

Bolsover District Council

Safety Committee

1st July 2021

Accident Statistics

Report of the Health and Safety Manager

Classification: This report is public
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PURPOSE / SUMMARY

To report on accident statistics as a key measure of the Authority's overall Health and Safety performance.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Committee note the contents of the accident reporting statistics and consider the impact on Bolsover District Council's overall corporate performance.

Approved by the Portfolio Holder - [Click here to enter text.](#)

IMPLICATIONS

Finance and Risk: Yes No

Details:

Poor performance can lead to compensation claims, increasing the cost of insurance.

On Behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes No

Details:

Good performance is an indicator of compliance with Health and Safety legislation.

On Behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Staffing: Yes No

Details:

Accidents resulting in injury can impact on staffing levels.

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

Decision Information	
Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds: BDC: Revenue - £75,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £150,000 <input type="checkbox"/> NEDDC: Revenue - £100,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please indicate which threshold applies	No
Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)	No
District Wards Significantly Affected	None
Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet / Executive <input type="checkbox"/> SAMT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	No Details: NA

Links to Council Ambition (BDC)/Council Plan (NED) priorities or Policy Framework including Climate Change, Equalities, and Economics and Health implications.

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REPORT DETAILS

1 Background (reasons for bringing the report)

- 1.1 To confirm how Bolsover District Council is performing from a Health and Safety perspective. Good Health and Safety performance is indicative of good management control and vice versa.

2. Details of Proposal or Information

- 2.1 The total number of accidents in the quarter is 6. This breaks down into: 2 Manual Handling accidents, 2 Slips, Trips and Falls on the same level and 2 Struck by Moving Object accidents.

All 6 of these accidents occurred in Streetscene.

- 2.2 2 of these accidents were reportable under the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations (2013). One resulted from a Slip, Trips and Fall in icy conditions and is an over 7 day absence. The second is reportable as a major injury as a broken bone was incurred. The Injured Party was Struck by a Moving Object when a wheelie bin fell from it's lifters on the refuse collection vehicle.

- 2.3 The accidents have been broken down into hazard category, to show lost time accidents, lost days incurred by service area and to show the distribution of accidents between services. A brief synopsis of each accident and the graphical representation has been included at Appendix 1.

- 2.4 Covid-19 inspections have continued throughout lockdown and largely been without incident. Facilities colleagues have acted immediately upon requests for extra materials.

It is noted that colleagues who haven't been into the offices during the pandemic, are understandably sensitive on return to the workplace. Arrangements have been put into place to enable social distancing, limit numbers in offices and enable cleaning. Service Managers are responsible for ensuring employees adhere to arrangements put in place. Service Managers are asked to ensure Return to Workplace risk assessments are shared with employees returning to the workplace and receipt of these is signed for.

- 2.5 To ensure robust close out of actions relating to workplace inspections happen, a resume of actions that remain open after 2 subsequent inspections, will be brought to Safety Committee for discussion.

3 Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 To ensure good Health and Safety management remains a key performance priority for Bolsover District Council.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 4.1 No alternative options available

DOCUMENT INFORMATION

Appendix No	Title
1	Graphical representation of accident breakdown and descriptions.
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers)	
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