

## **Health and Safety - Accident Statistics 2012/13**

### **Purpose of the Report**

This report provides an overview of the number of accidents that have occurred during the year (2012/13) 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 January to 31 March 2013) by reportable accident type and category and the year to date.

The table also provides comparative details of the number of accidents for the previous year (2011/12)

**Table: Accident Cause Statistics – (for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 1 January to 31 March 2013) and Year to Date: Comparative Accident Cause Statistics for the previous year (2011/12)**

Accident cause	Quarter 4 (1 January - 31 March 2013)			Current Year (2012/13) Actual		Previous Year (2011/12) Actual	
	Non Reportable	Reportable	Total	Non Reportable	Reportable	Non Reportable	Reportable
Manual handling	1	-	1	4	1	4	3
Contact Fixed Objects (e.g. sharps)	1	-	1	7	1	11	-
Struck by Moving Vehicles RTA's	1	-	1	3		-	1
Struck by Moving Objects - others	-	-	-	5		1	1
Slips / Trips / Falls	5	1	6	13	1	4	3
Violence - Physical such as dog bites	-	-	-	1		-	-
Violence - Verbal	-	-	-			-	-
Near Miss	-	-	-	1		-	-
Other, such as cuts.	1	-	1	4		11	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>10</b>
Members of the Public	-	1	1	8	2	10	3
Employees	8	-	8	30	1	24	7
Actual Number of Employees (Not FTE's)	290			280		280	
Number of Employees Trained in Safety Awareness	200			800		800	
Lost time for all reportable accidents (days)	-			13		N/a	

Source: SDDC Accident Statistics

During the final quarter of 2012/13 there were eight non-reportable or minor accidents, which were all incurred by employees. All have resulted in existing risk assessments being reviewed and control measures being reinforced.

The table also shows that 200 out of 280 employees were trained in safety awareness.

During the year 2012/13 there have been 38 non reportable accidents, compared to 34 non reportable accidents during 2011/12. These reportable accidents equate to 13 days in 'lost time'. No comparable lost time data is available for 2011/12