



TODMORDEN TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT TO THE EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

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SUBJECT	Health and Safety Policy

PURPOSE:

1. To advise Members that as part of ongoing policy development work, there is a need for an updated Health and Safety Policy to be considered, allowing for legislative changes and good practice to be introduced.
2. To present to Members a Health and Safety Policy for adoption – see Appendix 1

BACKGROUND:

3. Members are aware from previous reports that as part of continuing improvement existing policies are being reviewed as well as introducing new ones.
4. There is not a current Health and Safety Policy in place noting a YLCA health check in 2017 identified this as a key document that was missing, and only a draft unfinished version in 2018 held in our records.
5. The Health and Safety Policy has in a broadly similar version, been approved by Peninsula.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

6. Whilst there are none directly arising from this report, it is good practice to have this policy in place in order to first of all follow good practice to mitigate the risk of injury and secondly to help defend any potential legal challenge to the Town Council in the unfortunate event of an accident.

RECOMMENDATION:

7. That Members of the Emergency Committee review the Health and Safety Policy before them.
8. That if in agreement, Members of the Emergency Committee resolve to adopt this Policy

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

9. To provide Members with the opportunity to consider this policy
10. Formal approval is required to adopt this Policy.

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS:

11. Adopting this Policy help improve Town Council Safety and Governance

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

12. An updated Policy will be adopted arising out of this report.

DETAILS OF CONSULTATION:

13. None

SUPPORTING PAPERS:

- Appendix 1 Health and Safety Policy