

PART 2

POLICY STATEMENT

West Suffolk Council recognises its responsibility to ensure so far as is reasonably practicable the health, safety and welfare of all its employees and to conduct its undertaking in such a way as to prevent the public and others not employed by the Council from being exposed to risks to their health and safety.

West Suffolk Council acknowledges that an effective health and safety policy contributes to a better business performance by reducing injuries and ill-health, protecting the environment and reducing unnecessary losses and liabilities. The Council will take all steps within its power to meet these aims, and in particular will pay attention to:-

- The regular assessment of risks arising from the conduct of its activities, and the monitoring of measures designed to control those risks;
- Safe plant equipment and systems of work;
- Safe places of work and safe access to and from them;
- All information, instruction and training necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of its employees;
- The provision of competent advice including technical advice on health and safety matters to all staff throughout the council;
- The provision of effective consultation with its employees on health, safety and welfare matters, and the promotion and development of health and safety at work;
- The award of contracts for goods and services to persons or organisations able to demonstrate full compliance with health and safety legislation; and
- The monitoring and review of this policy.



Ian Gallin
Chief Executive
West Suffolk Council
April 2019



Councillor John Griffiths
Leader of the Council
St Edmundsbury Borough Council
April 2019



Councillor James Waters
Leader of the Council
Forest Heath District Council
April 2019

(The policy was adopted prior to the creation of the West Suffolk Council therefore it includes signatures from the leaders of the old councils - St Edmundsbury Borough Council and Forest Heath District Council.)

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