



304th Meeting of the IOSH Thames Valley
Branch held on 19th October 2020 via Zoom

Members present:

Paul Beaumont, Jane Brown, Vince Butler, Darren Carter, Charlie Cribbes, Mark Cummins, Simon Cutmore, Sue Everall, James Ford, Nicholas Freeman, Jason Gawronski, Laura Graure, Abdul Hanan, David Heath, Shirley Hoskins, Kevin Isles, Grahame Jamieson, David Jenkins, Colin Johnson, Myra Kelly, Judith Lamb, Lais Veloso Lara, Bridget Leathley, Barbara Martins, Paul Monck, Celestin Mouabe Ngadde, Nathalie Muller, Jon Ovenden, Shirley Parsons, Tyrone Partridge, Michael Pitfield, Jim Prowse, Steve Pulling, Craig Smart, Chris Stops, Iris Van Pijlen, Sally Wearing, Chris Williamson, Tom Wilson, Max Zauner.

Apologies : Nick Bathurst.

Branch matters

The Chair reminded members that any member suffering hardship can apply for financial support from the IOSH benevolent fund.

IOSH have set up a career hub on the website for those members seeking employment and also to advertise if you have a H&S vacancy.

Branch presentation

Mark Trimmer gave a zoom presentation on 'Driving for better business '

His 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 Mark

“You mentioned three aspects of the vision: safety, efficiency, sustainability. Does the order of these three imply the priority given to these values? ie is sustainability last?”

No - all considered equally

“Do you encourage all organisations to have a fatigue policy.”

Absolutely yes.

“Is current chair of the HSE also behind the programme?”

Yes and other organisations including ROSPA etc.

“Regarding precarious work and zero-hour contracts - the worker takes all the risk of employment, is there any fact-based evidence of collisions increasing from this specific group of those driving for work?”

Stats are not currently being recorded on this level but under constant review.

“Accidents to and from work is not classed as work- Do you consider these should still be recorded especially if employee is paid to run their cars?”

I believe the regulations and guidance should be reviewed.

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