



CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE - 12TH JANUARY 2005

SUBJECT: DRAFT LATEX POLICY

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 draft policy on latex.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The HSE has written to all Local authorities requesting details of their policy and arrangements for ensuring that employees do not suffer sensitisation and ill-health as a result of working with latex products and in particular latex gloves.
- 2.2 The Corporate Health and Safety unit has prepared a draft policy on latex and a copy of the draft is attached in appendix 1.
- 2.3 The policy is required to ensure that we meet our legal responsibilities under the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002 and to prevent any criminal or civil claims.
- 2.4 The relevant Directorate Health and Safety Officers, Occupational Health Nurse and Managers have been consulted on the contents of the draft policy.

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 That the contents approved and implemented across the Authority immediately.

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