

Agenda item 10

For information - Health & Safety update

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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

1. Accidents and incidents

We've received a report of an accident in the town centre – of someone tripping or falling near the fountain. This report has come from the person who fell.

We've emailed the person about this; asking them to write to us to provide more information about what happened. That way we can investigate further; and/or pass the report to our insurance company.

NB. This could be the same accident that was noted in the last update (when a similar-sounding accident had been reported by someone who witnessed a fall here)

We've also received a report of a trip and accident in the children's play area at Mary Baily.

2. Liability claims

Existing claims

None at this time.

New claims

The Council hasn't received any new liability claims since the Council meeting on 4 May 2022.

3. Property claims

None at this time.

4. Risk management

Site risk assessments continue to be updated for the parks, spaces and buildings that we're responsible for; reflecting the changes and improvements to these places as they happen.

As reported at the May Council Matters meeting, we are no longer legally required to separately consider Covid in our risk assessments.

However we are monitoring the infection numbers nationally and locally – in case there is a need or a desire to reintroduce separate Covid risk assessments (and by way of those risk assessments, reintroduce Covid measures and guidance for the Council)