

CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE – 10TH OCTOBER 2007

SUBJECT: CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY RELOCATION

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 recent changes in health and safety reporting lines.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 On October 1st responsibility for the Corporate Health and Safety Unit transferred from Public Protection to Corporate Personnel. This means that the Corporate Health and Safety Unit will now report into Gareth Hardacre, Head of People Management.
- 2.2 Also on October 1st responsibility for the Environment Directorate Health and Safety Officers transferred from Environment Directorate Support Services to the Corporate Health and Safety Unit. This means that the Environment Directorate Health and Safety Officers will now report into Emma Townsend, Health and Safety Manager. This is a temporary arrangement, which will be reviewed in January 2008.
- 2.3 This is part of an ongoing review of the Authority's structure which considers how best to provide support and advisory services.
- 2.4 The relationship between the Corporate Health and Safety Unit and Directorate Health and Safety Officers will be subject to further review and consultation, with the intention of improving on the good work to date and improving health and safety standards across the Authority.

3. RECOMMENDATION

3.1 That the contents of the report be noted.

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