



262<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the IOSH Thames Valley Branch  
held on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at the University of  
Reading

Members present: David Armstrong, Tony Baker, Paul Beaumont; Stephen Brinkworth, John Chandler, Colin Clark, Charlie Cribbes, Alan Curtiss, John Daly, Howard De Silva, Kris Dower, Pol Exeter, Andrew Flisher, Jason Gawronski, Tracy Hawkins, David Heath, Jon Hilton, Nadine Hodgson, Brian Horne, Tony Horsfall, James Hymers, Achilles Iheozor - Ejidfor, William Jackson, Colin Johnson, Nick Marsh, Bill Mitchell, Tracey Mitchell, Grahame Jamieson, Colin Johnson, Nick Marsh, Dean Middlemore, Tracey Mitchell, Paul Mrozowski, Andrew Panting, Graham Parker; Tyrone Partridge, Alan Poole, Jim Prowse, Steve Pulling, Paul Reeve, Yvonne Reyes, Steve Rogers, Gill Saunders, Chris Stops, Greg Szurek, Leroy Thompson, Gordon Tranter, Steve Turner, Andrea White, Tom Wilson, Chris Williamson.

Apologies for absence: Mark Donald, Andrew Price, Rebecca Russell.

Visitors: Sharron Cripps, Michelle Fawkes.

The minutes of the previous meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2016 were accepted.

Members problems and anecdotes:

Steve Pulling asked if anyone would be prepared to help a local charity in Farnham with their Health & Safety around taking disabled persons on camping events. Please contact the Secretary or Steve if you can help.

A member urged members to take care and exercise due diligence when contractors and subcontractors are tendering for work. In particular we need to check thoroughly their arrangements for carrying out the work ie their RAMS. There have been instances where cut and paste is all too obvious, from different companies and different locations. Another member mentioned that this a problem with smaller Companies who claim they don't have the resources (manpower and skills) to do RAMS. Other members pointed out they have a legal duty to provide suitable and sufficient documentation.

Topic for the evening: Health in construction.

Speaker : Clive Johnson Group Head of Health, Safety and Security, Land Securities

His slides are in the document library of the Thames Valley branch microsite.

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