## Annex A

Noted below is the numbers of referrals taken from HML's latest Quarterly report for the period October 21 – June 22, unless stated otherwise.

- The total number of management referrals from October 21 June 22 was 321 (an 8% increase from the same period of the previous reporting year).
- 29 (9%) of the management referrals were triaged to face to face assessment while 292 (91%) were triaged to remote occupational health advisor assessment.
- The total number of Health Assessment Questionnaires received in the reporting period were 199 with 8% requiring further investigation
- Total number of ill health referrals 15
- The total number of osteopath referrals were 375
- The number and type of Health Surveillance carried out in 21-22 was as follows:

| Health surveillance carried out 2021-2022 |     |  |
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| Audiometry 198                            |     |  |
| Respiratory /lung function                | 200 |  |
| Skin                                      | 204 |  |
| Hand Arm Vibration                        | 186 |  |

Annualised utilisation of the Employee Assistance Service - 2.42% (July 21 – Jun 22)

## **Summary of Current Provision**

| Type of Activity   | Why  | What it covers  |
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| Health Surveillance for specific roles                       | To meet statutory requirement for the council to fulfil its obligations and importantly ensure employees remain safe at work | Carry out an annual programme of health surveillance in the following areas:  Spirometry (breathing test) Audiometry (hearing test) Skin Checks HAV (Hand Arm Vibration) Night and Lone Working HGV |
|  |  | Health surveillance appointments held at our premises on block a week at a time to limit service disruption   |
| Occupational Health Clinical Advice                          | To provide manager with  | All OH referrals are appropriately  |
| (triaged to appropriate health professional e.g., Advisor or | information about ill health / absence and medical   | triaged to the most appropriate clinical route to enable the  |
| professional e.g., Advisor of                                | recommendations to inform appropriate action. Main aim being   | chilical route to chapic the  |

| physician) via a telephonic delivery model where clinically appropriate.                                    | to support employee back into work or help them remain at work  | provision of information to CYC in relation to:   |
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|   |   | <ul> <li>Prognosis;</li> <li>Fitness to work;</li> <li>Restrictions;</li> <li>Adaptations;</li> <li>Likelihood of further absence;</li> <li>Disability legislation;</li> <li>Ill health retirement</li> </ul> |
|   |   | Provide the organisation in the form of a written report with appropriate medical information to help the organisation support the employee and manage the absence from work appropriately and mitigate risk. |
| Provision of data – qualitative as well as quantitative and interpretation of data to recommend actions the | Use of data to help inform not only how contract is working to inform practice around the use of provision but to better inform the | Provide and interpret quarterly MI Interpret and provide recommendations from an occupational health perspective on   |

| organisation might want to consider reducing incidents of absence                           | organisations wellbeing offer and other preventative interventions  | what the organisation might want to put in place.   |
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| Provision of an employee assistance service   | Provide employees with 24/7 access to information that can help reduce potential stressors e.g., budget management, counselling support | Provide an easy accessible employee assistance service (on line and via telephone) to provide advice on a range of topics and issues as well as provide counselling services where clinically appropriate to do so.   |
| Provide and review Health assessment questionnaire (HAQ's) for employees offered employment | On line provision reviewed by exception to ensure we are aware of any ongoing health issues for new employees                           | Provide an initial online screening health assessment questionnaire. Carry out health assessments for "exceptions" (type of assessment to be determined via a triage system) and advise CYC on outcomes. HAQs to be provided for new employees or employees changing roles. |
| Method of referral and reports received via a secure online portal                          | To ensure confidentiality of information  | Easy to use secure online system to refer and receive occupational health reports. Technology platform used to be compatible and able to  |

|  |  | integrate with the Councils infrastructure.   |
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| OH Advisory Line for managers (8.00am to 6.00pm) | Provision of telephone help desk<br>and support for managers<br>regarding heath concerns of<br>employees and the best way to<br>support (recognising referrals may<br>not always be needed | Generic occupational health advice on any health issues affecting CYC employees;  Medication queries in safety critical /customer facing roles; |
|  |  | Pre-referral advice including the timing of a referral;   |
|  |  | Clarification on the referral process<br>for an OH assessment and<br>information on how best to<br>construct the referral;                      |
|  |  | Specific queries about cases and/or updates and amendments  |
| Osteopath service                                | Clinical oversight and management<br>of osteopath service providing<br>closer integration with OH services<br>allowing for horizontal referral<br>pathways                                 | Provision of onsite osteopath service   |

| Buy in as required an ability to hold | For both employee and manager to  | To recommend and hold as          |
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| OH case conferences for use in        | understand issues and best way to | necessary case conferences to     |
| complex cases                         | proceed                           | help support the organisation and |
|                                       |                                   | the employee on the best way to   |
|                                       |                                   | proceed in managing the sickness  |
|                                       |                                   | absence with agreement of         |
|                                       |                                   | employee.                         |
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