

Governance, Audit and Scrutiny Committee
15 September 2014

Report by the Director of Operations
(South)

HEALTH AND SAFETY QUARTERLY REPORT 1st QUARTER 2014/15

REPORT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is the 1st Quarter 2014/15 report on Health and Safety. It includes details of Health and Safety courses, incident statistics and ongoing issues at Appendix 1.

Since the introduction of the new H&S electronic reporting system (RIVO), in 2013, greater analysis of data is now possible, with additional areas such as road risk now being captured and consequently fully investigated.

There has been an increase in 'near miss' reporting compared to the same period in 2013; up by an additional 10. This should be seen as a positive outcome and it is envisaged that this figure will increase following further guidance and tuition to staff from the Health and Safety Section.

The Health and Safety Section in conjunction with the Health and Safety Laboratories (HSL) have developed a cultural survey for all staff to complete between July and September; the findings of this survey will be reported back at a later date.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Committee considers this report and makes any recommendations to the Fire Authority as it deems appropriate.

BACKGROUND

2. The Health and Safety management system was replaced in 2013 by the Rivo Safeguard system. The system now generates reports for CMT and also more data is being captured that allows greater analysis work to be carried out.
3. The Health and Safety team are also looking to include a section within the report that covers environmental issues.
4. The report has been submitted to this Committee so that Members can provide an additional level of scrutiny to the information provided within it, and make any recommendations to the Fire Authority as deemed appropriate.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPATIBILITY

5. The monitoring of Health and Safety information is a key part of the management of Strategic Objective 5 – “continuing to develop a committed, skilled and safe workforce.”

FINANCIAL/RESOURCES/VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

6. None.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7. None.

EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT/HR IMPLICATIONS

8. None.

CORPORATE RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

9. None.

HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

10. This report provides the opportunity for an additional level of scrutiny of Health and Safety information.

COMMUNICATION ACTIONS ARISING

11. None.

DETAILS OF CONSULTATION

12. None.

BACKGROUND PAPERS AVAILABLE FOR ACCESS

13. Health and Safety Policy Statement SP 10_1.

RECOMMENDATIONS RESTATED

14. That the Committee considers this report and makes any recommendations to the Fire Authority as it deems appropriate.

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