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## **BSC Level 6 Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health**

### **Unit 1 Examination**

**Tuesday 16 February 2010**

**9.30am – 12.30pm**

### **RESOURCE BOOKLET**

**(for use with Question 1)**

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Do not open this booklet until the invigilator tells you to do so.

You may make notes in this resource booklet, but the booklet must be handed in at the end of the examination.

## Scenario

Big Town Leisure (BTL) is a council-owned and managed sports and leisure centre. It was opened in the 1960s and is currently in a poor state of repair due to a lack of council funding. The centre offers a range of facilities and fitness classes including:

- 25 metre swimming pool with leisure slide
- 2 gyms with traditional equipment
- 2 squash courts
- Fitness and yoga classes
- A canteen and cafeteria
- Changing facilities
- Sauna and tanning rooms
- Creche facilities

Behind the scenes, the centre is supported by:

- Oil-fired boiler to heat the pool and centre
- Chemical storage areas
- Waste disposal skips
- Car park

The leisure centre was built in 1962. An asbestos survey was conducted in 1996 which identified traces of asbestos throughout the building. Asbestos was removed in public areas but it remains in the boiler room and in lift shafts. Its condition is not known.

The pool is the hub of the centre. Staffing levels have been cut back and there have been reports of untrained lifeguards supervising pool activities. The centre is currently being sued by a parent of a 12-year-old who suffered minor chemical burns after coming into contact with chlorine that had spilt around the pool side.

Most of the gym equipment is modern and in good condition. However the centre does not have a routine inspection regime to check the condition of equipment used by the public.

A newly-appointed centre manager is aware of most of the problems and has ordered an urgent improvement in housekeeping. He has also sent key staff on a range of health and safety courses. In his words: "You can't put a price on safety."



## **Facts**

- All employees have received a safety induction
- Safety documentation is practically non-existent
- A staff member has recently been assaulted at work
- Faults in the UV tanning lamps have been reported
- Lighting in the car park is poor
- Housekeeping and chemical storage of the chlorine is poor
- No COSHH assessments have been performed