REPORT TO: Corporate Services Policy & Performance

Board

DATE: 5th June 2018

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director – Enterprise Community

Resources

PORTFOLIO: Resources

SUBJECT: Corporate Accident / Incident Report 1.4.17 to

31.3.18

WARD(S) Borough-wide

1.0 **PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To report on the performance of health safety management within the Authority for 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2018.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION: That**

- 1. the report be received; and
- 2. the Board notes the performance of health and safety management within the Authority for 2016/17.

3.0 **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 3.1 The annual report on the performance of health safety management for the current financial year is appended.
- 3.2 It highlights national and local health and safety information together with performance and incident trends which form the basis for the Recommended Actions for 2018/19.
- 3.3 In order to be proactive in health and safety management it also highlights the number of completed risk assessments and training delivered to staff.
- In the General Information section it highlights action taken with regard to the Wellbeing (Stress) survey, fire management within the Authority as a result of the Grenfell fire tragedy and a Benchmarking exercise with other Unitary Authorities.
- There has an increase in the number of accidents leading to 'days lost', with 24 this year and 19 last year. This is commensurate with the increase in the number of actual 'days lost' with 269 this year and 173 last year and the increase in the number of 'over 7 day'

absences and Specified Injuries (as reported under RIDDOR).

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The provision of a safe working environment and reduction in accidents is important in order to provide efficient and effective delivery of services (the sixth priority in the Corporate Plan)

5.0 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 There are no financial implications.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

The provision of a safe working environment and reduction in accidents is important in order to provide:

- 6.1 **A Healthy Halton**
- 6.2 A Safer Halton
- 6.3 Efficient and Effective Delivery of Services
- 7.0 RISK ANALYSIS
- 7.1 Accidents which lead to lost time have financial implications for the authority (although these are always secondary to our concern for the well-being of staff and customers).

8.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 There are no direct equality and diversity issues arising from this report.