



## **FORTH AND TAY BRANCH**

### **6th Meeting**

#### **McDiarmid Park Perth at 7.30 pm Thursday 2 November 2017**

**Sederunt** : A Fowler (chair), R Atkinson, S Brown, A Cathro, S Dunbar, A Hallyburton, N Helps, C King, G McGhee, C McKenzie, T Mellon, A Pepper, W Reiche, E Stobbie, M Taylor  
Total present =15

#### **Apologies**

A number of apologies were received.

#### **1. Welcome by Chairperson A Fowler**

A Fowler welcomed everyone to the sixth meeting of the Forth and Tay Branch. He reminded the members of the emergency and administrative arrangements and asked that all present ensure they sign the Sederunt.

#### **2. Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> Branch Meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.  
Proposed: S Brown      Seconded: A Pepper

Matters arising. None

#### **3. Correspondence**

IOSH annual conference ICC Birmingham - 20-21 November 2017

RoSPA Centenary Reception at The Hub, Edinburgh, on Thursday, November 30, 2017, from 6 pm to 8 pm. Invitation sent by ROSPA

#### **4. Ten Minute Speaker, Adrian Pepper**

A Pepper delivered a presentation on the new REACH regulation and his job role with Nexam Chemical. The new REACH regulations come in to force in May 2018. A Pepper informed the group of the background, objectives and the method of data sharing for REACH including the work he is undertaking with his company to ensure compliance.

S Fowler thanked A Pepper for an interesting presentation.

#### **5. Principal Speaker Robert Atkinson, HWL**

R Atkinson (CFIOSH) and organisational lead at the Scottish Centre for Healthy Working Lives gave an interesting and informative presentation on the Scottish Plan for Action on Safety and Health (SPIASH).

The Scottish health and safety system has been working through the Partnership on Health and Safety in Scotland (PHASS) for a number of years, however, with the support of the Scottish Government an action plan for Scotland was introduced with the creation on SPIASH.

R Atkinson showed a map of the health and safety community currently involved with the plan, described the impact of ill health on the ageing population and the impact this could have on small business.

He discussed the importance of strengthening stakeholder engagement and partnership in poorer performing sectors and the framework for cooperation under the four broad themes. He also discussed the related thirteen action points.

R Atkinson also answered questions from the floor.

## **6. Vote of Thanks**

This was given by S Brown and a gift was presented to R Atkinson.

**Next meeting Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018 John Fearn, Asbestos Action Tayside.**