

22/39 Matters Arising from Previous Meetings

SAF22-P36

39.1 Actions arising from previous minutes were NOTED and their current status confirmed.

39.2 Arising from M21/21.2 *LSU Update* the Director of HSW would seek data on incident rates at other students' unions from the University Safety and Health Association. This was said to be due at a large pro

22/40 Health, Safety and Environment Update: School of Sport, Exercise and Health Sciences

SAF22-P37

- 40.1 The Committee RECEIVED a presentation by the Dean and Operations Manager on health, safety and environmental arrangements in the School.
- 40.2 The Dean and Operations Manager wished to express their thanks to the Strategic Scientific Technical Lead (SSTL) for her support and advice regarding aspects of compliance with Human Tissue Authority (HTA) requirements. The Committee noted the significant compliance-related activity undertaken within the School in recent months. It was reassured that the School could demonstrate that it was on track to meet the requirements.

22/41 Health, Safety and Environment Update: Sports Development Centre

SAF22-P38

- 41.1 The Committee RECEIVED a presentation by the Executive Director of Sport and the Head of Performance Programmes on health, safety and environmental arrangements in the Centre.
- 41.2 The following points were NOTED in particular:

- (i) The Sports Development Centre (SDC) had taken on the health and safety responsibilities relating to

22/43 Future Business

SAF22-P41

The Committee APPROVED a plan for the Committee's business for the period February 2023 to February 2024.

22/44 Health, Safety and Environment Update: Fire Legislation, Strategy, Risks and Compliance

SAF22-P42, SAF22-P43

44.1 The Committee RECEIVED the University Fire Officer's report and a presentation on Fire Legislation, Strategy, Risks and Compliance. It noted recent changes in legislation in relation to fire safety. It noted, in particular, the Fire Safety Act (2021) and the Building Safety Act (2022) and potential implications of the Acts for the University.

44.2 Members were informed that the University was required to appoint an Accountable Person to oversee compliance with the Building Safety Act. Infrastructure Co-ordinator, Dr. [Name], is the Accountable Person for the University. The Accountable Person will be responsible for ensuring the University complies with the Building Safety Act. The Accountable Person will also be responsible for ensuring the University complies with the Building Safety Act. The Accountable Person will also be responsible for ensuring the University complies with the Building Safety Act.

needed to weigh these risks against the cost of mitigation. RAG ratings should be completed to aid these judgements as part of the risk register / business continuity planning conducted by Schools and Professional Services.

44.10 In answer to a query about the potential response to a fire in a computer lab which was open out of office hours, the University Fire Officer confirmed that the fire would result in an immediate response from the Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service.

22/45 Director of Health, Safety & Wellbeing Report and Covid Update

SAF22-P44

45.1 Members RECEIVED an update from the Director of Health, Safety and Wellbeing.

45.2 The following points were NOTED in particular:

- (i) The University had received its first formal request for the approval of an emotional support dog. Risk assessments had been conducted, and areas which might be impacted by the presence of the dog consulted. The University’s policy on dogs on campus would be amended to incorporate guidance on emotional support dogs.
ACTION: Director HSW
- (ii) The Fieldwork Policy was being reviewed through Project Enable with the aim of simplifying it.
- (iii) Cases of Covid 19 were increasing nationally. However, no significant variants of concern were being reported. The Health and Safety Service was not envisaging the need to impose Covid-related restrictions in the foreseeable future.
- (iv) Numbers of Monkey Pox cases were also increasing nationally. It was anticipated that Public Health England would publish Monkey Pox guidance in coming weeks.

22/46 Health and Safety Strategic Long-term Plan

SAF22-P45

The Committee NOTED the Health and Safety Strategic Long-term Plan. The Plan gave an overview of the short-term priorities and long-term strategy of the Health, Safety and Wellbeing Service.

48.2 Members noted, in particular, issues which remained a concern and so influenced the rating decision. These were risks arising from the Covid pandemic, the risks of legionella and fire, and the risks of HTA and gas-safety non-compliance. Mitigations

22/52 Sustainability Strategy

SAF22-P52

52.1 The Committee RECEIVED the proposed new Sustainability Strategy on recommendation from the Sustainability Sub-Committee.

