce Shortfall in Joint Transport & Logistics Hub Impacting Operational Delivery	13	6
8497	NYFRS fail to adhere to relevant statutory guidance and practices in relation to Health and Safety which places officers, staff and the public at risk.	11	9
8585	Insufficient staff available to fulfil statutory responsibilities due to Industrial Action	11	10
8503	Physical security of fire stations and assets	13	6
8658	Organisational Safeguarding Compliance	10	6
9724	Recruitment and retention at strategic level within the Service	8	5
8495	People - Ineffective workforce planning results in loss of key skills and resources at all levels of the organisation.	3	3

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2.4.2 Further information is included below for risks currently graded as red:

### 2.4.2.1 Risk 8502 - Unable to effectively manage Cyber risk:

Additional mitigating actions are currently being implemented following an increase in the likelihood score of this risk at the last review.

### 2.4.2.2 Risk 9698 - Provision of business-critical financial management capability

A further review is planned for March, once resourcing arrangements for the Assistant Section 73 Officer from April 2026 are finalised.

### 2.4.2.3 Risk 8494 - Failure to ensure effective financial control and financial planning processes

A further review is planned for March, to take account of the impact of the final national funding formula, local precept setting and the progress with implementing a new financial management system for the Service.

### 2.4.2.4 Risk 8496 - Legal Compliance – CAFRA/NYFRS acts unlawfully resulting in litigation or regulatory action

Following ongoing review and a check and challenge discussion at the February RAB meeting, this risk remains stable but high-scoring due to the potential impact if realised.

## 3.0 Next Steps

3.1 Risk and Assurance Board will continue to work through the check and challenge schedule to hold in depth discussions on individual risks.

### Report Overview

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