

Institution of Occupational Safety and Health West of Scotland Branch



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Branch Meeting:

Minutes

Date and Time :	22 nd February 2018, 17:00 hrs.
Venue:	Lecture Theatre M137; George Moore Building, 1st Floor, Glasgow Caledonian University

	items	Action by
1	Welcome	
	<p>Chair of Meeting: George Mills The chair welcomed the attendees speakers were introduced to the audience</p>	FC/AP
2	First Presentation (17:00)	
	<p>Topic: Agile working Speaker: Scott Bottomer / from Posturite Ltd.</p> <p>Summary: Scott provided history, structure and activity of his organisation, then covered some aspects of Agile working, such as Potential Pros and Cons of Agile working, Activity benefits, Agile working assessment, Ergonomics of the different DSE agile working options. Discussed the reality of agile working covering flexible, remote, novel, and smart and activity based working.</p> <p>Scott also gave Cornell University web site as a source of good ergonomical information: http://ergo.human.cornell.edu/ergotips2002/home.html</p> <p>Another tip was if your body is hurting it is telling you that there is a lack of oxygen getting to the muscles and you need to move.</p> <p>An abridged version of the presentation will be available on the Branch Website. The speaker was presented with a gift on behalf of the Branch</p>	
3	Second Presentation (18:00)	
	<p>Topic: Mental health in the workplace Speaker: Stephen McLellan CEO RAMH</p> <p>Summary: RAMH – Recovery across mental health. This is a local charity working within Renfrewshire. East Renfrewshire and North Ayrshire but there are also similar charities working throughout Scotland. Ramh.org</p> <p>There are First Aid courses on mental health provision where companies can have employees trained in dealing with mental health issues in the workplace. Companies can sponsor these charities allowing access to mental health advice for employees. Companies utilising such services can promote the fact in pre-qualification tenders and this is seen by Clients as a positive issue.</p> <p>An abridged version of the presentation will be available on the Branch Website. The speaker was presented with a gift on behalf of the Branch</p>	

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38 members registered their attendance		
5	Apologies	
Apologies received from; Jim Tassell, Pat Gardiner, Joan Thomson, Fraser Allan.		
6	Review and Approval of Minute of Previous Meeting	
Proposer: Malcolm McIntyre Seconder: Alex Petrie The minute of the previous branch meeting “January 2018” was adopted as an accurate record		
7	Matters Arising	
There were no matters arising.		
8	New Members	
No new members		
9	Vacancies	
No vacancies reported Two members are seeking work experience in the construction industry. Members who can assist, are asked to email the branch secretary on secretary-westofscot@ioshnetworks.co.uk		All
10	Group Reports	
<u>Construction</u> David Allan : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CITB stepping down from management of the CSCS Card scheme by 2021. 2. Birmingham Principal Contractor fined £500,000 for CDM breach after worker was run over by a truck – Out of date traffic management plan. 3. Government reported Construction Sector output suffers longest decline in 5 years. 4. Transport Scotland are carrying out a feasibility study for hi-speed train trains connecting Lanarkshire with London. Travel time of around 3 hours. 5. UWS site in Hamilton – 365 homes as part of an Urban Village. Approved in principle by SLC, however, project likely to take 15-20 years. 6. Prof Alan Dunlop is proposing a bridge connection between Northern Ireland and Scotland stating it is better value than the one proposed between England and France. <u>Public Services:</u> Susannah McIntosh (Apologised): Nothing to report <u>Environment and Waste Management:</u> Brian Beck (Apologised): Nothing to report		DA
11	AOCB	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificate of Merit Awards: Members were reminded of the awards dinner on 26th April and that nominations are still open. • Douglas Connell briefed the meeting on the IOSH council 		GM DC

12	Time, date and venue of next Meeting	
	<p>Time:13:00 hours, Date: 29th of March 2018 Venue: Bain suit , Hampden Park</p> <p>Topic: <i>Working together to beat occupational cancer – spotlight on silica</i></p> <p>Speakers: Malcolm McIntyre, IOSH; Amanda Parker, BOHS; Mark Ashby, HSE.</p> <p>No separate meeting at 14.00</p>	