



COUNCIL : 18 JULY 2018

Report of: Director of Leisure and Environment

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SUBJECT: HEALTH AND SAFETY STRATEGIC PLAN 2017/20 - UPDATE

Wards affected: Borough wide.

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To provide an update on the progress made in relation to the 2017/20 Health and Safety Strategic Plan.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That progress against the Health and Safety Strategic Plan 2017/20 be noted.

3.0 BACKGROUND

3.1 The Council has a long history of good compliance in health and safety management. Following the success of the Health and Safety Improvement Plan, a strategic approach was adopted to proactively manage health and safety issues within the Council.

3.2 The resultant Strategic Plan was focused on delivering improvements so as to handle risk effectively and produce a performance management framework to enable the Council to demonstrate improvements made in the management of health and safety. Performance against the 2014/17 Plan was continually reviewed at the Corporate Health and Safety Committee meetings.

3.3 Accordingly, a significant amount of effort and work is taking place to ensure the Council is meeting its statutory obligations to reduce the risks to those affected by the Council's operations.

4.0 THE 2017/20 HEALTH AND SAFETY STRATEGIC PLAN

4.1 The 2017/20 Health and Safety Strategic Plan (the 2017/20 Plan) was approved by Council on 19th July 2017 and an update is provided to Members annually.

The 2017/20 Plan builds on previous work by concentrating on the provision of Health and Safety information and training to staff.

- 4.2 The implementation of the 2017/20 Plan has reinforced the Council's commitment to provide a safe and healthy working environment for its employees, Members and visitors. Progress against the 2017/20 Plan is continuing as expected with no significant deviations away from targets. Appendix 1 to this report provides an outline of the work to date.

5.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no significant sustainability impacts associated with this report and, in particular, no significant impact on crime and disorder.

6.0 FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no significant financial or resource implications arising from this report.

7.0 RISK ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 The formal reporting of progress on the Health and Safety Strategic Action Plan is part of the overall control framework that is designed to manage and mitigate the health and safety risks facing the Council.

Background Documents

There are no background documents (as defined in Section 100D(5) of the Local Government Act 1972) to this Report.

Equality Impact Assessment

The decision does not have any direct impact on members of the public, employees, elected Members and / or stakeholders. Therefore no Equality Impact Assessment is required.

Appendices

Appendix 1 - Health and Safety Strategic Plan 2017/2020 – Update.