

**REPORT TO:** Corporate Policy & Performance Board

**DATE:** 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014

**REPORTING OFFICER:** Strategic Director – Policy and Resources

**SUBJECT:** Corporate Accident / Incident Report  
1<sup>st</sup> April 2013 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014

**PORTFOLIO:** Resources

**WARDS:** Boroughwide

**1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To provide the Board with details of corporate accident statistics and associated trends from 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATION**

i) That the report is noted.

**3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 The annual report on performance of health and safety management for the period 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014 is appended to this report.

3.2 With regard to proactive action taken, the report highlights that there has been an increase in the number of occupational risk assessments and near misses, whilst there has been a decrease in the number of stress risk assessments and officers using the Lone Working Monitoring system.

3.3 It also highlights a decrease in RIDDOR (Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations) reportable accidents and violent incidents, however, there has been an increase in the number of significant accidents.

3.4 This underlines the improvement in proactive action taken to create a safer working environment as this has led to the reduction in the number of incidents leading to injuries; as highlighted by the significant decrease in the number of days lost.

3.5 The subsequent recommendations contained in the report are based on current developments and incident trends. Their implementation will be closely monitored.

#### **4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 The provision of a safe working environment and reduction in accidents is important in order to provide efficient and effective delivery of services (the sixth priority in the Corporate Plan).

#### **5.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 Accidents which lead to lost time have financial implications for the authority (although these are always secondary to our concern for the well being of staff and customers).

#### **6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

6.1 A reduction in accidents and subsequent days lost increases the Council's capacity to deliver on all its priorities.

#### **7.0 RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 There are no particular risks attached to this report. Occupational and workplace risk assessments are used to reduce the likelihood of accidents.

#### **8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 There are no direct implications for equality and diversity.

#### **9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

There are no relevant background documents.