



# EDINBURGH BRANCH

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## Minutes of 287<sup>th</sup> Branch Meeting.

**Venue: Rivers Suite, Craiglockhart Campus, Napier University, Edinburgh EH14 1DJ,**

**Date: 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 14:00.**

### Sederunt:

R Balfry (M)	A McLeod (M)	D Johnston (M)	L Young (M)	R Doyle (M)
S Daly (M)	R Francis (M)	S Boucher (M)	G Millar (M)	A Maxwell (M)
S Forbes (M)	W Szpunar (M)	V Coates (M)	D Sinclair (M)	S McCann (M)
Z Zatyko (G)	E Bertram (M)	D MacKay (M)	A Bell (M)	M Ross (G)
B Cox (M)	G O'Brien (M)	K O'Donnell (M)	J Lamb (M)	R Walker (M)
A Kelly (G)	P Franklin (M)	D Smart (M)	D Miller (M)	

**Total:** 29                      27 Members                      3 Guests

**Apologies:** S. Heesom, K McDonnell, H Pearson, S Crawford, M Cowie, W Murphy

### **Chair:**

Rupert opened the meeting, and explained where the fire exits were and reminded the audience to switch off their mobiles and print their names on the sederunt. He also asked if there were any new members or guests. Rupert also reminded members to remember to complete their CPD, and to make sure they had parked in 'Car Park A' so as not to receive a parking fine.

### **1 New Members:**

### **2 Minutes of previous meetings**

Minutes of the meeting and previous meetings can be found at: <https://www.iosh.co.uk/Membership/Our-membership-network/Our-Branches/Edinburgh-branch/Branch-minutes.aspx>

### **Meeting 286 - 08 Feb 18**

The Chair asked if anything was unclear or if further information was needed. With no further matters arising, the accuracy of Minutes was proposed by Liz Young and seconded by David Johnson.

### **3 Correspondence and Group Reports**

#### **3.1 Groups:**

No Reports

#### **3.2 Mentor:**

Liz Young reported that the CPD/ IPD sessions run earlier in the day had been well attended. Many of the attendees said that the session was very helpful. A copy of the CPD presentation will be posted alongside these minutes.

Liz Young reminded all to ensure that they record their CPD, and to contact her should anyone have any problems or queries.



#### 4 External Events:

##### 4.1 **Other IOSH Branch Events**

Other IOSH Branch events are open to all IOSH Members, further details can be found via the IOSH website at the following link; <https://www.iosh.co.uk/Events.aspx>

##### 4.2 **Other events of interest**

See other events of interest page...: <https://www.iosh.co.uk/Membership/Our-membership-network/Our-Branches/Edinburgh-Branch/Other-events-of-interest.aspx>

The Chair announced a CPD certified event for Green Champions with workshops in Edinburgh on Thursday 15 March and in Glasgow on Wednesday 21 March. These were advertised on the Branch "other events of interest" page.

POSTURITE are running an "Agile Working Seminar" day which will be held at Dynamic Earth on 31 May 2018. *Booking Available shortly – please watch the website*

#### 5 Members Items

##### 5.1 **Job Spot**

- No new positions have been communicated to Branch at present.

##### 5.2 **From the floor?** (*Members opportunity to share problems & ideas with their peers*)

- A few items were discussed during the meeting: none were recorded.

##### 5.3 **Branch AGM – 8 May at 14.00, with buffet from 13:15**

*Siegfried Room, Rivers Suite, Craiglockhart Campus, Edinburgh Napier University*

##### **Executive Committee Nominations**

Taking up a Committee role is a great opportunity to develop your CPD and enhance your skills, experience and leadership. If you're interested in a role with the Edinburgh Committee please speak to a Committee member or visit our Branch microsite, where you'll find more information and contact details. There are still several committee positions available...

Nomination forms: <https://www.iosh.co.uk/Membership/Our-membership-network/Volunteering-for-your-network/Branch-and-District-AGMs.aspx>



### 6 Main Talk:

- **Rope Rescue:**

Andy Kelly – MD and founder of SWAT International Ltd.

SWAT International Ltd was created by Andrew after gaining 26 years' experience of working for and directing some of the prominent names within the Working at Height Industry. SWAT International are Steeplejacks and rope access specialists.

Andrew gave an overview of the various regulations governing working at heights and in particular rope access. He then gave a talk on some of his experiences of rope access and rope rescue. You can view his presentation on our Branch website at: <https://www.iosh.co.uk/Membership/Our-membership-network/Our-Branches/Edinburgh-Branch/Branch-minutes/Minutes-201718.aspx>

### 7 Date of next meetings:

Evening Meeting on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 18:00 with a buffet from 17:15

- **Legal Update:**

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Rupert Balfry. Grad IOSH  
Branch Chair

Ali McLeod. CMIOSH  
Communications Coordinator