

Committee:	Safety Committee	Agenda Item No.:	6
Date:	5 th October 2009	Category	
Subject:	General Health and Safety Report	Status	Open
Report by:	Health and Safety Officer		
Other Officers involved:			
Director	Chief Executive Officer		
Relevant Portfolio Holder	People and Performance		

RELEVANT CORPORATE AIMS

STRATEGIC ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT – Continually improving our organisation, by ensuring we comply with legislation and best practice.

TARGETS

The subject matter does not relate to any targets specified in the Corporate Plan.

VALUE FOR MONEY

Helping ensure that the Council discharges its legal responsibilities and does not incur legal costs, fines or civil penalties.

THE REPORT

Kissinggate Leisure Centre

Renovation works on site are still in progress, work is a week behind schedule, due to problems installing the new roofing during bad weather.

Legionella

The civil claims case noted previously is still ongoing; there has been no further communication from the insurers on the matter.

Riverside depot is now included in the legionella programme and a risk assessment will be completed shortly by H20

Legionella and water quality continues to be monitored through Asset Management Group.

Fire Safety

The fire procedure for Riverside has been finalised and introduced, a fire drill will be held shortly. Information for employees has will be given via ERIC, staff bulletin, notice boards and staff meetings.

New procedures have been introduced for manual refuelling of petrol equipment following a risk assessment.

The investigation into the fire incident which occurred in the Bolsover Depot yard on June 2nd has been completed (subject to appeal). One employee has been dismissed as a result of his actions. Those others whose prompt action prevented the spread of the fire have been thanked by letter.

Asbestos Management

The asbestos survey contract, carrying out a representative sample of the housing stock has commenced. Regular reports are received from the contractor, Interserve.

Negotiations to implement a new asbestos database are still under way.

Training

4 employees attended manual handling training in July.

5 employees attended induction training In September.

60 employees attended asbestos awareness training in July and August.

60 employees will be undertaking asbestos task training in September and October.

Manual handling training for approximately 50 waste handlers and grounds maintenance personnel will take place in September and October.

Depot Safety Inspections

The most recent Riverside Depot Safety inspection took place on September, 11th; reports with an action plan have been circulated.

Bolsover depot was inspected on 9th September. There were several outstanding items from the previous inspection in August:

Disposal of Gas bottles.
Containers.
Wheelie bin storage.

Policy Development

The Asbestos Policy has been redrafted and is out for consultation with senior management.

Driving/Occupational Road Risk first draft is out for consultation with the Transport Group

Health and Safety Audits

The Health and Safety Audit for Pleasley Vale Mills has been completed, the report is being drafted. Provisionally recommendations will centre around additional training for council personnel on site.

IMPLICATIONS

Financial: No direct financial implications or additional commitments
Legal: No direct implications
Human Resources: No direct implications

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be accepted.

ATTACHMENT: No
FILE REFERENCE:
SOURCE DOCUMENT: