APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT HEALTH AND SAFETY ENFORCEMENT POLICY FOR CONSULTATION

Committee: Regulatory Services Committee

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1.0 **ISSUE**

The Council needs to update its Health and Safety Enforcement Policy in line with the Health and Safety Executive's enforcement policy statement and other minor changes to the Executive's guidance.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

- 2.1 The Committee is requested to:
 - 2.1.2 Consider the draft East Cambridgeshire District Council Health and Safety Enforcement Policy at Appendix 1;
 - 2.1.2 Delegate the authority for agreeing the Policy to the Environmental Services Manager in consultation with Chair of Regulatory Services if no comments are received during the 6 week consultation period

3.0 **BACKGROUND/OPTIONS**

- 3.1 Officers authorised by East Cambridgeshire District Council carry out statutory functions according to health and safety laws.
- 3.2 The Health and Safety Executive requires East Cambridgeshire District Council to have an enforcement policy that is in line with its own enforcement policy statement.
- 3.3 This draft policy is aligned with the Council's Corporate Enforcement Protocol, it also includes a general statement in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulations that came into force this year.
- 3.4 The policy was last updated in 2015, no responses were received during the 12 week consultation period. As the amendment to the revised policy are minor it is suggested that a 6 week consultation period with relevant stakeholders and the general public will provide sufficient time for comment.

If the Council receive no comments/responses during the consultation period it is requested that delegated authority be passed to Environmental Services Manager in conjunction with the Chair of Regulatory Services to agree the Health and Safety enforcement Policy for publication.

4.0 **ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS**

The draft enforcement policy allows the Council to satisfy the requirements of the Health and Safety Executive to have an enforcement policy in line with its own enforcement policy statement.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 The cost of officer time spent collating and circulating the documents and that of reviewing the responses before submitting responses/ amendments to the committee.
- 5.2 Equality Impact Assessment IST completed and attached.

6.0 **APPENDICES**

6.1. Draft Health and Safety Enforcement Policy 2018

Background Documents	Location	Contact Officer
Health and Safety Enforcement Policy	Room:	Name: Jenny Winslet
Statement	SF202	Position: Senior Environmental
http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/hse41.pdf	The	Health Officer
Health and Safety Executive National	Grange,	(01353) 616466
Local Authority (LA) Enforcement Code	Ely	È-mail:
http://www.hse.gov.uk/lau/national-la-	-	jenny.winslet@eastcambs.gov.uk
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