

COMMITTEE UPDATE REPORT / ADRODDIAD DIWEDDARU'R PWYLLGOR - HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Date of last meeting/ Dyddiad y cyfarfod diwethaf: 14 January 2025

Quoracy/ Cworwm: Met

Report by/ Adroddiad gan: Ann Murphy, Chair

KEY DISCUSSION POINTS AND MATTERS FROM THE DISCUSSION AT THE MEETING/ PWYNTIAU TRAFOD ALLWEDDOL A MATERION I'W HUWCHGYFEIRIO O'R DRAFODAETH YN Y CYFARFOD:

Alert¹ (may require discussion)/ **Rhybuddio** (efallai y bydd angen trafodaeth)

The Health and Safety Committee (HSC) had no items of which to **alert** the Board.

Advise² (to monitor)/ **Cynghori** (i fonitro)

The Health and Safety Committee wish to **advise** members of the Board that:

- Adequate assurance was not provided from the **Health and Safety Regulations Overview** as three regulation areas do not have formal policies or procedures. The Health, Safety and Security Department are taking steps to strengthen monitoring arrangements and arrange training to close these gaps in compliance as a priority in 2025. This will continue to be monitored by the Committee.

Assure³ (to note)/ **Sicrhau** (i nodi)

The HSC wish to **assure** members of the Board that:

- The Terms of Reference for the Health and Safety Sub Committee (HSSC) were approved, and the **Health and Safety Sub-Committee Update** was noted.
- All groups dedicated to the management of **Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC)** have now been stood down and this matter is being managed by operational teams as part of normal daily business.
- The **Health and Safety Update Report** confirmed that adequate arrangements for legionella control, asbestos management control and safe working at height arrangements are in place to manage and monitor health and safety compliance within these high-risk areas.
- The **Fire Management Update** advised that the project programme dates for the full fire investment programme have been agreed with Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service (MWWFRS).

¹ There is a lack of confidence that any action in place is sufficient to address the issue satisfactorily and/or within the scope of the operational team or executive to resolve. Engagement, action or intervention required.

² There are areas of concern where assurance has been taken on actions in place but requires close monitoring. An early warning of an emerging and potentially serious concern.

³ There is confidence that actions are robust and will be sufficient to address the issue or generally operating effectively. Routine monitoring.

- Assurance was received on **Fire Safety Training** as Training Needs Analysis has taken place for fire safety training and plans are in place to strengthen training material.
- The **RIDDOR – All Wales Benchmark Update** confirmed that the Health Board is operating in compliance with the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrence Regulations 2013 (RIDDOR).
- **Policy 703 – Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH)** was reviewed by the group and agreed to be approved by Chair's Action.
- The **Policy Extension Request for Policy 323 - Closed Circuit Television (CCTV), Policy 170 - Lone Worker and Procedure 767 - New and Expectant Mothers / Birthing Parents Procedure** was agreed to allow time for review by the Trade Union/Staff Partnership Forum. The policies will be tabulated for approval at the HSC meeting on 4 March 2025.

Review of Risks/ Adolygiad o Risgiau

The Committee reviewed the corporate risks which are aligned to it. As part of its review, the Committee considered the status of each risk and the current score of each risk and were assured by the **Corporate Risks Assigned to HSC** report that identified controls are in place and are working effectively.

Sharing of learning/ Rhannu dysgu

Not applicable.

Recommendation/ Argymhelliad

The Board is asked to **note** the items the Committee is advising them of and **take assurance** from the items that the Committee is providing assurance on.

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