Agenda item 10

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Summary

This standing report to the Council Matters Committee provides updates on the following:

- 1. Health & Safety (accidents and incidents)
- 2. Liability claims
- 3. Property claims
- 4. Risk management
- 5. Training

1. Health & Safety

Accidents and incidents

There was an accident in Rodden Meadow on Sunday 14 July; when someone heading to the Meadowfest event tripped and fell.

This accident was reported to the Health & Safety Executive (the HSE) because the person who fell was taken directly from Rodden Meadow to the Accident & Emergency in Frome (thereby qualifying the fall as a notifiable accident).

We have not received any follow-up correspondence from the HSE since reporting the accident on Wednesday 17 July.

We have also been in touch with the person who fell; who was and is recovering after the accident.

2. Liability claims

Existing claims

• Zurich's case relating to the accident at the Old Showfield (reported in September 2016) has now been closed: and the claim has been denied.

We have contacted Zurich to ask what actions the claimant can now take (if any) i.e. Is this a final decision; or is there any appeals process?

• The accident along the riverside path between Weylands and Welshmill that was reported in December 2017 remains open; and remains with Zurich on behalf of FTC.

New claims

The Council hasn't received any new liability claims since the last Council Matters meeting on 3 July 2019.

3. Property claims

The Town Hall Steward is progressing our claim in respect of the accidental damage to one of the pillars and the joining wall of the car park at the Town Hall.

4. Risk management

Site risk assessments for Welshmill and the Roundhouse were formally approved at the last Council Matters meeting on 3 July 2019.

5. Staff Training

In progress / ongoing

- Peter W: ILCA and SLCC Clerk's Qualification
- Kate H: Masters in Community Regeneration
- Anna F: Certificate in Social Enterprise Support

Completed

- Dave K and Mark B attended a community tree planting seminar near Glastonbury
- Jess completed a Level 2 Award in Food Safety for Catering
- Chloe, Hannah P, Helen, Nykki, Peter, Sarah, Sean and Cllr Mark Dorrington attended defibrillator training
- Paul attended the SLCC Leadership in Action conference in July that included an update on relevant legislation
- Chloe, Hannah P and Cllr Anne Hills attended Code of Conduct training from SALC
- Vivienne W attended a 2-day Facilitators course and a Good Business Bootcamp course
- Chloe B and Laura H became Community Connectors with Mendip Health Connections
- Laura H attended a 2-day bootcamp on video content production