COPELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

Joint Consultative & Safety Panel Health and Safety report

Date of meeting: 22nd July 2010

Susan Harrison Health and Safety Advisor Corporate Health and safety Report, March 2010

Fire procedures

A Fire evacuation at the Copeland Centre was carried out to test new Procedures on Tuesday 13th July at 2:20 pm. The building was evacuated and the all clear given in 2 minutes and 40 seconds. I believe this is the best time we have achieved so far. Some fine tuning is required, and further Fire Wardens need to be recruited and trained. The aim is for the next fire evacuation to be completed in under 2 minutes 30 seconds. I now intend to concentrate on the Moresby site, then Cleator Moor, Tourist Information Centre Whitehaven, The Crematorium and Beck Green Nursery.

The Beacon is completed Millom is included with County Fire arrangements for that building

Safety Representatives Group

The Safety Representatives Group have been re-formed and are undergoing re-structure and further recruitment. There has been difficulty recruiting members and I have asked for assistance from the Corporate Management Team.

New Guidance and Procedures

The new Accident/Incident Reporting Guidance and Reporting Forms are now completed. DSE and Workstation Assessment Guidance, Procedures and Checklists completed. Lone Working Guidance, Procedures and Assessments are completed Working at height Guidance, Procedures and checklists are completed Risk assessment Guidance Procedures and risk assessment forms completed

Briefings on new procedures to managers and staff are being arranged to commence in October 2010 when it is hoped that all the above procedures will be on the Council Intranet.

<u>Training</u>

Training Completed up to July 2010

Working at heights and Ladder Safety Training for Parks and Open Spaces staff completed. Manual Handling Training for Beacon Staff, Parks and Open Space and Copeland Homes completed. Conflict Management Training has been delivered to Environmental Health, Enforcement and Revenue and Benefits staff.

IOSH Working Safely training is now completed for all Waste Services.

PASMA (Prefabricated Access Suppliers & Manufacturers' Association) Training completed for Parks and Open Spaces.

Future training currently either in hand or being arranged:

Sharps Safety Training. Risk Assessment for Managers. Fire Warden Training. Evac Chair Training. First Aid at Work Training. Conflict Management Training. Work at Health and Safe Use of Access Equipment Training. Sector Scheme Traffic Management Rural and Urban Accreditation. IOSH Managing Safety. Manual Handling Training.

Hand Arm Vibration, Whole Body Vibration and Noise

Arrangements are in place to carry out measuring of Hand Arm Vibration, Whole Body Vibration and Noise, including development of a database to monitor. This is being carried out with the Parks and Open Spaces Maintenance Manager who will then implements and maintain the new system. Don't have the date for completion of this yet. Health Surveillance will be arranged for all relevant staff.

Access Equipment Risk Assessment

Risk assessments of Access equipment and working practices identified Work at Height and Ladders Safety training was required for Parks and Open Spaces Staff. In addition to this all ladders were replaced with Industrial type ladders and ladder spurs, microlites and lamp collars were purchased.

Waste Management services

Earlier in the year the Health and safety Advisor and the Waste Management Supervisor attended an HSE seminar on the Waste Management Services Industry.

The HSE were extremely impressed with the systems Copeland Waste Management had in place and suggested Copeland may like to have themselves included on the HSE website, describing how we do things in order to show 'Good Practice' in waste services nationally.

First Aid

A full audit of Copeland Borough Council is currently taking place, this is initially starting with the Copeland Centre, then will include Waste Management then parks and Open Spaces. The audit will also include the arrangements for the use of the Evac-Chairs in the Copeland Centre.

Accident /Incident Reports Summary

5 reported incidents in May and June 2010, Includes 1RIDDOR reportable incident A summary is attached with this report.

Member of the public
slips & Trips
Violence and Aggression
Hit By

New Health and Safety Legislation

None to report at present.

Copeland BC Accidents/Incidents Record 01 April 2010 to 31 May 2010

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HSE Type of Accident/ lipchart Slips & Trips / heavy,		

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