

Broads Authority

29 November 2024 Agenda item number 18

Revised Health, Safety and Wellbeing Policy

Report by Director of Operations

Purpose

To update Members on the Authority's revised wording in section 2.1.3 of the Health, Safety & Wellbeing Policy.

Broads Plan context

C4 – Maintain and improve safety and security standards and user behaviour on the waterways

Recommended decision

To endorse the revised wording in section 2.1.3 of the Health, Safety & Wellbeing Policy.

1. Introduction

1.1. At the Broads Authority meeting on 20 September 2024, Members unanimously endorsed the <u>Revised Health, Safety and Wellbeing Policy</u> with the exclusion of paragraph 2.1.3, which it was agreed would be revised in line with Members' comments and concerns and brought back to the November meeting of the Broads Authority.

2. Suggested re-wording

2.1. At the Committee meeting, members expressed a preference to change the wording in paragraph 2.1.3 to describe their 'accountability for health and safety matters'; therefore, we suggest:

"Broads Authority Members play a crucial role in guiding the organisation to provide strong leadership and clear direction on health and safety issues, ensuring that processes and procedures effectively manage safety risks and maintain their integrity."

To be inserted in paragraph 2.1.3 to replace the original words:

"The Members of the Broads Authority are responsible for ensuring that the Chief Executive is adequately resourced and supported in achieving compliance with the legal requirements of the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and its regulations." Author: Rob Rogers Date of report: 14 November 2024 Background papers: None <u>Broads Plan</u> strategic objectives: strategic objectives: C4 Appendix 1 – <u>Revised Health, Safety and Wellbeing Policy</u>