CORPORATE SAFETY COMMITTEE - 10TH JULY 2003

SUBJECT: ACCIDENT STATISTICS

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF THE ENVIRONMENT

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Members, Management and Trade Union Safety Representatives, of the numbers and types of industrial accidents which have occurred to staff of Caerphilly County Borough Council during the period 1st January 2003 to 31st March 2003. The statistics are compared with the figures for this comparable period in 2001 – 2002.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrence Regulations 1995 require accidents which arise as a result of, or in connection with, work to be categorised as follows and reported to the Health and Safety Executive (HSE):-
 - Fatal Accidents
 - Major injury accidents which include fracture of the skull, spine or pelvis, fracture of any bone in arm/wrist, leg/ankle, amputation of a limb, finger, thumb or toe, loss of sight of any eye or admission to hospital for more than twenty-four hours.
 - Accidents which result in more than three consecutive days absence
- 2.2 In addition, if either of the following types of accident occur they too are reportable to the Enforcing Authority.
 - Actual physical violence which results in any of the above
 - An accident to a person not employed by the Authority, who is taken directly to hospital
 following an accident which occurs as a direct result of, in connection with, or arises out
 of the work activity.
- 2.3 The term 'all injury' accidents refers to any accident not included in 2.1 or 2.2 and is not reportable to the Health and Safety Executive. Most of these accidents result in minor injuries. Accidents in this classification are reported to the Corporate Safety \unit only if they affect:-
 - Employees whilst they are at work
 - Pupils, clients and members of the public who are injured as a result of work activity whilst they are on Council premises or using the facilities
 - Any persons who are injured as a result of any work activity carried out by or for the Authority

3. ACCIDENT STATISTICS

- 3.1 The incident analysis form splits the type of accidents into three categories:
 - Nature of injury
 - Part of the body injured
 - Accident type
- 3.2 A summary of the accident statistics is shown graphically.
 - ➤ Appendix 1(1) Social Services
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4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 Members are asked to note the contents of this report

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Social Services

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