<b>REPORT FOR:</b>	Governance, Audit and Risk Management Committee.
Date of Meeting:	17 July 2018
Subject:	<b>INFORMATION REPORT</b> – Annual Health and Safety Report
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Paul Walker, Corporate Director (Community)
Exempt:	No
Enclosures:	Appendix 1 – Analysis Report for Accidents and Incidents Quarter 1 To Quarter 4 (1 <sup>st</sup> April 2017 – 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2018)
	Appendix 2 – Insurance Claims, Quarter 1 To Quarter 4 (1 <sup>st</sup> April 2017 – 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2018)

# **Section 1 – Summary**

This report summarises the council's health and safety performance for the year 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018, providing an update of activities and giving information on outcome measures – training, audits and accidents.

# FOR INFORMATION



# Section 2 – Report

# **Executive Summary**

- 2.1 The Corporate Health and Safety Service has continued to develop the health and safety management system and to provide support and guidance across the organisation during the period from April 2017 to March 2018.
- 2.2 Part of this has included the re-establishment of the Corporate Health & Safety Board, agreed governance structure and setting up of a clear strategy action plan following a review of the corporate health & safety within the Council by an independent auditor.
- 2.3 The key work streams during the period have been:
  - The introduction of an improvement plan (see appendix 1).
  - Maintenance and introduction of organisation specific health and safety policies and Codes of Practice.
  - Provision of health and safety support, advice and guidance.
  - Continued delivery of health and safety training.
- 2.4 The management of the occupational health service and employee assistance programme has stayed with HR, due to direct links with employment and sickness.
- 2.5 The key points from this period are as follows:
  - No enforcement action from the HSE.
  - There has been minimal difference in incident performance (720 records recorded 16/17, 722 recorded 17/18) with a slight raise in the accident incident rate and a reduction of the RIDDOR injury frequency rate from previous years' data. (691 non RIDDOR reportable incidents and 37 RIDDOR Reportable incident in 2016 compared with 696 non-reportable incidents and 27 reportable incident in 2017)
  - Increased delivery of health and safety training, including joint work with the Unions as part of establishing the Training Academy

# Background

2.6 An annual safety review is undertaken and a report prepared detailing health and safety performance to enable the Council to determine it's effectiveness in managing risk and address any shortcomings.

# **External Assurance**

2.7 In 2016 an audit was conducted by Croner (independent health and safety specialists), leading to a full review of all aspects of Corporate Health & Safety including the governance, resulting in the strategy and action plan as found in Appendix 1

# **Improvement Plan**

- 2.8 Following the completion of the Croner audit in January to March 2016, work to set out actions required, and approval by Corporate Strategic Board in September 2017 and Governance, Audit and Risk Management Committee (GARMC) in October 2017, a strategy document was produced setting out the aims and objectives of the corporate health & safety service
- 2.9 The improvement plan is underway and monitored by the Corporate Health & Safety Board that meets on a current quarterly basis to ensure implementation. Focus is on ensuring all are aware of their responsibilities and governance is in place.

# Health and Safety Policy and Guidance

- 2.10 A review of all existing policies and codes of practice was undertaken in this year, including the overarching health and safety policy. Updates were made to reflect changes in working activities, including increased use of DSE in vehicles
- 2.11 A clear route to approve all policies and guidance is being put in place to ensure compliance with Council constitution as well as governance under corporate health & safety board

## Health and Safety Groups

- 2.12 Due to internal changes, this aspect is being sought to be revitalised to ensure that it happens, due to past concerns over poor representation from all directorates.
- 2.13 Revitalisation has taken place in the Community directorate with greater focus on service involvement.
- 2.14 In addition a Depot Health at Work group meets monthly at present to reflect the high risk nature of activities at the depot, and this is chaired by the Divisional Director (Environment and Culture).
- 2.15 The focus going forward is for the correct issues to be addressed at the correct level, to prevent unnecessary escalation as well as resolution at the earliest opportunity.

## Health and Safety Visits, Inspections and Audits

- 2.16 Site visits, inspections and accident investigations have continued to be performed by the Corporate Health and Safety Service through the organisation.
- 2.17 Further e-self health and safety audits are to be conducted within the year to establish the current level of health & safety compliance throughout the organisation, especially following a number of directorates restructures that have, and currently being, undertaken.

- 2.18 The service has also continued to respond to requests for site visits, principally in schools, providing guidance and support on a range of issues including monitoring the summer holiday building works programme and fire arrangements.
- 2.19 Going forward, a plan of site audits will be taking place using the capacity within the Commercial Safety Team to ensure health & safety stays at the forefront of the organisation and schools

## **Education Outside the Classroom**

2. 20 Educational visit assessments have been under review this year with schools. Greater clarity has been provided relating the volume of detail required to the level of risk. The service has continued to review assessments for a wide range of trips including residential trips, outdoor activities and overseas trips.

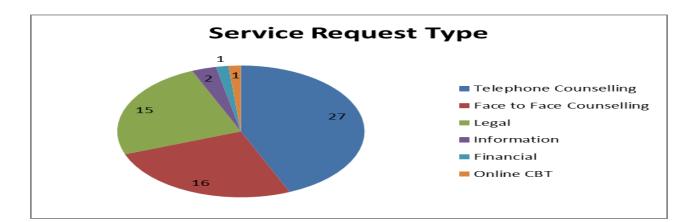
# **Occupational Health**

- 2.21 HML continues to provide the occupational health service and the service is overseen by HR. They continue to carry out online and face to face appointments, the latter being held off-site at a number of their premises. As a result they are able to breakdown use by Council Staff and Schools.
- 2.22 The total number of management referrals to occupational health in 2017/18 were 319, a 10% increase over the previous year (291). 38% of all referrals were from schools
- 2.23 29% were triaged face to face while 71% were triaged through a remote occupational health assessment (telephone call for instance)
- 2.24 21% of diagnosed cases were work related, which is above the 17% average across the HML client base
- 2.25 Mental Health (21%) and Musculoskeletal Disorders (35%) made up the majority of diagnosed referrals. 44% of mental health cases were deemed work related, as were 29% of musculoskeletal cases.

# **Employee Assistance Programme**

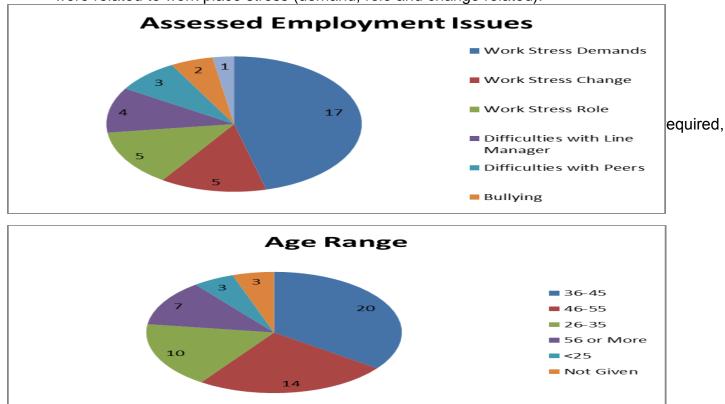
2.26 HM Assist has continued to provide an Employee Assistance Programme to the organisation whereby employees can freely obtain a range of services including specialist counselling and financial advice. This service has continued to be promoted throughout the year.

## Council Staff

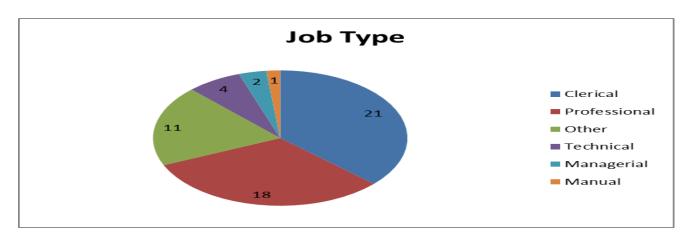


2.27 62 staff used the service in 2017/18, of which 43.5% was through telephone counselling.

2.28 60% of council staff using the occupational health system were employment issues, of which 72% were related to work place stress (demand, role and change related).

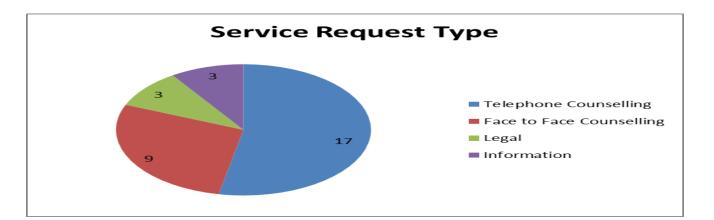


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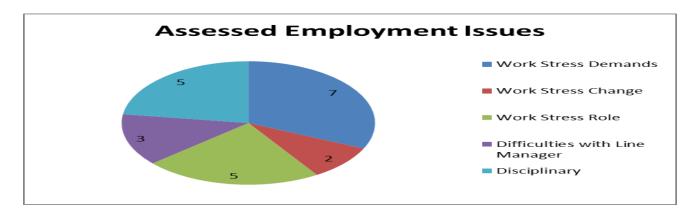


# Schools

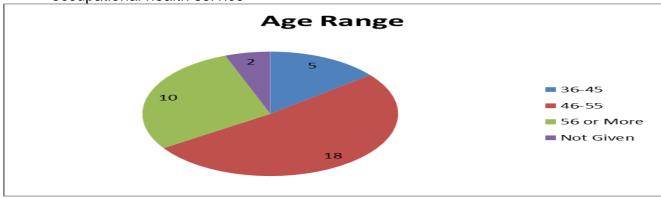
2.30 The number of management referrals and work health assessments undertaken in 2017/18 for Harrow Schools was 36, of which 47% were via telephone counselling,.



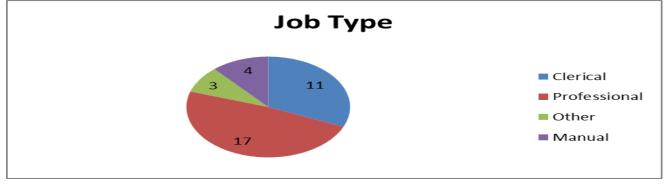
2.31 61% of school staff using the occupational health system were employment issues, of which 63% were related to work place stress (demand, role and change related)



2.32 In terms of age range, those between 46 to 55 made up the majority of those using occupational health service



2.33 In terms of job category, clerical and professional were the largest group, with manual only accounting for 2 of those using the service



2.34 The occupational health service also continues to provide health surveillance and administer inoculations, including driver medicals and hepatitis B vaccinations. A 'flu vaccination voucher scheme was also offered to staff in 2014.

## Promotion of Health, Safety and Well Being

- 2.35 The Public Health Directorate Harrow Council leads on implementation of the London Healthy Workplace Charter in Harrow. This initiative was launched by the Greater London Authority (GLA) in 2012 to recognise and support business investment in staff health and wellbeing.
- 2.36 Harrow was awarded the first stage of the London Healthy Workplace Charter in 2014, showing commitment to all key areas, being:
  - corporate support
  - health and safety
  - attendance management
  - physical activity
  - healthy eating
  - smoking cessation
  - substance use, and
  - mental health and well-being

## Incidents reported

- 2.37 Incident performance is still monitored by both the directorate & corporate groups every quarter. The data is considered both in terms of volume and through key performance indicators which allow consideration of the number of employees and number of employee hours worked.
- 2.38 There has been 265 employee related incidents in this period, 15 of which have required reporting to the Health and Safety Executive.
- 2.39 The majority of employee incidents continue to occur in schools (133 employees were employee related). This year the largest accident types were Slips, Trips and Falls, (132) Sports injuries (32) and Challenging Behaviour (27)
- 2.40 The majority of slips trips and falls incidents in schools are related to children (94). Of these 94 incidents only 3 were reportable to the HSE. Various controls have been put in place after each incident. The controls differ depending on the nature of the slip, trip or fall.
- 2.41 Two key performance indicators are used to monitor performance, the accident incidence rate, which is the number of accidents per 100,000 employees and the reportable injury frequency rate, which is the number of incidents reportable to the HSE per 100,000 person hours.
- 2.42 A total of 25 reportable incidents (whereby the Health & Safety Executive have to be informed) took place over the last financial year, of which 60% relate to schools. There was one fatality, which was within the Community Directorate and was attributable to natural causes (driver suffering a heart attack)
- 2.43 Accident / Incident rates over the last 3 years has risen, with 638 in 2015/16, 720 in 2016/17 and 722 in 2017/18. The type of accidents / incidents remain consistent and increase in numbers in

the last 2 years can be attributable to increased awareness and training around what needs to be reported and the use of the corporate SHEAssure software.

- 2.44 In reviewing incident type across the organisation in 2017/18 the three main incident types remain slips, trips and falls (18%), challenging behaviour (16%) and physical assault (6%). This is comparable to 2016/17 where the three main incident types were slips, trips and falls (20.2%), challenging behaviour (12.6%) and physical assault (6.3%)
- 2.45 The majority of physical assaults and challenging behaviour sit within schools with the majority of incidents are minor. Staff continue to receive accredited training and risk assessments are undertaken. However it can be noted that a pupil leaving or joining a special school can directly influence the number of incidents reported.
- 2.46 In reviewing occupation type (employees only) in relation to incident, teachers, teaching assistants and school support workers account for 50.2% of all incidents.
- 2.47 The service continues to record incidents relating to non-employees where it relates to the organisation's activities or the use of its facilities. 70% of non-employee incidents relate to pupils and are minor incidents e.g. sports or playground injuries. There are no trends identified from this data and individual incidents have been addressed in the appropriate manner.
- 2.48 Analysis of the trends from the key performance indicators and the incident type and occupation indicates that overall incident performance within the Council is improving. The health and safety audit programme has focussed on areas where management of risk will reduce the potential for an incident, for example, lone working assessments for social care workers and managing medicines arrangements in schools. Continuous improvement in risk assessment and safety procedures will improve incident performance but due to the low numbers and the diverse nature of the incidents, the improved performance cannot be attributed to direct intervention in key areas.
- 2.49 A new process for recording and reporting incidents was being implemented in 2014/15 using the SHEAssure software. The process is designed to capture more detail, allow greater analysis and assist local management in identifying immediate and root causes, develop action plans and link to risk assessments. As a result, incident reports have been shown to increase over the last 3 years as the uptake of this software increases

## Health and Safety Training Data

- 2.50 A training programme has continued to be delivered by the Corporate Health and Safety Service, but within the bigger remit of the Training Academy since 2017
- 2.51 The Commercial Safety Team has worked with the Training Academy to ensure it is an accredited training centre for Highfield and Chartered Institute of Environmental Health (CIEH); offering accredited and bespoke courses across all areas of health & safety, food safety and public health matters.
- 2.52 These courses are available on the training calendar and the service will continue to monitor incident performance, using the improved SHEAssure software arrangements, against delivered training to identify positive impacts and areas where further training is necessary.
- 2.53 It has been noted that not all new starters are attending the induction training with the course now available online through learning pool, which should aid greater completion of the course.

- 2.54 Future use of online training, through the learning pool, is planned for 2018/19. The suggested courses to be considered will not include courses where a classroom session is appropriate e.g. manual handling.
- 2.55 Work is taking place with the Learning and Development Team to improve the induction training as well as the mandatory on line health & safety training course

# Legislation Update

2.56 The period 2017/18 saw no significant legislation change that impacted the reporting of health & safety.

## Stakeholder Feedback

- 2.57 Development of health and safety management continues to proceed through collaboration with the recognised Trade Unions, including the joint launch of the corporate health and safety board system. The terms of reference for this is shown in **Appendix 3**
- 2.58 There has been no enforcement activity by the HSE during this period.

#### Management Assurance

- 2.59 Monitoring of health and safety performance within the organisation will sit with the Corporate Health & Safety Board going forward, who will provide updates to the Corporate Strategic Board
- 2.60 Due to the restructures across the Council in terms of structures and personnel, the Directorate health and safety forums are to be re-energised to ensure taking place regularly and effectively. Presentations to the Directorate Meetings are scheduled to take place throughout May and June to start this process

## Plans for April 2018 - March 2019

- 2.61 The key actions for 2018/19 include the following:
  - Internal; reorganisation for the delivery of the Corporate Health and Safety across the Council.
  - Implementation of safety team structures across the Council, in line with the Health & Safety Strategy
  - Corporate take up of the Assure SHE Software as the recognised software system for all health and safety matters including reporting of incidents
  - Health and safety support and advice within Harrow Council.
  - Training programme across the Council to ensure all receive the necessary training

# **Financial Implications**

- 2.62 Health and safety management is integral to directorate budgets, and the functions of the Corporate Health and Safety team are carried out within the budget available.
- 2.63 A one-off corporate funding of £80k has been secured for 2018/19 to bring in additional capacity to ensure the successful implementation of the health & safety strategy.

# **Equalities implications**

2.64 This report is for information, and protected characteristics are constantly measured as part of any health & safety system, especially aspects of age and disability.

# **Corporate Priorities**

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The delivery of health and safety management is integral to, and supports the achievement of all Corporate Priorities.

# **Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance**

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Date: 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2018		

# **Contact Details and Background Papers**

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Background Papers: Corporate Health & Safety Action Plan

# Appendix 1

Specific details regarding RIDDORs is available, but are reviewed as standard practice.

# Community – Employees Q1 to Q4 2017/18

	record 3 years	ncidents ed for th	e last	Breakdown of 2017-2018 data by occupation					
Type of Incident	2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	Contractor(s	Employe e	Employee - Agency	Other*		
Aggression and Violent Behaviour	6	15	11		5	1	5		
Bin Falling off Refuse Truck		2							
Burns	2	5	1		1		0		
Challenging Behaviour	40	61	87		21	8	58		
Choking / Asphyxiation		1							
Contact With Moving Machinery Or Material Being machined	5	2	2		1	1	0		
Contact With Sharp Object		3							
Dangerous Occurrence	1	1	4		1		3		
Exposure to excessive heat or cold		1							
Exposure To Fire		1							
Electrical Fault	3		1		1		0		
Exposure To, Or In Contact With, A Harmful Substance		1	1				1		
Faecal smearing	1								
Fatality	1	1	1			1	0		
Faulty Apparatus	2	4	2		1		1		
Feeling faint / Unconsciousness	5	9	7		1		6		
Fell From A Height (State Height in Notes)	2	4	8		3	1	4		
Fire Alarm Activated (non-emergency)		11	2	1			1		
Foreign Object in Eye	1	1							
Hit By A Moving Vehicle	4	4	5		3	2	0		
Hit By A Moving, Flying Or Falling Object	10	7	3		1		2		
Hit Something Fixed Or Stationary	7	3	1		1		0		
Incident Involving a Vehicle	4	5	6		3	2	1		
Incident With Burglary/Theft/Mugging	5	1	2		1		1		
Incident With Faulty Equipment	3	3	1		1	1	0		
Incident With Threatening Behaviour	4	1	3		3		0		
Incident with Vandalism		1	1			1	1		
Incident With Verbal Abuse	2	1	3		1		2		

Injured By An Insect or Animal			2		1	1	0
Injured While Handling, Lifting Or Carrying	19	20	8		7	1	0
Medical Emergency	6	13	18		1		17
Near Miss	15	8	7		3		4
Nosebleed			2				2
Physical Contact (Not Assault)	2	1	2				2
Physical injury from an unknown origin	7	3	4		1		3
Physically Assaulted By A Person	13	18	16		9	1	6
Property Damage	2		3				3
Safeguarding Incident	1	9	15				15
Security Breach	3	3					
Seizure	12	26	13		1		12
Self-harm	1	1	1				1
Slipped, Tripped Or Fell On The Same Level	28	29	22	1	6	1	14
Smoke/Smoke Inhalation	1	6					
Trapped	7		2			1	1
Trapped By Something Collapsing or Overturning			1				1
Travel Sickness			4				4
Work Related Illness		1					
Total	225	286	272	2	78	21	171

With the movement of Special needs transport into this area, the top 3 incident types are Challenging Behaviour (87) Slips, Trips and Falls (88); and Medical Emergencies (18);

Other includes: Members of the public, service users, visitors, clients, young people volunteers etc.

There were 8 employee RIDDOR incidents and these are illustrated in the table below

Type of Incident	Notes	Total Incidents	Employee	Employee - Agency
Incident Involving a Vehicle	<ol> <li>Staff member fell off moped whilst carrying out duties.</li> <li>Passenger assistant was injured wh bringing a council vehicle to a stop after the driver became unwell.</li> </ol>	2 ilst	1	1
Injured While Handling, Lifting Or Carrying	<ol> <li>Staff member was carrying a full 360 bin which caught his ankle</li> <li>Staff member trapped fingers in the of a 1100 bin</li> </ol>		2	

Contact With Moving Machinery Or Material Being Machined	Staff member was pulled into the back of a refuse vehicle.	1	1	
Fatality	Staff member was driving a council vehicle when he became unwell, the passenger assistant was able to keep control of the vehicle and bring it to a stop. The Driver passed away from natural causes.	1		1
Injured By An Insect or Animal	Staff member was stung by an insect	1	1	
Slipped, Tripped Or Fell On The Same Level	Staff member slipped on ice in the Central Depot area.	1	1	
Total		8	6	2

# People – Employees Q1 to Q4 2017/18

	Total Incidents recorded for the last 3 years				Breakdown of	Breakdown of 2017-2018 data by occupation					
Type of Incident	2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018		Contractor(s)	Employee	Employee - Agency	No One Involved	Other		
Aggression and Violent Behaviour	10	7	21			11			10		
Burns		2	2			1			1		
Challenging Behaviour	5	4	4			2			2		
Choking / Asphyxiation		1									
Contact With Sharp Object	3	3	2		1	1			0		
Contact With Hot Surface		1									
Dangerous Occurrence		1									
Exposure To Fire			2		1				1		
Electrical Fault		1									
Exposure To, Or In Contact With, A Harmful Substance		2	2			1	1		0		
Faulty Apparatus		1									
Feeling faint / Unconsciousness	1	1	1			1			0		
Fell From A Height (State Height in Notes)	2	1	3						3		
Foreign Object in Eye			1			1			0		
Hit By A Moving, Flying Or Falling Object	1										
Hit Something Fixed Or Stationary	2		5			5			0		
Incident With Burglary/Theft/Mugging	1		1					1	0		
Incident With Faulty Equipment			1			1		1	0		
Incident With Verbal Abuse	1		1					1	l		
Injured While Handling, Lifting Or Carrying	4	4	5			5			0		

Ingestion of Foreign Object	1							
Incident Involving a Vehicle		2						
Near Miss	4	8	9		1			8
Nosebleed	1	1	1		1			0
Physical Contact (Not Assault)	4	2	3		2			1
Physical injury from an unknown origin	1	1						
Physically Assaulted By A Person	9	5	6		4			2
Property Damage	1							
Safeguarding Incident	1	3	3					3
Seizure	1	2						
Self-harm	1	1						
Slipped, Tripped Or Fell On The Same Level	6	10	7		1			6
Stress		1						
Trapped	1	1						
Work Related Illness			1		1			0
Total	61	66	80	2	38	1	1	38

The number of incidents has risen slightly compared to previous years. The main area reported to the corporate health and safety services related to Aggression and Violent behaviour (21).

Other includes: Members of the public, service users, visitors, clients, young people volunteers etc.

There has been 1 employee RIDDOR incident

Type of Incident	Notes	Total	Employee
		Incidents	
	Staff member slipped on return to the building from the car park. Was unable to work for more than 7 days.	1	1
Total		1	1

# **Regeneration and Planning – Employees Q1 to Q4 2017/18**

	Total Incident	s recorded for t	Breakdown of 2017-2018 data by occupation	
Type of Incident	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	Employee
Fell From A Height (State Height in Notes)	1			1
Incident With Verbal Abuse			1	1
Total	1	0	1	1

There has been 1 reported incident in this area where a which was not RIDDOR Reportable.

# **Resources and Commercial - Employees Q1 to Q4 2017/18**

	Total Inc the last	cidents reco 3 years	Breakdown of 2017- 2018 data by occupation	
Type of Incident	2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	Employee
Aggression and Violent Behaviour		1	1	1
Allergic Reaction/Anaphylaxis		1	2	2
Choking / Asphyxiation	1		1	1
Feeling faint / Unconsciousness	1	1	3	3
Fell From A Height (State Height in Notes)	1	1	1	1
Incident With Verbal Abuse	1			
Hit By A Moving, Flying Or Falling Object		1	2	2
Medical Emergency	2	4		
Nosebleed	1	1	1	1
Seizure	1			
Slipped, Tripped Or Fell On The Same Level		1	3	
Smoke/Smoke Inhalation	3	2		3
Total	11	13	14	14

There were low numbers of incidents reported to the corporate health and safety service and the main areas relate to Slips Trips and Falls (3), Feeling Faint/Unconsciousness (3) and Allergic Reaction/Anaphylaxis (2)

There was 1 RIDDOR report submitted where a staff member fell down some stairs and was unconscious for a short time.

Type of Incident	Total Incidents	Employee
Fell From A Height (State Height in Notes)	1	1
Total	1	1

# School's - Employees Q1 to Q4 2017/18

		cidents rec e last 3 ye						· ·		
Type of Incident	2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	(	Contractor(s)	Employee	Employee - Agency	No One Involved	Other	
Aggression and Violent Behaviour	10	18	13			10	2		1	
Allergic Reaction/Anaphylaxis		1	1						1	
Burns	1	1	3	-	1	1	1		0	
Challenging Behaviour	17	26	27			20	3		4	
Contact With Acid		1								
Contact With Hot Surface	1									
Contact With Electricity Or An Electrical Discharge		1	1						1	
Contact With Sharp Object	8	8	7	-	1	2			4	
Exposure To Harmful Gases Or Vapours	1									
Exposure To, Or In Contact With, A Harmful Substance	7	3	2						2	
Exposure To UV Radiation	1									
Faulty Apparatus	1	3	1			1			0	
Feeling faint / Unconsciousness	5	11	4			1			3	
Fell From A Height (State Height in Notes)	13	13	17			3			14	
Foreign Object in Eye	2	2	2			1			1	
Hit By A Moving Vehicle	2	3	3			2			1	
Hit By A Moving, Flying Or Falling Object	35	25	26			14			12	
Hit Something Fixed Or Stationary	15	21	16			4	1		11	
Incident With Faulty Equipment	1	1								
Incident Involving a Vehicle		1	2			2			0	
Incident With Verbal Abuse	1									
Infectious disease		2	1			1			0	
Injured By An Insect or Animal	2	1								
Injured While Handling, Lifting Or Carrying	13	9	11	2	2	7			2	
Injured While Trampolining	1									
Medical Emergency	20	11	22			5			17	
Near Miss	8	3	6			4			2	
Nosebleed	1	1	2			1			1	
Physical Contact (Not Assault)	11	18	20			7			13	
Physical injury from an unknown origin	1	2	1						1	
Physically Assaulted By A Person	21	22	23			18	1		4	
Property Damage	1	1	1					1	0	

Safeguarding Incident			1					1
Seizure	6	7	6					6
Slipped, Tripped Or Fell On The Same Level	102	106	100		26			74
Sports Injury	28	26	32					32
Stress			1					1
Trapped	4	6	3		3			0
Total	340	354	355	4	133	8	1	209

The main areas related to; Slips, Trips and Falls, (100) Sports injuries (32) and Challenging Behaviour (27) which is not unexpected in the service area concerned. There have been 15 RIDDOR reportable incidents in total. Only 5 of which involved an employee.

Other refers to: Members of the public, service users, visitors, clients, young people volunteers etc. Property damaged by graffiti sprayed on school property.

RIDDOR Reportable incidents are as follows:

Type of Incident	Notes – Employee's only	<b>Total Incidents</b>	Employee	Other
Challenging Behaviour	Employee was 1-2-1 assisting with a pupil when the pupil pushed the employee and dropped to the floor – over 7 day injury	1	1	
Fell From A Height (State Height in Notes)		3		3
Slipped, Tripped Or Fell On The Same Level	Employee tripped over a cable and banged their head. They were taken to hospital.	3	1	2
Contact With Sharp Object		1		1
Exposure To, Or In Contact With, A Harmful Substance		1		1
Feeling faint / Unconsciousness		1		1
Hit By A Moving Vehicle	Employee collided with a pupil riding a bicycle in the playground – Over 7 day injury	1	1	
Hit Something Fixed Or Stationary		1		1
Injured While Handling, Lifting Or Carrying	Employee twisted back whilst loading milk into a fridge.	1	1	
Physical Contact (Not Assault)	Pupil fell to the floor and supporting assistant twisted ankle.	1	1	
Sports Injury		1		1
Total		15	5	10

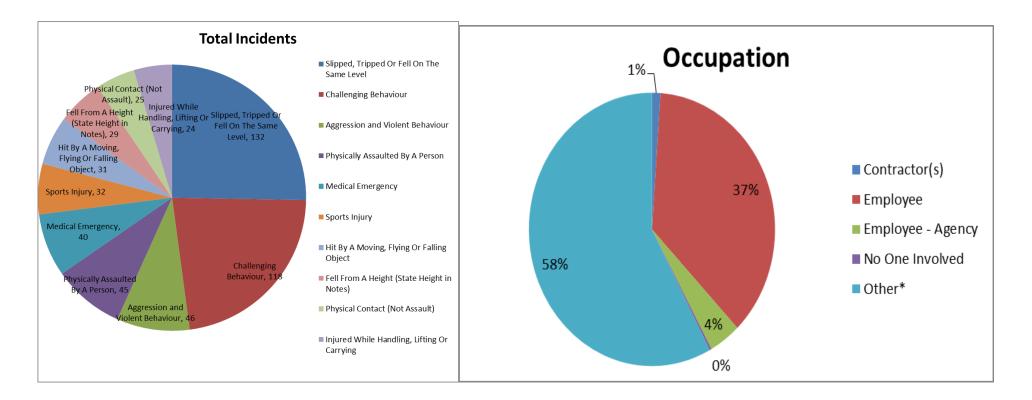
# All Directorates Incidents – 2015 to 2018

		ncidents	s recorded 3 years	Breakdown of 2017-2018 data by occupation			occupation	١	
Type of Incident	2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018		Contractor(s)	Employee	Employee - Agency	No One Involved	Other*
Aggression and Violent Behaviour	26	41	46			27	3		16
Allergic Reaction/Anaphylaxis		2	3			2			1
Bin Falling off Refuse Truck		2							
Burns	3	9	6		1	3	1		1
Challenging Behaviour	62	91	118			43	11		64
Choking / Asphyxiation	1	2	1			1			
Contact With Acid		1							
Contact With Electricity Or An Electrical Discharge		1	1						1
Contact With Hot Surface	1	1							
Contact With Moving Machinery Or Material Being machined		2	2			1	1		0
Contact With Sharp Object	16	14	9		2	3			4
Dangerous Occurrence	1	2	4			1			3
Electrical Fault		1	1			1			0
Exposure to excessive heat or cold		1							
Exposure To Harmful Gases Or Vapours	1								
Exposure To UV Radiation	1								
Exposure To Fire	3	1	2		1				1
Exposure To, Or In Contact With, A Harmful Substance	7	6	5			1	1		3
Faecal smearing	1								
Fatality	1	1	1				1		0
Faulty Apparatus	3	8	3			2			1
Feeling faint / Unconsciousness	12	22	15			6			9
Fell From A Height (State Height in Notes)	19	19	29			7	1		21
Fire Alarm Activated (non-emergency)		11	2		1				1
Foreign Object in Eye	3	3	3			2			1
Hit By A Moving Vehicle	6	7	8			5	2		1
Hit By A Moving, Flying Or Falling Object	46	33	31			17			14
Hit Something Fixed Or Stationary	24	24	22			10	1		11
Incident Involving a Vehicle	4	8	8			5	2		1
Incident With Burglary/Theft/Mugging	6	1	3			1		1	1
Incident With Faulty Equipment	4	4	2			2			0

Incident With Threatening Behaviour	4	1	3		3			0
Incident with Vandalism			1					1
Incident With Verbal Abuse	5	1	4		2			2
Infectious disease		2	1		1			0
Ingestion of Foreign Object	1							
Injured By An Insect or Animal	2	1	2		1	1		0
Injured While Handling, Lifting Or Carrying	36	33	24	2	19	1		2
Injured While Trampolining	1							
Medical Emergency	28	28	40		6			34
Near Miss	27	19	22		8			14
Nosebleed	3	3	6		3			3
Physical Contact (Not Assault)	17	21	25		9			16
Physical injury from an unknown origin	9	6	5		1			4
Physically Assaulted By A Person	43	45	45		31	2		12
Property Damage	4	1	4				1	3
Safeguarding Incident	2	12	19					19
Security Breach	3	3						
Seizure	20	35	19		1			18
Self-harm	2	2	1					1
Slipped, Tripped Or Fell On The Same Level	139	146	132	1	36	1		94
Smoke/Smoke Inhalation	1	8						
Sports Injury	28	26	32					32
Stress		1	1					1
Trapped	12	7	5		3	1		1
Trapped By Something Collapsing or Overturning			1					1
Travel Sickness			4					4
Work Related Illness		1	1		1			
Total	638	720	722	8	265	30	2	417

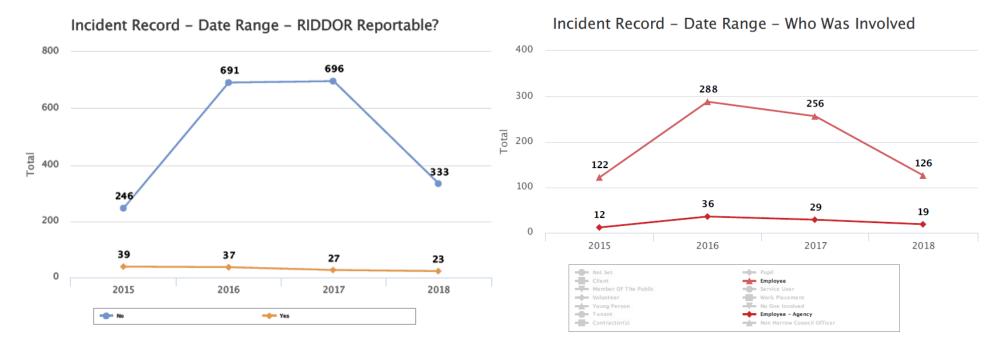
Decre	eased since previous year		Remained same as previous year		Increased since previous year
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Below are the top 10 incidents of this year and the top occupations involved.



The largest amount of incidents overall comes from non Harrow Employees, of which 293 are children in schools. The the vast majority of these reports are for minor injuries. These numbers remain high due to encouragement of Corporate Health & Safety to report all incidents and accidents, including near misses, through the SHEAssure software.

Over the past couple of years the total number of RIDDOR Reportable incidents has reduced. The total number of accidents however has gone up slightly (from 691 in 2016 to 696 in 2017). The number of incidents involving employees and agency employees is going down (256 for employees and 29 for agency employees in 2017 v 288 employee incidents and 36 agency incidents in 2016



#### Q1 to Q4 2017-18

# Appendix 2 - Employers' Liability Insurance Claims

Claim	Incident Date	Details	Directorate
Reference			
M17EL000001	31/05/2017	Bullying/harassment	People
M17EL000002	20/07/2017	Injury at work	Community
M17EL000003	11/12/2017	Slip	People
M17EL000004	13/03/2018	Slip	Community
M16EL000006	19/08/2016	Hit by Barrier	Community
M16EL000007	11/04/2016	Injured at work	Schools
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# **APPENDIX 3**

# Corporate Health and Safety Board Terms of Reference

Aim

The Corporate Health and Safety Board will act on behalf of the Chief Executive as the strategic focus for Health and Safety across the corporate estate, using the Health and Safety Policy Statement as framework for decision making. The Board will ensure the implementation of the policy statement through agreed best practice and development of a Health and Safety management system.

## Accountability

The Corporate Health and Safety Board will provide progress reports to the Corporate Strategic Board (CSB).

## **Objectives**

The Corporate Health and Safety Board has the following objectives:

- To provide a forum in which officers and others with specific responsibilities for health and safety, as set out in the Health and Safety Policy, are held accountable for and supported in their actions. These actions are:
- To ensure compliance with the requirements of health and safety legislation and regulations. throughout the Council.
- To ensure arrangements for developing health and safety competencies among managers and staff are in place and are being followed.
- To review and approve Council-wide objectives for health and safety, policy and strategies and initiatives for their delivery, in consultation with the Governance, Audit and Risk Management Committee (GARMC).
- To promote engagement with, and the integration of, health and safety considerations into everyday working practices in Council services.
- To lead on Occupational Health initiatives to promote well-being and stress management as part of the wider health & wellbeing agenda.
- To develop and oversee the development, implementation and regular updating of the Council's strategic and operational health & safety risk register.
- To set and monitor performance indicators/standards for health and safety and monitor the Council's arrangements for monitoring
- To commission audits and reviews of health and safety management systems, policies and procedures.
- To receive reports and feedback from Directorate Health and Safety Meetings or other relevant forums, groups or committees, as well as provide direction and information back to them as relevant.
- To consider reports on accidents and/or incidents, complaints and work related ill health statistics in order to identify any emerging trends or patterns.

• To consider reports on visits, inspections or any enforcement action taken by the Health and Safety Executive, the London Fire & Emergency Planning Authority and other enforcing authorities.

# Representatives

The Corporate Health and Safety Board will be chaired by the Corporate Director Community with responsibility for establishing and implementing a strategic framework for the Health and Safety committees in each Directorate to achieve the aims set out above.

The Board shall consist of a nominated Divisional Director representative from each Directorate, a nominated Senior HR representative, representatives from the Unions and supported by the Corporate Health and Safety Team.

All representatives on the Board will have a voice in decision making. The chair / vice chair shall have the casting vote if the matter cannot be resolved by unanimous agreement. In matters that cannot be resolved, they will be passed to the Corporate Strategic Board, as the most senior strategic forum chaired by the Chief Executive, or Employee Consultative Forum (ECF) should it not be feasible to make a decision. The Unions retain the right to escalate matters of concern to an ECF Sub-Group / ECF in line with the consultative framework of the Council and Trade Union Recognition Agreements.

When a representative cannot make the meeting, a nominated person of sufficient grade shall attend and represent them

Duties of the chair

- Schedule regular Board meetings.
- Develop written agendas for conducting meeting.
- Maintain and action plan and log of decisions
- Conduct the meeting.
- Approve Board correspondence and reports.
- Supervise the preparation of meeting minutes.

Duties of the vice-chair

- In the absence of the chair, assume the duties of the chair.
- Perform other duties as directed by the chair.

Conduct of the Board

The Chair is responsible for ensuring that the Board meets on a monthly basis to resolve issues and take forward the objectives and aims as set out in this document.

The Board should not be canceled or postponed except in exceptional circumstances. If any member of the Board cannot attend a deputy shall attend in

their absence. If the meeting has to be postponed, a date for the next meeting should be agreed and announced as soon as possible by the Chair.

The minutes of each meeting will be supplied to every Board member once agreed by the Chair as soon as possible after the meeting, and be made available on the intranet once agreed.

A copy of the agenda and any accompanying papers should be sent to all members at least one week before each meeting.

## Consultation

The Board actively supports and participates in the consultative arrangements in line with Safety Representatives and Safety Committee Regulations 1977 as amended by the Health and Safety (Consultation with Employees) Regulation 1996 and the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999

All Corporate Health and Safety Policies and Procedures shall be presented to the Corporate Board for consultation and agreement of any other party that needs be involved. Comments will be provided within a 4 week consultation period, will be collated by the Corporate Health and Safety Team, and discussed at the next Corporate Board for final sign off.

## **Directorate Health & Safety Board**

The Corporate Health & Safety Board will feed into, and receive information and referrals from, the Directorate Health & Safety Boards, of which there will be three. The three Directorate Health & Safety Boards shall be chaired by Director (Environment & Culture) for Community Directorate, Head of Finance for Resources Directorate and Divisional Director (Educational Services) for People Directorate.

These Directorate Health & Safety Boards shall be held quarterly and minutes and actions fed back to the Corporate Health & Safety. Key themes / agenda items will be determined from the Corporate Health & Safety Board, as well as be influenced by the needs of the services. These Directorate Boards shall be run as per the principles of the Corporate Health & Safety Board Terms of Reference.