

## CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE - 11TH FEBRUARY 2009

SUBJECT: CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY GROUP

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

## 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 Corporate Health and Safety Group.

## 2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Corporate Health and Safety Group is a strategic forum for communication, discussion and decision-making on how best to progress on all issues relating to Health and Safety at work. The purpose of the group is to share information and develop coherent cross-Directorate strategies to effectively manage health and safety risks within the Authority. The group plays an active part in co-ordinating, monitoring and reviewing compliance with health and safety legislation and best practice across the Authority.
- 2.2 The Corporate Health and Safety Group consists of the Head of People Management and Performance, the Health and Safety Manager, and Head of Service representatives from the Directorates of Education and Leisure, Social Services and the Environment. The Group is chaired by the Director of Corporate Services and meets on a monthly basis.
- 2.3 The notes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2009 are attached, as Appendix 1 for your information. The next meeting will take place on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2009.

## 3. RECOMMENDATION

3.1 That the contents of the report be noted

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Health and Safety Professionals Group Corporate Health and Safety Group

**Appendices** 

Appendix 1 Corporate Health and Safety Group Minutes, 7th January 2009