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HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION

HSC Business Plan 2006/2007

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Issue

1. Approval of HSC Annual Business Plan 2006/07 (attached at Annex 1)

Timing

2. Routine. Ministerial approval is required before publication planned for beginning of the new financial year.

Recommendation

That the Commission approves the business plan subject to comments.

Background

3. HSC is required under the Health and Safety at Work etc Act "to submit to the Secretary of State from time to time particulars of what it proposes to do for the purpose of performing its function". The Business Plan forms part of fulfilling this requirement.

Argument

4. Last year HSC produced a three-year Business Plan covering the period for which funds had been agreed under the Spending Review 2004 (2005/6 – 2007/8). This one-year Plan, which complements last year's document, covers the second year of that period. It aims to be concise, but with links to relevant HSE web pages for further detail.
5. HSC/E's performance in 2005/06 will be formally reported in the Annual Report. However we will also be preparing a brief internal assessment of performance against the activities set out in the 2005/06 plan, including a review of significant risks that occurred, to help future planning.

Action

6. That the Commission approves the Business plan subject to comments.