

York Community Woodland Risk Log					
Ref.	Date identified	Risk	Probability High/Medium/Low	Potential Impact	How will this risk be mitigated
1	01/10/2020	Delay in recruiting to the project team	Low	Significant	This risk will be mitigated by seconding exiting staff with relevant skills into these posts and/or immediate recruitment through the Work with York talent pool. <a href="#">WwY recruitment is frozen!</a>
2	12/10/2020	Failure to secure the active engagement and support of local partners and internal (CYC) teams necessary to deliver the project and fully realise strategic opportunities/potential	Medium	Medium	<p>Covid-19 has had a huge impact on public finances and forced new ways of working that many are still getting used to. This could impact on local partners' ability to actively engage in the project. Initial project design will ensure partners clearly see the benefits of engagement to their own organisational objectives and partner involvement will be kept as light touch as possible</p> <p>Similarly CYC teams could also be feeling restricted. Senior managers will need to ensure they fully support and enable active participation from their staff when setting work plans and priorities regular meetings with actions/accountability</p>
3	12/10/2020	Failure to secure local and wider community/stakeholder support for the project	Low		We will mitigate this risk through early consultation and engagement with residents/stakeholder groups, providing opportunity to shape the project's vision and key objectives using a variety of engagement approaches. Ongoing engagement will ensure opportunities to shape all stages of woodland design and development that will ensure a woodland fully 'owned' and valued by local residents.
4	12/10/2020	Site surveys (including archaeological) identify significant barriers/impediments to realising the outline vision or to meeting FC regulatory/UKFS/EIA requirements	MEDIUM	Significant	<p>We have already begun to mitigate this risk through due diligence when purchasing the land, including a contaminated site survey and obtaining professional advice on the suitability of the site for the intended purpose.</p> <p>The project delivery group will seek to mitigate any issues identified during the site surveys to satisfy FC requirements and build on the opportunities provided</p> <p>A flexible approach to site development through the master planning process will ensure woodland design works in line with site conditions.</p>
5	12/10/2020	Failure to secure sufficient funds required to deliver the vision	Low	Significant	Budget Council February 2020 agreed a £3m Northern Forest budget and some of this has been/is being utilised to fund land purchase. There are sufficient funds remaining to support woodland design and creation, though the intention is to fully exploit external funding opportunities in the first instance as and when they arise. A number of funding bids have already being made and the outcomes awaited.
6	27/08/2020	Value of property may decrease over time	Low		All property investments come with a risk that the value of the asset may decrease over time. However, the reason for purchase is a long term commitment to carbon mitigation, enhancement of the natural environment and amenity for residents and visitors to York, so it is envisaged the council will hold onto this asset for the foreseeable future.
7	27/08/2020	The land remains vacant until such time as it can be planted	Low		To mitigate this risk it is proposed that short term leases be granted on the land to enable it to be farmed in the short term until such time as it can be planted. Lease already granted at £18k/yr
8	19/10/2020	Possible supply chain constraint – Trees	High	Significant	Early advice and discussions with key partners and industry experts including Forestry Commission and White Riose Forest. Early conversations with suppliers.

9	19/10/2020	Possible supply chain constraint – Materials for site infrastructure i.e. Tarmac	Medium		tbc
10	04/11/2020	Need for CYC Planning permission to install site infrastructure like footpaths, cycle routes and any new buildings	Low		Shaun Gibbons to speak with CYC Planning colleagues about timing - i.e concept design stage / Site brief/specification / Detailed site design and masterplan?