



1.2 ELECTED MEMBER CONSULTATION

Corporate Arrangements

As part of the corporate management process with Elected Members a Central Health and Safety Forum exists and meets quarterly to provide and promote consultation and co-operation between the Council and its employees on health and safety issues and to keep under review the operation of the Council's Corporate Health and Safety Policy in accordance with the following terms of reference:

- To keep under review the operation of the Council's Health and Safety at Work Policy and the measures taken Council wide to ensure the proper implementation of the policy.
- To promote cooperation between the Council and their employees in instigating, developing and carrying out measures to ensure the progressive improvement in the health and safety performance of all Corporate Groups of the Council.
- To discuss with Heads of Service, Senior Managers and Safety Representatives of the appropriate trade unions matters which affect the health, safety and welfare of employees of the Council.
- To consider the implications for the Council's operations of any changes to Health and Safety legislation and to report them to the Strategic Leadership Group, and, where necessary Cabinet.
- To consider regular reports from Corporate Groups on the effectiveness of action taken to plan, organise, control, monitor and review preventative measures.
- To consider reports by the Trade Unions on Health and Safety matters and to consider more detailed reports from the H R Service Lead or the Occupational Health and Safety Manager of any serious incidents or issues relating to the Council's statutory duties.
- To consider reports from Corporate Group Health and Safety Committees on relevant issues which it has not been possible to resolve at a local level.