

Summary of key activities in the Health and Safety Work Programme for 2008-09

- To carry out 350 high or medium risk inspections.
- To investigate approximately 250 health & safety complaints.
- To action approximately 300 accident reports and carry out full investigations of 20% of reportables.
- To enter into a Lead Authority Partnership (LAP) arrangement with Dudley based Initial Facilities Services (a business providing cleaning services nationally) and HSE.
- To deliver Fit 3 projects including:
 - (i) Falls from Height in relation to the role of building/facilities managers and contractors
 - (ii) Progress the manual handling campaign in the furniture and carpet handling trade
 - (iii) Slips and trips initiative in supermarkets, care homes and catering premises.
 - (iv) Reduction in contact dermatitis initiative in hairdressers, beauty salons and nail bars
 - (v) Raising awareness on all inspections of the duty to manage asbestos in premises and alert dutyholders to publicity campaign.
 - (vi) Project to implement the new Control of Noise at Work Regulations in pubs and clubs, including production of advice packs followed by visits to check compliance and the carrying out of enforcement where necessary
- Carry out 1400 smoke free inspections of workplaces and public places, investigate complaints, respond to enquiries, provide advice and guidance and enforce where necessary.
- Continue to implement new Dudley byelaws for cosmetic piercing (including body piercing) and semi-permanent skin tattooing.
- Provide advice to licensed premises on bonfire and firework safety.
- Co-ordinate and report achievements of the Joint Accident Prevention Strategy and Action Plan 2005-08 to the Health Improvement and Modernisation Management Team (HIMMT) of the Dudley Health and Well Being Partnership. Reconvene Steering Group to produce the Joint Accident Prevention Strategy for 2009-2012 and three year action plans.