

Cabinet Decision:	Thursday 15 February 2024
Title of Item/Report	Annual Report of the Independent Safety Advisory Group (ISAG)
Record of the Decision	<p>Consideration was given to a report on the Annual Report of the Independent Safety Advisory Group (ISAG).</p> <p>The ISAG brought together a range of professionals to scrutinise and advise upon event safety processes and systems for outdoor events. The ISAG looks at plans for a wide range of events and festivals in Stockton-on-Tees, focusing on events of a significant scale or complexity. All events of scale on Stockton Council land were subject to review by the ISAG, and where requested ISAG would review event safety plans which were hosted on private land.</p> <p>The ISAG did not take decisions on whether or not an event should go ahead but provided specialist advice and recommendations to landowners, including the Council to enable them to make informed decisions to allow an event or require changes to an event plan. The ISAG provided practical advice and guidance to event organisers and aims to drive up the quality of event plans/safety planning.</p> <p>The ISAG's independent Chair produced an annual report for information, to highlight significant findings and make recommendations for areas of further work.</p>
Reasons for the Decision	The ISAG Chair's report is presented to Cabinet to allow them to see the level and type of scrutiny and challenge being brought to bear in relation to events to ensure the public are properly protected. Cabinet are also able to see and comment upon the areas of further work recommended by the ISAG Chair.
Alternative Options Considered and Rejected	None.
Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest	None.
Details of any Dispensations	
Date and Time by which Call In must be executed	Midnight on 23 February 2024

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