

## **HEALTH AND SAFETY HALF-YEARLY UPDATE REPORT**

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**Portfolio:** Resources and Efficiency

**Ward(s) affected:** None

### **Purpose of the Report**

To inform Members of issues and trends regarding health and safety at the council.

### **Recommendation**

**That the report be noted.**

#### **1. Background**

1.1 Attached as an Appendix is the seventh health and safety report submitted to the council. It covers the period April to September 2012.

#### **2. Legal and Statutory Implications**

2.1 The Council is required to comply with all relevant Health and Safety legislation.

#### **3. Equality Impact Assessment**

3.1 Our health and safety policy and procedures apply equally to all employees. Training is available to all employees as required.

#### **4. Financial and Resource Implications**

4.1 The majority of health and safety training courses are carried out in-house. On occasions, external providers are required to conduct specialist training courses. The cost of this is met from within the existing Corporate Training budget.

#### **5. Risks**

5.1 Failure to adopt best practice health and safety standards could result in wastage of council resources and the provision of an inefficient service.

#### **6. Issues**

There are no particular trends or emerging themes in comparison to previous years.

#### **7. List of Appendices**

Appendix – Health and Safety Report: April to September 2012.