AGENDA ITEM NO. 4(3)



CORPORATE SAFETY COMMITTEE – 11TH JANUARY 2006

SUBJECT: HEALTH AND SAFETY LIAISON OFFICER GROUP

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 latest discussions that have taken place in the Health and Safety Liaison Officer Group.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Corporate Health and Safety Unit is responsible for developing corporate strategies and polices to facilitate the effective management of health and safety across the Authority.
- 2.2 Each Directorate takes responsibility for managing their own health and safety and employs a Senior Health and Safety Officer, and a Health and Safety Officer, to provide advice and support to Managers.
- 2.3 The Health and Safety Liaison Group consists of the Corporate Health and Safety Unit, Directorate Health and Safety Officers and Managers. The Group meets on a monthly basis. The purpose of the group is to ensure consistency of advice and interpretation of legislation, to share information and develop coherent cross directorate strategies, to effectively manage health and safety risks within the Authority.
- 2.4 The notes of a recent meeting, held on 16th November 2005, are attached, as Appendix 1 for your information. The next meeting will take place on 16th January 2006.

3. **RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 That the contents of the report be noted

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