SDNPA Health and Safety Committee Agenda Chanctonbury Meeting Room and Teams 10:00-12:00 Tuesday 3 December 2024



Attendees: Nigel James (Chair), Vicky Paterson, Bruno Aveiro, Kate Miles, Gill Welsman, Natacha Bricks-Yonow, Richard Fryer, Paul Bushell, Dominic Sunderland, Phillippa Morrison-Price, Amanda Elmes, Jon Wayte, Richard Sandiford, Kirsten Fewings

Apologies: Sam Cordery, Adam Duncombe, Laura Sercombe

	Subject	Papers	Key outcomes and actions	Due date	Owner
١.	Welcome and Apologies (NJ/KM)		Welcome to Kirsten and Richard S		
			Apologies from Laura, Sam and Adam		
2.	Consider items for AOB (KM)		• BA – Aspirin		
			NB-Y - Midhurst Store		
			PMP - Recovery of vehicles & walking boots		
3.	Minutes from last meetings (NJ)	Yes	• Update on Stanmer, KM advises that temporary repairs were made the same day as the break in and contractors arrived yesterday to start the permanent repairs. New, secure storage units are now in place and replacements tools are on order.		
			 We are also looking at changes to the CCTV and alarm system with B&HCC as the Landlords. 		
			 Lunch and Learn sessions have been promoted – CLOSED 		
			Hybrid meetings – CLOSED		
			• DSE – reminders have been sent again		
			 ACTION – all reps to remind staff to complete assessments and outstanding actions 	ALL	
			 Area reps have shared the newsletter with their teams – CLOSED 		
			• Management of contractors – on this agenda		

4.	Accident, incident and near misses (BA)	Yes	 Item 5, well done to the staff involved, we cannot force public to have first aid. Item 12, Stanmer Update see above – JW advised that HAVS assessments will need to be done and to use the situation to replace with equipment that is quieter and lower exposure to vibration. PMP advised that we are already doing that and will be going 50/50 with electric units ACTION – PMP to send info to Bruno New entry on the Dangerous and Difficult Sites (DDS) map. Listed through a planning complaint, not an incident. BA advised that we are switching systems and all info on the DDS will be ported over. AE noted that it is positive that near misses are coming through and enable us to make changes before actual incidents occur. ACTION – thanks all staff for reporting 	PMP/BA KM
5. 6.	Sickness Stats (VP) Safeguarding (AE)	Yes	 VP, consistent as before, nothing major to highlight. Coughs and colds going up possibly because as COVID testing and reporting has dropped No work related injuries or stress which is very positive to see ACTION – Raise at OMT, managers to challenge when people work from home when they are ill. Take time off to recover. Nothing to report 	VP
7.	SSCP Update (BA)		 One wash up session due in March then will start again with the new starters. Training has been well received with very positive feedback BA and KM on site regularly 	

		 Issues with the new sewerage system location being easily accessible. Tanks and gates left unsecured. Remedial actions in place and ongoing including purchasing padlocks, signage, installing additional fencing and hedging to block access and raising back to the project manager. ACTION – BA to catch up with CO on safety and outstanding issues ACTION – KM, BA, VP to meet to discuss issues. Tree surveys in the car park? Who does this and how often does this occur? Advised that Sylvia has now been trained but there is also a contractor to assist. ACTION - BA to confirm how often. 	ва КМ, ВА,VР ВА
8.	Feedback from P&R Committee (VP)	 H&S work was really well received by the Members They questioned why the number of accident and near misses weren't dropping but were happy with the explanation that accidents / near misses are inevitable and that our accidents, incidents and near misses are on par with other National Parks. Will roll out another staff survey for H&S Training sessions for bullying and harassment to be rolled out in February 	
9.	H&S Audit (VP/BA)	 We received a substantial assurance – this is really good! Despite this there were three actions; I medium risk – regarding management of contractors, which we are already looking into. 2 low risks - H&S policy to update the statement of intent and with safety performance measures, which we will be benchmarking via JW. ACTION - BA to chat with JW outside this meeting VP congratulated the work of Bruno, Kate and the whole committee in achieving this excellent result. 	March

10.	Update from SDC incident protocol working group (NJ)		 Thanks to GW and AE for working on this. New protocol has been rolled out on a trial basis and will be reviewed by OMT in January. KM advises that it has already been put to use with an incident yesterday where a member of the public refused to leave Reception until they had spoken to a manager. ACTION – all reps to encourage their teams to feedback to their managers on what works, what doesn't work etc. JW raised additional training for all managers so they are well prepared – VP advises that in the protocol there is a link to an Elms course due to the speed in which we had to implement this but will also be incorporated into the bullying and harassment training that will be rolled out in February. 	ALL
11.	Health and Wellbeing Update (VP)		 Lunch and Learn sessions are running and are well attended. Future events will include learning about invisible disabilities. Lots more involvement from staff. ACTION - Does anyone have any ideas for future sessions? 	ALL
12.	Forward Plan (NJ)	Yes	 Site audit in the West due in Q4 Eastern area review went well Generic risk assessment review due Health screening for ranger teams (for noise and HAVS) have now been booked, one in the east and one at SDC New starters will be assessed via a bespoke platform with an email survey in the first instance 	
13.	Training (BA)		 ACTION - Ranger teams to send certificates / tickets to HR for upload into the training system Upcoming training, there are places still available on the following courses; 	Area Reps

14.	Current H&S Update (JW & BA)	To follow	 First aid training – 26 and 27 February (including emergency first aid and first aid in the workplace) Outdoor first aid at SSCP – 5 and 6 March First aid plus forestry at SDC – 12 and 12 March Places can be booked via an email to HRtraining@ Newsletter due out next week No updates to legislation BA – dangerous sites register, going to add an extra 	
15.	Any other business		 BA – dangerous sites register, going to add an extra layer to ensure host authorities can access. Meeting admin – Kirsten has joined as a Business Admin Apprentice and will be providing support to 	
	 Meeting admin (KM) Use of aspirin (BA) Midhurst Store (NB-Y) Recovery of vehicles (PMP) Walking boots (PMP) 		 Midhurst Store, people feel unsafe dropping the van back at night and with other tenants making comments on site. Please report all issues to KM and then raise an incident report 	ALL
			 Aspirin – BA advises that we will be including Aspirin in all SDNPA first aid kit along with a guidance note. BA will order bulk supplies from Midhurst Pharmacy. Please advise BA when replacements are required. 	ALL
			• ACTION - All to advise on amount of first aid kits in your areas	ALL
			 ACTION – all members to please review the document in the Teams folder 	ALL
			• Vehicles recovery, send to BA for checking	
			 Walking boots – PMP advises that other National Parks get £150 allowance to purchase walking boots but we only offer £85 	
16.	Final words from Chair (NJ)		 ACTION - VP to speak to other NP's for guidance This is Nigel's last meeting and he thanked everyone for the last two years. This is the most important 	VP

		•	group and the most important role in the organisation. Thank you all Nigel was thanked by the committee for his work over the last two years.	
17.	Items for Update / Intranet	٠	Thanking staff for reporting near misses	
		٠	Reminding staff and managers about sickness	
		•	Lunch and Learn sessions – including requests for items, not necessarily to run a session	

Next meeting: 10:00-12:00 Tuesday 4 March 2025