

LORD HOWE ISLAND BOARD

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ITEM

Work Health and Safety (WH&S) and Public Risk Management Update

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board note the information provided on Public Risk and WH&S matters.

BACKGROUND

The Board has requested information on Public Risk and WH&S matters be presented on a quarterly basis.

CURRENT POSITION

Workplace Health and Safety

At 31 October 2019 nine claims in total had been lodged for the 2019-20 financial year, details as follows:

2019/20				
No	Date of Injury	Type of Injury	Cause of Injury	Hours lost
1	06/08/2019	Crush injury finger	Attaching claw to excavator	Medical expenses only
2	09/08/2019	Lacerations to leg	Barbed wire	Medical expenses only
3	12/08/2019	Knee sprain	Stepped through lid of septic tank	TBC >484
4	20/08/2019	Facial injury	Accidentally struck by co-worker	7.6
5	29/08/2019	Sprain lateral ankle ligament	Rolled ankle on septic tank	91.07
6	17/10/2019	Crush injury R hand	Hand slammed in car door	Medical expenses only
7	23/10/2019	L eye trauma	Struck in eye by pine needle	Medical expenses only
8	26/10/2019	Severe bruising tendons R wrist	Struck by pallet blown over by wind	Medical expenses only
9	30/10/2019	Sprained knee	Slipped between gravel bags	TBC

Workers compensation statistics for the last five years as at 31 October 2019:

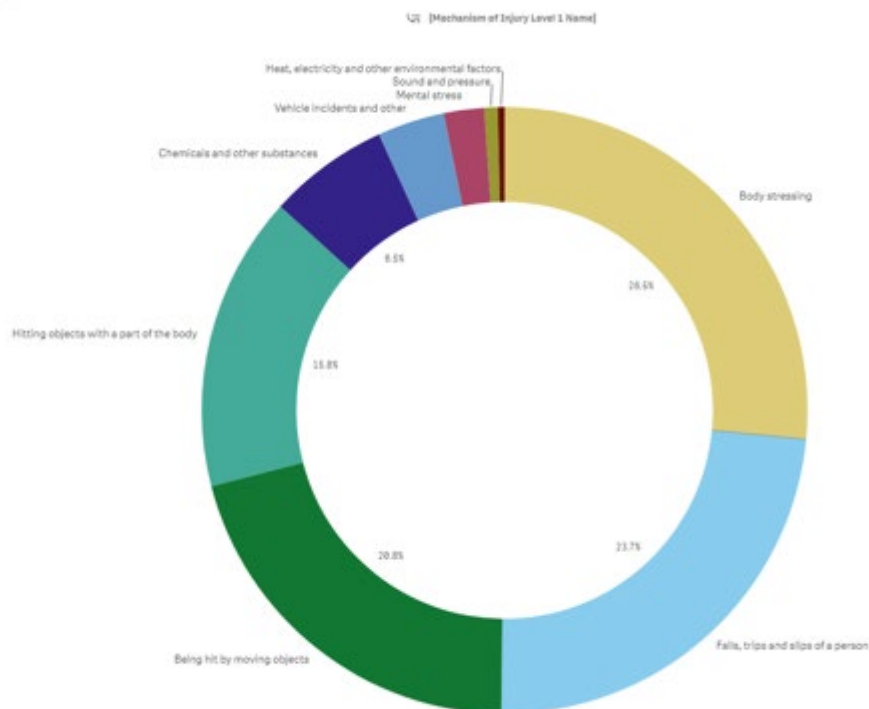
4. Claims Table Summary

(Reportable and non-Reportable Claims)

Last 5 FY Re...	Number of Claims #	Avg Net Incurred Cost	Net Incurred Cost \$	Total Amount Paid \$	Latest Estimate \$	Amount Recovered \$
Totals	279	\$9,392.08	\$2,620,390.96	\$2,119,369.06	\$501,021.90	\$0.00
Before	216	\$8,839.46	\$1,909,323.23	\$1,586,166.74	\$323,156.49	\$0.00
FY 15-16	9	\$4,356.44	\$39,208.00	\$39,208.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
FY 16-17	18	\$14,785.40	\$266,137.13	\$239,755.71	\$26,381.42	\$0.00
FY 17-18	15	\$20,764.76	\$311,471.45	\$197,866.28	\$113,605.17	\$0.00
FY 18-19	12	\$3,850.71	\$46,208.53	\$33,390.73	\$12,817.80	\$0.00
FY 19-20	9	\$5,338.07	\$48,042.62	\$22,981.60	\$25,061.02	\$0.00

3. Mechanism of Injury

(Reportable and non-Reportable Claims)



The 2011/2012 data is not as reliable as they were either not a requirement or not populated back then. Hence some data shows as Not Found and Unknown. *The default presentation of this chart is all historical claims unless filtered by time selection.

The Board reviewed its operational use of Glyphosates resulting in a significant reduction in use and continuing to use strictly in accordance with recommendations, requirements and labels.

Public Risk Management

Bollards have been installed to prevent vehicle traffic on Bowker Avenue between the Hospital and the Cenotaph.

Access track maintenance has been undertaken on Little Island track.

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