

Institution of Occupational Safety and Health West of Scotland Branch



Branch Meeting:

Minutes

Date and Time :	27 th of September 2018, 1300 hrs.
Venue:	Bain suite, Hampden Park Stadium

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1	Welcome	
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Chair of Meeting: George Mills
The chair welcomed the attendees and speakers

speakers were introduced to the audience by Jim Tassel

2	1st Speaker's Presentation (13:00)	
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Topic: legal Update, including the concept of privilege.
Speakers: Lindsay McNeill, BTO solicitors

Summary: Lindsay presentation covered, the Regulatory Investigator Privilege, the power of Recovery Versus Privilege (HSE section 20 (8) of HSWA 1974 and SEPA 180(13) EA 1995), the presentation included the types of Privilege (Legal Advice Privilege/ Litigation Privilege/ Common Interest Privilege), examples of recent court cases from Scotland and England, and some practical advice at the end of her talk.

An abridged version of the presentation will be available on branch website once technical issues resolved. However presentation can be obtained from branch secretary(secretary-westofscot@ioshnetworks.co.uk)

The speaker was presented with a gift on behalf of the Branch

3	2nd Speaker's Presentation (14:00)	
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Topic: Data protection – what really, really matters for health and safety practitioners?
Speakers: Paul Motion, BTO solicitors

Summary: Paul started with brief introduction on BTO's data protection team, then talked about what GDPR and the laws behind it. What does GDPR provides, including basic definitions, types of personal data (Personal data / Special Category Personal data/ Financial data), Accountability and Specific obligations.

Audience were provided with copies of the presentation slides, and an abridged version of the presentation will be available on branch website once technical issues resolved. However presentation can be obtained from branch secretary(secretary-westofscot@ioshnetworks.co.uk)

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96 members registered their attendance.	
5	Apologies
Apologies received from; 6 members	
6	Review and Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
Due to technical issues with branch web page the minutes were not uploaded, thus the review of meeting minutes was deferred to next meeting. Copies of the minutes will be provided on request from the branch secretary (secretary-westofscot@ioshnetworks.co.uk)	
7	Matters Arising
There were no matters arising.	
8	New Members
One new member introduced herself to the branch members	
9	Vacancies
<p>Three vacancies were announced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two vacancies at ACS risk Group Glasgow Base Company Contact Martin Mitchell martin@acsrisk.com www.acsrisk.com <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire Safety / Legionella Risk Assessor. • Health & Safety Trainer / Consultant. Glasgow Base • One vacancy at Network Rails <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Manager based in York, details will be in Network Rails website. www.networkrail.co.uk <p>Please contact the secretary for more details (secretary-westofscot@ioshnetworks.co.uk)</p>	
10	Group Reports
<p><u>Construction</u> : David Allan Apologised : Nothing to report</p> <p><u>Environment and Waste Management</u>: Brian Beck</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circular Economy event (30 Oct – 1 Nov 2018) for further details and registration www.circulareconomyhotspot.scot <p><u>Public Services</u>: Susannah McIntosh</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jo Stevens MP Report: Local Authorities and Health and Safety which can be viewed via this link http://jostevens.co.uk/report-local-authorities-and-health-and-safety/ 	

IOSH subscription fees and tax return

Audience were advised that IOSH members who pay their own membership subscription, can claim back tax relief. Further details on claim can be found on IOSH fees and renewals page <https://www.iosh.co.uk/Membership/About-membership/Fees-and-renewals.aspx>

Consumer Electrical Safety

Fred Cullum has raised to the audience the safety concerns about some travel adaptors, detachable Mains, power leads, and phone and Laptops chargers manufactured outside the UK and imported from countries, such as China. These do not appear to comply with government guidance for suppliers importing electrical goods into the UK.

- Issues of Concern (Electrical safety concerns v 2.0 11018) attached

Upcoming events

- Edinburgh Branch Meeting on 11th of October.
Meeting on Safety Culture delivered by former Chair of the HSE Dame Judith Hackitt DBE and IOSH President Elect Professor Andrew Sharman. It is a free event and a light buffet will be provided before it (from 17:15),
- Health and Work Summit Scotland, at Hampden Park, Glasgow on 1st November 2018
- IOSH Scotland. Safety day
One day conference will be on the 22nd of November and is aimed at health and safety professionals in Scotland who feel in need of brushing up on the latest thinking on a wide range of health-related topics. The venue is Perth Racecourse (by Scone Palace). Booking will be through IOSH and the cost will be £65.

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Date: 25th of October 2018 **Venue:** Bain suite, Hampden Park Stadium.

Time:13:00, **Topic:** Asbestos update **Speaker:** Prof **Roger Willey**

Time:14:00, **Topic:** Asbestos – the demolition contractor’s view **Speaker:** **Ricky Hay**
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