

336. HEALTH AND SAFETY SERVICES HALF YEAR REPORT

The following key items were noted:

- i. A new audit package based on OHSAS 18001 / 2 has been developed allowing the University to benchmark current health and safety performance and set future targets. L Fowlie was thanked for her work in preparing the package.
- ii. A preliminary Radon Survey has been completed and furthering monitoring is underway.
- iii. The Biohazard audit, put on hold over the holiday period has now recommenced.
- iv. Document Development: A new Radiation Handbook has been produced pulling together three separate documents into one 'easy to use' guide. In addition, practical Information Sheets covering a range of laboratory and chemical hazards have been produced. A training package providing a step by step guide on undertaking COSHH Assessments is also under development. Dr J Latchford and S Barnes were thanked for their work.
- v. Health Support Promotion: A summary was given of the following promotional activities which were well received and supported across the University, raising over £2,500 for Ty Gobaith over the last 18 months:
 - Weight Loss Challenge.
 - Alcohol Awareness.
 - The Flipper Club (swimming group).
 - Summer Time / Lunch Time Walks.

Bangor University has been shortlisted for a national award in health promotion demonstrating the University's health systems are comparable to other national organisations such as British Telecom and E.ON. Future health initiatives include:

- Food for Life Project aimed at improving the diet of staff and students.
 - Cycling Group to encourage health and fitness amongst staff and students.
 - Efforts to secure funding from the Ryder Cup 2010 to encourage health through golf.
- vi. Interim Health and Safety Statistics:
 - Long Term Sickness: The number of staff on long term sickness shows a slight drop

337. COLLEGE AND DEPARTMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY SELF EVALUATION REPORT

It was noted the purpose of the exercise was to determine the University's current position with regards to health and safety management in Colleges / Departments, and was not intended to provide a 'league' table of results but rather to identify strengths and where support could be

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in Ocean Sciences had not been installed despite funds being made available in May. The Director of Estates & Facilities agreed to look into the matter.

- ii. The next scheduled meetings of the Committee are:

Friday 19th February, 10.00 am

Friday 21st May, 10.00am