

CORPORATE SAFETY COMMITTEE –**SUBJECT: PROPOSED ACCIDENT STATISTICS REPORT APRIL – JUNE 2007****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 work related accidents/incidents, which have occurred, during the period of April - June 2007

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 'non reportable' accident or incident, refers to any accident or incident that is not included in 2.1 or 2.2 and therefore 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 ore on the behalf of the Authority.

3. ACCIDENT STATISTICS

3.1 Appendix 1 provides details on all of the accidents that have been reported to Health and Safety between April and June 2007. These are categorised by accident type and by type of incident, e.g. non-reportable, over three days lost time or restricted duties and major injury.

3.2 Appendix 2 details the Reportable Accident Per Directorate April – June 2007

3.3 Appendix 3 – Reportable accident Comparison April- June 2006 Vs 2007

4. **RECOMMENDATION**

5.1 The Committee are asked to note the contents of this report.

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Appendix 1 - All accident categorised by Type for the Authority between April – June 2007

Years		Contact with moving machinery or material being machined	Hit by a moving, flying or falling object	Hit by something fixed or stationary	Slipped, tripped or fell on the same level	Injured while handling, lifting or carrying	Fall from height - Please indicate height in the description	Other	Injured by an animal	Physically assaulted by a person	Exposed to or in contact with a harmful substance	Other - Health Condition	Grand Total
Month	Accident Type												
2007													
Apr													
	<i>Lost time >3 days</i>	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
	<i>Non Reportable Accident / Incident</i>	2	6	3	19	7	1	4	1	7	3	0	53
	<i>Major Injury or Condition</i>	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	<i>Injury to Member of Public – Reportable under RIDDOR</i>	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
May													
	<i>Lost time >3 days</i>	0	1	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
	<i>Non Reportable Accident / Incident</i>	1	4	3	10	5	3	1	1	3	4	1	36
	<i>Injury to Member of Public – Reportable under RIDDOR</i>	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Jun													
	<i>Lost time >3 days</i>	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	<i>Non Reportable Accident / Incident</i>	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	5
	<i>Injury to Member of Public – Reportable under RIDDOR</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Grand Total		4	15	6	37	16	5	9	2	10	7	1	112

Appendix 2 – Reportable Accident Per Directorate April – June 2007

Directorate Of the Environment

Accident Ref Number	Accident Date	Injury Location	Injury Type	Reason Reportable	Details
21	2-Apr-2007	Finger	Cut or Laceration	Lost time >3 days	IP was moving a wash hand basin to a tiled floor when the basin fell on the floor, causing it to land on IP's finger. IP was advised to go to hospital and the rest for two weeks.
48	2-May-2007	Hand	Bruise/Contusion	Lost time >3 days	IP was carrying a concrete post with co-worker. IP subsequently tripped on some undergrowth causing the post to fall onto his right hand. IP returned to a depot, whereby IP's foreman took him to hospital. NB: Boots and overalls were worn.
284	11-May-2007	Knee	Other Known	Lost time >3 days	IP hurt left knee laying concrete due to prolonged kneeling down. NB: This was a re-occurrence of a pervious injury.
275	22-May-2007	Knee Arms	Superficial	Lost time >3 days	The IP was carrying a sink unit from a van to a house. However, the IP fell over a Sitex door (the metal strip above the doorstep) causing him to fall into the hallway and injure both knees and shoulder. NB: Sitex doors can be narrow.

Directorate of Education and Leisure

Accident Ref Number	Accident Date	Injury Location	Injury Type	Reason Reportable	Details
57	18-Apr-2007	Hand	Fracture	Major Injury	IP tripped on a clump of grass while running during a cricket match. IP fell on her left hand and bend her wrist.
157	30-Apr-2007	Ankle Injury	Strain/Sprain	Lost time >3 days	IP turned ankle over whilst walking through a corridor. The IP was helped to a medical room in a wheelchair by co-workers. IP was in some discomfort but felt able to drive home. IP visited the doctor on 01/05/07 and was advised to rest for three days.
291	10-Jun-2007	Back	Other Not Known	Lost time >3 days	The IP slipped on a changing room damp floor, this caused the IP to fall backwards and hit her head and back. IP was kept still on the floor while emergency services were called. IP head was fitted with a cervical collar and placed on a spinal board before she was taken to the Royal Gwent Hospital
255	11-Jun-2007	Face	Cut or Laceration	Lost time >3 days	The IP was in the process of changing some rotary cutting blades on a Trimax Stealth Rotary mowing machine. Although the IP was using the correct spanner to remove the nut and bolt which attach the cutting blade to the rotor arm, the IP claims that the tool slipped causing loss of balance and grip on rotor arm. This resulted in the rotor arm spinning around 180 degrees and lacerating the IP's forehead.

Directorate of Social Services

Accident Ref Number	Accident Date	Injury Location	Injury Type	Reason Reportable	Details
142	23-Apr-2007	Knee	Bruise/Contusion	Lost time >3 days	Whilst attempting to put a carrier bag in a client's bin, IP fell on a loose paving stone. A co-worker helped IP to their feet. Following a review of the Risk Assessment, the bin has now been moved nearer the patio doors. Consequently, the carer no longer needs to step outside to access the bin.

Directorate of Corporate Services

Accident Ref Number	Accident Date	Injury Location	Injury Type	Reason Reportable	Details
42	3-May-2007	Hand	Cut or Laceration	Lost time >3 days	IP was stabbed in the hand by a knife whilst trying to get cutlery out of a sink.
52	4-May-2007	Trunk Head Arms	Bruise/Contusion	Lost time >3 days	IP slipped while carrying a tin of creamed potatoes to hot cupboard.
190	30-May-2007	Finger	Cut or Laceration	Lost time >3 days	IP cut finger on blade of food slicer.

Appendix 3 – Reportable accident Comparison April- June 2006 Vs 2007

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