# **Reportable Accident Per Directorate January – March 2008**

#### **Directorate Of the Environment**

Accident Ref Number	Category	Accident Date	Injury Location	Injury Type	Reason Reportable	Details	Accident Investigation – Action taken
1885		5-Mar-2008	Hand	Bruise/Contusion	Lost time >3 days	Collecting refuse at St Andrews Drive, Highfields. Loaded bib ti bin lift, bin emptied and when bin came back down on lift, bin came off lift and I put out right hand to prevent bin from hitting me and injured right hand.	Vehicle in fitting shop having lifts checked.
1883		25-Feb-2008	Тое	Fracture	Lost time >3 days	While the 140l container was coming down on the automatic lifts, the operation stopped leaving the bin halfway down from floor level on seeing this I went to the controls to bring the lift down. I had one hand on the controls and one hand on the bin, the bin moving down fell over the lift (comb), landing on my left foot. The driver then phoned the office to report.	
1846		21-Feb-2008	Chest	Strain/Sprain	Lost time >3 days	Lifting large sealed unit window glass. Pulled chest muscle on left side 21/02/08. Went off sick 27/02/08 returned to work 10/03/08.	Low level investigation carried out, safe working methods found to be in place, please see notes attached.
1878		14-Feb-2008	Shoulder	Strain/Sprain	Lost time >3 days	Pulled shoulder whilst removing household goods out of the property	No further investigation required.
1848		11-Feb-2008	Finger & leg	Cut or Laceration and Bruise/Contusion	Lost time >3 days	Moving materials from under plasterboard and Andrew thinks his wrist gave way resulting in plasterboards moving and falling on him. Somehow this cut his finger and bruising to leg but cannot say what exactly as he was in a state of shock. Andrew was taken to A&E by foreman where he received stitches.	Low level investigation carried out, plasterboards were stored correctly, resting the full length against the wall and kept up from the ground by 75mmx50mm timbers to keep them dry from moisture, water etc. Andrew had chosen to try and remove or cut one of the timbers and must have pulled the plasterboards pivoting the weight to which they toppled on him causing the injury to his hand.

1926	4-Feb-2008	Knee	Strain/Sprain	Lost time >3 days	After carrying out wardrobe, placed wardrobe on the ground to change position on doing so the wardrobe door opened. I stepped off the kerb my foot went onto the door, causing me to slip and fall to the ground twisting right knee.	
1815	4-Feb-2008	Back	Strain/Sprain	Lost time >3 days	Injured back while lifting quarry tiles off floor in canteen staff toilets.	
1789	21-Jan-2008	Hand	Bruise/Contusion	Lost time >3 days	Fell up steps, carrying tools back to van. Hurt right hand had x-ray on Sunday not broken but severe bruising. Unable to grip right hand.	Geoff happened to trip over on steps which were uniformed. No further action required.
1882	18-Jan-2008	Back	Strain/Sprain	Lost time >3 days	Picked up lump of concrete which caused tear of muscle in back.	No further investigation required.

### **Directorate of Education and Leisure**

Accident Ref Number	Category	Accident Date	Injury Location	Injury Type	Reason Reportable	Details	Accident Investigation – Action taken
1892		4-Mar-2008	Hand	Bruise/Contusion	Lost time >3 days	A shelf in the cleaning cupboard came down on my left hand.	
1862		21-Feb-2008	Back & Leg	Strain/Sprain	Lost time >3 days	IP fell from work surface - as IP stepped off onto a stool, the top of which was not fixed on. IP was unable to get out of the car after she got home and was taken to A&E.	IP had climbed onto the work surface to change a display board. It was not necessary for her to have done so. The broken stool has been removed, however there was no evidence to suggest it was broken until she stepped on it, as it doesn't appear to have been broken when she climbed onto it to get onto the work surface. IP remained off work for 4 days, but said at the time that she had a heavy cold and conjunctivitis
1911		28-Jan-2008	Other Injury - unspecified	Strain/Sprain	Lost time >3 days	IP tripped on steps - there was a light bulb needing replacing at the entrance of the building. Sprained his groin.	Investigation on-going. Incident not reported at the time. Caretaker's hours must revert to start time of 6.30am. Light bulb that needed replacing did not actually illuminate the steps. Steps require painting.
1783		24-Jan-2008	Trunk	Strain/Sprain	Lost time >3 days	A pupil became distressed and had to be restrained by a number of staff. On getting home and in the evening IP's side of upper body became sore. Did not return to work until 30 January 208.	Information forwarded to Behavioural Support Services.
1765		22-Jan-2008	Back	Strain/Sprain	Lost time >3 days	IP knelt down to remove paper jammed in shredder. As IP attempted to pull the paper it stuck, when then resulted in IP's lower back twinge. Pain shot up spine and down legs.	H&S Support Officer checked with line manager siting of equipment, all of which was in order. IP was not actually lifting equipment but had knelt into a position. Suggest manual handling training for this staff member.

1800	21-Jan-2008	Face	Bruise/Contusion	Lost time >3 days	around situated close to the building IP	Bench legs bolted into ground. One of the bolts was raised - this has been made good to prevent future occurrence.
1723	18-Jan-2008	Back	None Stated	Lost time >3 days	Slipped in hall while carrying table to the trolley	

#### **Directorate of Social Services**

Accident Ref Number	Category	Accident Date	Injury Location	Injury Type	Reason Reportable	Details	Accident Investigation – Action taken
1816		18-Feb-2008	Trunk	Other Known	Lost time >3 days	IP punched in upper body by resident with dementia. There was no warning and no apparent trigger for the behaviour. The IP felt discomfort under her right breast and took time off work following advice received via the telephone from her G.P.	Urgent meeting held with Social worker, G.P, psychiatric services and psychology services to discuss medication issues and suitability of placement due to the deterioration in resident's condition. Resident has now moved to more appropriate accommodation.
1812		15-Feb-2008	Ankle Injury & Knee	Strain/Sprain and Laceration	Lost time >3 days	Walking back to the Office across the Car Park in front of Brodawel, IP twisted her ankle and fell onto the floor. Taken to Caerphilly Miners Hospital - sprained ankle and cut knee.	No unsafe condition.
1793		5-Jan-2008	Arms & legs	Cut or Laceration, Bruise	Lost time >3 days	IP was going from one client to another. IP closed the garden gate and caught foot under the gate and fell backwards down the steps. IP cut her elbow and bruised her thigh.	No unsafe condition.

No reportable accidents for Chief Executives/ Corporate Services

## Injury to Member of Public

Accident Ref Number	Category	Accident Date	Injury Location	Injury Type	Reason Reportable	Details	Accident Investigation – Action taken
1761	Pupil	18/1/08	Finger	Laceration	Taken to hospital	IP cut his finger on a coping saw in Technology.	IP had been given guidance on how to use a coping saw safely. IP was not following instructions.
1928	Pupil	14/3/08	Finger	Crush	Taken to Hospital	IP was coming out of her maths class. IP was holding the door open in order to go through and didn't take her hand away and her hand carried on sliding, trapping her finger in the hinge side of the door. Another pupil opened the door and IP pulled her finger out.	The door is a fire door and the automatic door closure was not as slow as it should have been. This was adjusted after the incident was reported to the school site manager (same day).