

### Health and Safety - Accident Statistics 2014/15

#### Purpose of the Report

This report provides an overview of the number of accidents that have occurred during the period 1 April to 30 June 2014 within the Council.

#### Background

The Health & Safety Officer provides advice and training on health and safety matters across the Council. This Officer is also responsible for producing management information on the number of accidents. These are collated on a regular basis and are reported to the joint Health & Safety Committee. This Committee reviews the accidents and makes recommendations or learning that needs to be implemented.

#### Accident Statistics

The Council's accident statistics are broken down into reportable and non-reportable accidents.

Reportable accidents are those covered by RIDDOR (Reporting of Injuries, Diseases & Dangerous Occurrences Regulations, 1995). These accidents have to be reported to the Health and Safety Executive and include:

- Where a member of staff has been required to stay in hospital for 24 hours after an accident;
- Where a member of the public was taken to hospital for treatment after the accident;
- If the accident results in the member of staff being off work for 3 days after the date of the accident,

The table overleaf shows the number of accidents that have occurred during the current quarter (1 April to 30 June 2014) by reportable accident type and category and the year to date.

During the first quarter of 2014/15 there were 13 accidents in which 9 accidents involved employees. This includes 3 accidents which were of a reportable nature – one member of the public fainting and two employees – one was involved in a slip/trip or fall and the other being struck by a moving vehicle. As a result, existing risk assessments have been reviewed and control measures reinforced.

The table also provides comparative details of the number of accidents for the previous year (2013/14)



**Table: Accident Cause Statistics – (for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter - 1 April to 30 June 2014) and Year to Date: Comparative Accident Cause Statistics for the previous year (2012/13)**

Accident Cause	Quarter 1 (1April - 30 June 2014)				
	Non Reportable		Reportable		Total
	Employees	Public	Employees	Public	
Manual handling	1	2			3
Contact Fixed Objects (e.g. sharps)	1	1			2
Struck by Moving Vehicles RTA's					
Struck by Moving Objects - others	2		1		3
Slips / Trips / Falls	2		1		3
Violence - Physical such as dog bites					
Violence - Verbal					
Near Miss					
Other, such as cuts.	1(burn)			1 (faint)	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>

Current Year To Date (2014/15) Actual			
Non Reportable		Reportable	
Employees	Public	Employees	Public
1	2		
1	1		
2		1	
2		1	
1			1
<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

Previous Year (2013/14) Actual			
Non Reportable		Reportable	
Employees	Public	Employees	Public
4		1	
4	2		
2		2	
9		1	
2	3	1	
1	4		1
1			
2	3		
<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>

Source: SDDC Accident Statistics