## **Tees Active Ltd**

## People Select Committee Hand-out

# **Review of Sickness Absence**

### **Background**

## Who we are- Brief Introduction about Tees Active

## Attendance Data

2004/5

2017/18

Our attendance data is only one indicator of our employee health and well-being.

Supporting the business, managers and employee in health and well-being is a continuous and evolving process.

## CIPD Well-being Pyramid:



The Well-being model has 5 domains of Employee Health and Well-being:

Health, Work, Values & Principles, Collective/Social and Personal Growth



## HEALTH

**Physical health:** Health promotion Good rehabilitation practices, health checks, managing disability, occupational health support.

Physical safety: Safe working practices, safe equipment, personal safety training.

**Mental health:** Stress management, risk assessments, conflict resolution facilitated, training for line managers, managing mental ill health, occupational health support.



## WORK

Working environment: Ergonomically designed working areas, open and inclusive culture

## Good line management:

**Work demands:** Job design, job roles, job quality, workload, working hours, job satisfaction, work–life balance.

Autonomy: Control, innovation, whistleblowing Change management

Communication, involvement, leadership

## Pay and reward.



# VALUES/PRINCIPLES

Supportive leadership and management with a clear mission and objectives.

Ethical standards: Dignity at work and corporate social responsibility.

## Diversity and inclusion.



# COLLECTIVE/SOCIAL

Employee voice: Communication, consultation, genuine dialogue, involvement in decision-making

**Positive relationships**: Management style, team working, healthy relationships with peers and managers, dignity and respect.



### PERSONAL GROWTH

**Career development** mentoring, coaching, performance management, performance development plans, skills utilisation, succession planning.

## Emotional

Positive relationships, financial well-being,

**Lifelong learning,** Performance development plans, access to training, technical and vocational learning, challenging work.

Creativity Open and collaborative culture

## SICKNESS ABSENCE POLICY 2015

Short-term Absence Triggers:

	<u>Stage 1</u>	<u>Stage 2</u>	<u>Stage 3</u>	<u>Stage 4</u>
	1 <sup>st</sup> absence	2 <sup>nd</sup> absence	First Formal	Final Formal
	meeting	meeting	Capability Hearing	Capability Hearing
Trigger	3 occasions or 8 days in rolling 12 months	Further 2 occasions or 6 days within 12 months of stage 1 Meeting	Further 2 occasions or 6 days within 12 months of stage 2 Meeting	Further 2 occasions or 6 days within 12 months of stage 3 Meeting
Chaired	Line Manager	Facility	Director and HR	Director and HR
by		Manager	Advisor	Advisor
Outcome	Verbal Caution	First Written Caution	Final Written Caution	Potential Dismissal

#### Long Term Absence

Normally first meeting triggered after 4 weeks.

Mental health issues may trigger a meeting within 1-2 weeks.

## Also Fundamental to Attendance Management

#### Prevention

Creating a working environment that encourages attendance

**Employee Recognition** 

Dealing with work related issue in a timely and effective manner.

#### **Good Management**

Sickness Absence Policy is:

- Actively Managed
- Mangers are accountable for managing attendance
- Transparent

With defined roles & accountability with effective liaison line managers and HR

**Defined triggers** 

Uses early referral triggers.

Culturally Supportive.

Proactively sign posting managers and staff to support services whilst at work or on return.

Return to Work Interviews/Plans are crucial.

Record, Monitor and Report on Sickness

Use Capability and Disciplinary Policies

#### By Managing Sickness Absence in a consistent way we are emphasising our:

- Expression of concern
- Engagement
- Belonging

### Questions