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| **Scale** | **Description** | **Guidance** |  |
| 5 | Almost certain | An underlying cause with a greater than 9 in 10 chance of it triggering the risk event to occur during the period under consideration. | > 90% |
| 4 | Probable | An underlying cause with a greater than even chance of it triggering the risk event to occur during the period under consideration. | > 50 % but  < 90% |
| 3 | Possible | An underlying cause with a greater than 1 in 10 chance of it triggering the risk event to occur during the period under consideration. | > 10 % but  < 50% |
| 2 | Remote | An underlying cause with a greater than 1 in 100 chance of it triggering the risk event to occur during the period under consideration. | > 1 % but  < 10% |
| 1 | Improbable | An underlying cause which is so unlikely to trigger the risk event that it can be assumed that it may never occur. | < 90% |