

# **EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**Cabinet Member

**REF No: 142/24** 

A4 Comico Area	Community Onen Change and Facilities
A1 Service Area	Community, Open Spaces and Facilities Management
A2 Title	Corporate Health and Safety Policy
A3 Decision Taken By	Cabinet Member/ Leader/ Deputy Leader (please delete as appropriate)
A4 Chief Officer	Please print name: Andy O'Brien
	Please sign name: (Approval via email 22/04/2024)
A5 Leader / Deputy Leader	Please print name: Cllr M. Fitzpatrick
	Please sign name: (Approval via email 05/04/2024)
A6 Date of Decision	24 <sup>th</sup> April 2024

# **Confidential or Exempt Information**

A7 Does this decision contain Confidential Information?	No
<b>A7.1</b> Does this Decision contain Exempt Information as described in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972?	No
A7.2 If yes, please state relevant paragraph from Schedule 12A LGA 1972.	N/A

### **Conflict of Interest**

Are there any conflicts of interest to declare? No

(If "Yes" please contact the Chief Executive before making the Decision. A note of dispensation should be attached).



# Scrutiny/Audit

**A8** Which Committee should this decision be submitted to? (*Please tick as appropriate*)

Scrutiny (Value for Money Council) Committee
Scrutiny (Regeneration Development and Market Hall) Committee
Scrutiny (Health and Wellbeing) Committee

Scrutiny (Climate Change and Environment) Committee
Audit Committee

<b>B1</b> What is the Decision?	To approve the reviewed Corporate Health and Safety Policy
<b>B2</b> What are the reasons for the Decision?	Policy must be reviewed annually.
<b>B2</b> Alternative options considered and rejected?	N/A
<b>B3</b> What are the contributions to Corporate Priorities?	East Staffordshire Borough Council is committed to providing and maintaining a healthy and safe place of work for all its employees, as well as taking all reasonable steps to ensure that the public and the environment (which may be affected by the work of the Council) are exposed to the lowest practicable level of risk.
<b>B4</b> What are the Human Rights considerations?	There are no Human Rights issues arising from this decision.

# **Financial Implications**

<b>B5</b> What are the financial	There are no direct financial issues arising from
implications?	this decision.

Revenue	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26

Capital	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26

The finance section has been	Please print name: James Hopwood
approved by the following member	
of the Financial Management Unit:	Please sign name: (Approval via email
	20/03/2024)

#### **Policy Framework**

<b>B6</b> Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's policy framework?	Yes
<b>B6.1</b> If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)?	N/A
<b>B6.</b> 2 Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?	N/A
<b>B7</b> Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's budget?	Yes
<b>B7.1</b> If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)?	N/A
<b>B7.2</b> Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?	N/A

#### **Equalities Implications**

- **B8.1** Positive (Opportunities/Benefits): The Corporate Health and Safety Policy does not have an effect on equalities but does bring positive health benefits.
- **B8.2** Negative (Threats): None
- **B8.3** The subject of this decision is a policy, strategy, function or service that is new or being revised. An equality impact assessment is not required.
- **B8.4** The equality impact assessment identified the following actions to be carried out: N/A

#### Risk Assessment

**B9** What are the Risk Assessment implications:

#### **B9.1** Positive (Opportunities/Benefits):

- Improved health and safety of employees, elected members, contractors and members of the public.
- Reduction in time lost through accidents and ill health.
- Organisational: to making adequate resources available for health and safety.
- Setting of health and safety objectives.

**B9** What are the Risk Assessment implications:

- Developing suitable procedures and safe systems.
- Delegation of specific responsibilities to others.
- Monitoring the effectiveness of others in carrying out their responsibilities.
- Monitoring health and safety standards within the workplace and feeding concerns up through the organisation.
- Compliance with health and safety legislation, HSE approved codes of practice, guidance and industry best practice.

B9.2 Negative (Threats): None

**B9.3** The risks do not need to be entered in the Risk Register. Any financial implications to mitigate against these risks are considered above.

#### **Legal Considerations**

**B10** What are the Legal Considerations: The policy fulfils the requirement of legislation.

**B10.1** There are no significant legal issues arising from this decision. However the Council, as an employer, is required to have a written health and safety policy. The authority also has a duty to ensure that the policy is, where necessary, updated and that it complies with its health and safety duties.

#### This section has been approved by the following member of the Legal Team

Please print name: John Teasdale

Please sign name: (Approval via email 21/03/2024)

#### **Environmental Impacts**

**B11** What are the Environmental Impacts:

Consider impacts related to the Climate Change & Nature Strategy aims:

- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions (climate change mitigation)
- Preparing for future climate change (adaptation)
- Protecting and enhancing nature
- Using resources wisely and minimising waste and pollution

**B11.1** The impacts are **not significant** and are set out below without enhanced consideration by the Council's Climate Change and Adaptation Officers.

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**B11.2** Positive Impacts (Opportunities/Benefits):

**B11.3** Negative (Threats):

## **Health & Safety Implications**

**B12** What are the Health & Safety implications:

**B12.1** N/A

**B12.2** N/A

**B12.3** N/A

**B12.3.1** Positive (Benefits): The policy provides a statement of intent for the management of Health and Safety with in the Council.

B12.3.2 Negative (Threats): None

#### **Key Decision**

**B13** Is this a Key Decision?

No

Note: A Key Executive Decision is one where:

- 1. REVENUE Any contract or proposal with an annual payment or saving of more than £100,000
- 2. CAPITAL Any capital project with a value in excess of £150,000
- 3. A decision which significantly affects communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards.

B13.1 If this is a Key Decision, is this an urgent decision such that a delay caused by use of the Call-in Procedure would <u>seriously</u> prejudice the public interest?	N/A
B13.2 If yes, has the Mayor or in his/her absence the Deputy Mayor or in his/her absence the Chair of the relevant Scrutiny Committee agreed that the decision will be exempt from Call-in?	N/A

NOTE: If this decision is subject to the Call-in Procedure it will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of 3 working days after publication – unless 10 Members of the Council call in the decision.

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