



Members present:

Darren Brooks, Jane Brown, Dee Campbell, Duncan Cooper, Jonathan Crabb, Jaideep Das, Gareth Evans, Sue Everall, Ian Fearnley, Norman Filmer, Kevin Frost, Emily Garland, Laura Graure, James Ford, Ravinder Ganesh, Pablo Herrera, Bridget Leathley, Nicholas Halstead, Myra Kelly, Darron Lahey, Suzanne Lynch, Dean Middlemore, Prosper Meno, Nathalie Muller, Aidan O'Doherty, Richard O'Neill, Moses Omondi, Ginika Okoye, Stuart Page, Andrew Panting, Graham Parker, C Parrish, Tyrone Partridge, Ian Plom, Dave Rogers, Liam Rowlinson, Ian Shuck, Angela Sirianni, Craig Smart, Nevil Steadman, Michelle Street, Chris Williamson, Tom Wilson, Max Zauner.

Apologies : David Heath .

Branch presentation

Bridget Leathley gave a zoom presentation on 'E training'

Her slides are on the Thames Valley branch website under 'recent events'

<https://iosh.com/membership/our-membership-network/our-branches/thames-valley-branch/>

Members Questions to Bridget

- 1) A member asked Bridget "so you mentioned that you are currently delivering IOSH working safety courses via zoom...? If so, how are exams being managed? If not, are they considering it?"

She said a second person was used to watch the monitor for invigilator purposes.

- 2) Another member asked "Do you have a recommended maximum duration for a course due to time in front of the computer even having 5 min breaks every hour would be hard work for a full day of zoom."

Bridget covered this within the presentation

- 3) A member asked "what the ideal class size? "

Bridget said it is down to tutor preference, however Bridget prefers 8-10.

- 4) A member asked "while you covered the difficulties delivery zoom training during the session, what are the challenges associated with e-training? "

Bridget responded that some courses are not suitable for e-training. Generally shorter courses are recommended.

- 5) Another member asked "Do you recommend using laptops or PCs as functionality on iPads etc can be different."

Bridget said that it depends on the course type and duration. Signal can drop off using hand-held devices, comfort of attendee can be an issue as less likely to sit in a recommended seating position etc.

- 6) "A member inquired" how and where did you activate a poll"

"You have to be the zoom controller but there are various functions available."

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