



**IOSH East Midlands Branch meeting
Nottingham Forest Football Club Robin Hood Suite
Thursday 21st March 2019**

Chair's Welcome:

Martin Goodman welcomed Members and guests to the IOSH East Midlands Branch meeting. It was noted the meeting was very well attended with an estimated 160 Members and guests.

Apologies:

David Spilsbury, Bill Gabriel

Minutes of Previous Branch meeting

The meeting was informed that all minutes and presentations from previous meetings were now available on the Branch website.

Secretary's report:

Martin Goodman presented the Secretary's report and advised Members that the Branch AGM would be held on Thursday 25th April at 19.30 hours. Members were advised that nominations for Committee should be made via the IOSH Volunteers web site – official closing date for nominations would be 28th March 2019. If any Member was interested in joining the Committee they would be welcome to discuss the role and duties with any current Committee Member.

Regional Meetings

The Lincolnshire region is looking to organise a "no time to loose" presentation. The Derbyshire region is currently trying to organise a visit to JCB in June. Further information will be circulated once these events are confirmed.

Treasurer's Report:

Martin Goodman advised the current balance in the bank was £3,678. Once the payments for the February away day and the March branch meeting were paid for it is projected the Branch would have a closing balance of around £1,000.

Communications Report:

Andrew Needham reported that the Committee Mailer was working well.

Talk:

Hayley Saunders and Hannah Frost from Shoosmiths gave a legal update. This included details on prosecution statistics for 2017/18. Enforcement notices were up this year to 11,522, 493 cases went to court and the conviction rate was 95%. Fines totaled £72.6 million with 45 being over £500,000, average fine being £147,000 and the largest being £3 million. Suspended sentences were issued in 9% of cases and 7% of cases there was an immediate custodial sentence. With gross negligence manslaughter new guidelines propose jail terms of up to 18 years with a starting point of 8 years. A number of high profile cases with large fines were discussed.

Following questions Martin gave the vote of thanks.

Close

Martin wished everyone a safe return home.

The next Branch meeting will be the April meeting. This includes the AGM

Date: Thursday 25th April 2019 at 7.30pm

Venue: Nottingham Forest Football Club Robin Hood Suite

Speaker: Lisa Ramos – The day that changed my life.