



St Edmundsbury  
BOROUGH COUNCIL

# A651

## Cabinet 28 April 2010

### Recommendations from the Central Safety Panel: 22 March 2010 (May10/08)

*Cabinet Member: Cllr David Ray    Chairman of the Panel: Cllr Jim Thorndyke*

#### 1. Proposed Amendments to the Health and Safety Policy

**RECOMMENDED:-**

*That, subject to the approval of full Council, Amendments 003 to 009 inclusive, as contained in Report A581, to the Health and Safety Policy be approved.*

The Panel considered Report A581 (previously circulated) which sought approval of proposed amendments to parts of the Council's Health and Safety Policy as follows:-

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| Amendment 003 | Lone Workers: The amendment sought to include Councillors within the scope of this policy.   |
| Amendment 004 | Personal Safety A Guide for Councillors: This was a new section providing guidance to elected Members on Health and Safety considerations arising out of the performance of their duties.  |
| Amendment 005 | Driving to Work: This amended the procedure for random drug and alcohol testing.   |
| Amendment 006 | Safe Driving Guidance: This provided clarification about steps to be taken in the event of a vehicle breakdown.  |
| Amendment 007 | Organisation: This restated officer responsibilities in the light of a staff restructuring whereby the former Assistant Chief Executive had been appointed as Director Community retaining the role of 'Health and Safety Director'. |

- Amendment 008      First Aid: This provided new definitions for First Aiders as persons trained in First Aid at Work' (FAW) and 'Appointed Persons' as 'persons trained in Emergency First Aid at Work' (EFAW) and new training requirements in line with recent changes made within the FAW Approved Code of Practice.
- Amendment 009      Machinery Plant and Tools: This amended the Policy for random drug and alcohol testing.

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