

# Guernsey Occupational Safety & Health Association - www.gosha.org.uk

# Minutes of the GOSHA Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2008 at HSE Burnt Lane St Martins

#### **Persons Present**

Andrew Mills, Clare McArdell, Paul Craig, Gordon Snell, Steve Roussel and Joe Lanyon

#### **Apologies**

Ian Whattam, Richard Pinchemain, Richard Brown (HSE), Paul Craig, Jonathan Coyde, Mhairi Macgregor & Dave Norman

## Minutes of the committee meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> September 2008

The minutes were approved.

## **Matters Arising**

- Membership Packs; only the CD to complete before despatch. JC dealing.
- Managing Health & safety course; now advertised for 12 November. Response to determine if poor we agreed to offer free participation to charities and schools. Ideally need 12 participants for the course to be effective.
- **Promoting GOSHA**; After much discussion, we agreed to spend a max £500 to purchase max 100 hi-viz vests for targeted distribution once received.

## Treasurer's Update

The current balance stands at approximately £8,050.00. GS to advised that there is one debtor – for dinners – Jane Cutting of HSSD owing £56.00

# **Getting Prepared for AGM**

Last year AM received negative comment from two people following the AGM on the block votes. We agreed that in the current circumstances of GOSHA this is a practical and sensible approach and we will use the same format for 2008. Agreed membership unaltered.

#### **Articles for Guernsey Press**

We have now submitted our third article – one has been used so far.

## Website/Next Newsletter

JL advised that he needs to stand down from the GOSHA committee and from running the website at the AGM (20/11) due to other commitments. This is a big loss to us as JL provides good input & ideas to meetings and has done a very good job with the website. He has offered to train a volunteer to take over from him, which is much appreciated. We need to begin our search straight away.

PC kindly offered to send AM some articles he has written for Guernsey Electricity's internal magazine covering a variety of H&S topics. AM would be very glad to use these.

## **Open Meetings**

18th September 2008 – Jan Andreson of HSE provided a very good presentation covering CDM and construction site safety.

20th November 2008 – Hannah Beacon from Island Coachways has agreed to speak on Bus Safety issues. This will follow our AGM.

We now have dates for 2009 – 29/1, 19/3, 31/5 and 17/9 and 26/11. We now need speakers/topics.

#### **Future site visits**

CIAS is 15/10. 2<sup>nd</sup> visit to be considered in view of interest from members. Other suggestions were Guernsey Harbour, Glategny Esplanade (Bucktrout site), Guernsey Water/Gas.

#### **Educational Talks**

Suggestions (GS) School leavers talk at St Sampsons schools.

## AOB

- Recruitment(GS)- approach non members who attended meetings over last year.
- Advertising(AM)- putting up leaflets in Parish Centres. St Martins already have them displayed.
- JOSHA- CM recently attended an open meeting, and will try to attend and feed back on them in the future. Paddy Guyomard (JOSHA) has suggested reciprocal attendance at committee meetings. AM/JC liaising with him.
- Annual membership- agreed to extend free charity membership to all voluntary organisations based in Guernsey.
- Safety Show in Birmingham-Future attendance?
- Poster IW and JL can use pdfs of the design-an-ad winning poster (at Bucktrout site & on our website) – JC to send the document to them.

# Date of next meeting

The date of the next committee meeting is Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2008 – 12.30 at HSE Burnt Lane, SM.