

CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE – 19TH NOVEMBER 2012

SUBJECT: CORPORATE ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN

REPORT BY: DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the views of Members, Management and Trade Union Safety Representatives on the recent new draft Corporate Asbestos Management Plan, as part of the formal consultation process, and prior to consideration by Cabinet.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Corporate Asbestos Management Plan (CAMP) was approved as issue 1 in 2008.
- 2.2 Due to changes in arrangements and practice and in response to the need for new procedures following a HSE investigation the CAMP has now been re-written and requires approval as a new document.
- 2.3 The Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012 places a specific duty on employers to manage asbestos.
- 2.4 The aims and objectives of the new document is to provide a comprehensive and consistent approach to managing asbestos risk across the Authority and to provide managers with a range of resources, information and paperwork so they can meet their responsibilities with regard to the effective management of asbestos containing materials (ACM's) in CCBC workplaces.
- 2.5 The health risks associated with asbestos are well documented and the CAMP covers responsibilities, use of the asbestos management system (RAMIS), arrangements for surveying, managing asbestos left in-situ, engaging contractors, CLASP/System build premises, contractor management, emergency procedures, training, reporting and investigating asbestos related incidents and audit, monitoring and review of the CAMP.
- 2.6 The approach adopted by the CAMP is to is to manage the risk through: surveying and Local Asbestos Management Plans (LAMPs) and using RAMIS to capture all Asbestos Management Surveys, Refurbishment and Demolition Surveys and asbestos removal (even where part of a wider project). This will result in each premise with an accurate management survey having a Local Asbestos Management Plan detailing all known asbestos.
- 2.7 This CAMP also includes numerous appendices that set out the management procedures for the practical management of ACM's e.g. the processes for arranging surveys, arranging Refurbishment/Demolition surveys, quality checking, emergency procedures.

2.8 The CAMP has been subject to consultation including direct consultation with the Trade Unions. All relevant comments have been incorporated.

3. RECOMMENDATION

3.1 The views of the Committee are sought as part of the consultation process.

4. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

4.1 To ensure that the Corporate Health and Safety Commitee's comments are reflected in a subsequent report to Cabinet that will seek approval of the revised Corporate Asbestos Management Plan.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Revised Corporate Asbestos Management Plan