



CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE – 12TH AUGUST 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 Development, 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 13th July 2009 are attached as Appendix 1 for your information. April's meeting was a brief meeting to progress urgent issues and many items were postponed for discussion at the May meeting. The next meeting will take place on 3rd September 2009.

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 That the contents of the report be noted

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Appendices:
Appendix 1 Notes of the meeting held on 13th July 2009