

Southern Safety Liaison Group Meeting

Date: 20th April 2017
 Venue: BCITO 2/585 Wairakei Road
 Time: Breakfast 7:00am
 Meeting 7:30am

Chair: Lindsay Mantell
 Minutes: Kelvin Sparks

Attendees:

NAME	COMPANY	NAME	COMPANY
Brian Woods	ICS	Mark Freeborn	Site Safe
Gillian Ferguson	Mike Greer Homes	Mark Tinning	Graeme Hill Roofing
Grant Harvey	Construction Safety	Mike Barnett	Fletchers Construction
Ian Williams	MWH/Stantec	Mike Flanagan	Independent
James Saunders	Arrow International	Nathan Dougherty	Ecan
Jason Muir	NZ Safety	Paul Johnson	ETU
Jay Hepi	Safe re build	Paul Wood	Clearwater
Kelvin Sparks	HSWNZ	Rebecca Gornall	Mike Greer Homes
Lana Thomas	Fletcher Living	Richard Gibb	HRS
Madeleine Ramsay	Tindus	Richard Giddings	Always Solutions
Richard Willis	Four Peaks	Robin Bradshaw	Hawkins
Sam Knudsen	TWS Group	Scott Cameron	Virtue Group
Stacey Povazhnaya	McMillan Civil	Stephanie Cerpa	Contract Construction
Steve Moran	Worksafe NZ	Tina Lange	Miles and Peach Construction
Steve Robertson	Site Safe	Wendy McLean	Clive Barrington Construction Limited
Sammy Burnett	Graham Hill Roofing	Jo Duffy	Safe Rebuild
John O'leary	One Staff	Jourdan Cambridge	Armitage Williams
George Piper	?	Lindsay Mantell	Hanham & Philp
Jill Williamson	ACC		

Apologies:

NAME	COMPANY	NAME	COMPANY
Steve Malcolm	Labour Exchange	Grant McPherson	Southern Demolition
Nic Trevithick	Work Care NZ	John Parish	Hanham Philp
Clarke Knox	Corbel	Craig Jones	Corbel
Cathy Turney	Deb Group	Roger McLeod	FCC
Sean Cronin	Waste Management	Mark Thompson	Legend Contracting
Rob Abraas	Leighs	Darryl Blockley	One Staff
CJ Henderson	Work Safe	Neal Parker	Take 5

David Fleming	Triex	Trevor Elliot	Elliot Scaffolding
Peter Jackson	H2O Design	Richard Gibb	HRS Construction
David Caseley	The Roofing Company	Neil Joubert	AWG
Ricky Shalders	Site Safe	John Ford	City Care
Alison Molloy	Site Safe	Becca Bell	Airways
Dave Furzeman	Site Safe	Alan Goy	Fulton Hogan
Stuart Hall	Site Safe	Brendan Rice	Leed Safe
Dougal Homes	Maiden Homes	Vern	Character Builders
Alastair Miles	Miles Construction	Nik Dimock	Dimocks
Simon Williamson	Pegasus Engineering	Sai Johnson	GN Brewer Drains
Gareth Shaw	Safe and Sound	Alex Newfield	Newfield Roofing
Hemi Martin	ETU	Neal Joubert	AW Group
Bruce Houghton	Meth Test Nationwide		

Minutes

1. **Introductions**
2. **Thanks to Kelvin Sparks from Health and Safety at Work NZ Ltd. for breakfast**
3. **Thanks to BCITO for providing venue**
4. **Jill Williamson ACC Jill has replaced the retired Mike Flanagan.**

ACC Update

Work levy

From 1 April 2017, the Work levy will go down by an average of 10% over the next two years, compared with the 2016/17 rates.

Everyone who works in New Zealand is covered for injuries that happen in the workplace. This is covered from the Work levy paid by employers and people who are self-employed.

ACC will continue to provide the same benefits such as doctor's visits, weekly compensation, physiotherapy, prescription costs and surgery and we'll support employers get injured employees back to work. For more information, visit www.acc.co.nz.

ACC are also continuing to invest levies into injury prevention programmes to minimise the risk of injuries before they happen.

If you'd like more information on the new Work levy rates, visit www.acc.co.nz and if you'd like some background on our Work levy and our consultation, visit www.shapeyouracc.co.nz/work-levy. To check the 2017/18 levy rates, visit <http://www.acc.co.nz/about-acc/levies/current-years-levy-rates%20/> and download the levy guidebook.

Earners' levy

ACC are keeping the Earners' levy rate at \$1.21 per \$100 of earnings. We have enough in the Earners' Account to meet our liabilities at this time.

Did you know that everyone who works pays an ACC Earners' levy through their salary? This helps cover accidental injuries from weekend DIY, playing netball or tripping over cats.

The Earners' levy is automatically deducted from each pay and is collected on our behalf by Inland Revenue.

What happens next?

New levy rates for the Motor Vehicle account will come into effect from 1 July 2017. We'll send you an update closer to the time.

Construction Health and Safety Risk Cards

The new cards are designed have been designed as an engagement tool for PCBUs and on-site Supervisors to use when running a Toolbox or Daily Start-up meeting. The first three sections of the cards provide tips on running the meetings plus the use of Safe Work Method Statements that are being used across the wider construction sector. The remaining set of 22 reference cards covers the known high-risk activities and key topics such as PPE and use of RPE.

To obtain a copy of the new Construction Risk and Safety Cards and help us make them even better, email construction@acc.co.nz

No Tool to replace WSD/WSMP

We don't have products to replace WSD and WSMP however, we've started the process of designing and developing new tailored and cost-effective solutions that will deliver better health and safety outcomes for businesses. This includes reviewing our **Experience Rating** system and a **Body Stressing programme**.

Experience Rating (ER)

We also want to improve our Experience Rating (ER) system to drive better health and safety results. ER is a system of modifying a business's ACC work levy based on its claims history. Under the experience rating framework, employers who have lower than average injury rates, with better than average rehabilitation or return to work rates, may receive a discount on their ACC work levy. Those with worse than average claims experience may receive a loading on their levy.

Currently, depending on a business's claims performance over the past three years, the levy can be loaded up to 75% or reduced up to 50%. If a business has a loading of over 15%, we will contact them and offer assistance to review their systems to possibly identify any gaps they may have.

Body Stressing

The Harm Reducing Action Plan (HRAP) was approved by both ACC and Worksafe NZ Boards in June 2016. As part of the plan, one of the programmes ACC is working on is body stressing. More details will be available later this year.

A copy of the full Plan is available here: <http://www.acc.co.nz/preventing-injuries/at-work/WPC139178> or <http://www.worksafe.govt.nz/worksafe/about/who-we-work-with/our-plan-to-reduce-injury-and-harm-at-work>

Safety Star Rating

SSR is a joint initiative with ACC and Worksafe. However, WorkSafe is the lead in SSR. Work is underway to determine how SSR will fit with future ACC and Worksafe initiatives. It has not been designed to replace WSMP.

For more information go to: <http://www.worksafe.govt.nz/worksafe/search?SearchableText=safety+star+rating>

Treatment Injury Report

On 12 April ACC published information for the first time on the number and cost of treatment injury claims in public hospitals. These are instances where patients are accidentally harmed during the course of their treatment by a registered health care provider. The treatment injury information will be updated twice a year and in the future will also include claims in private hospital and primary care.

For more information go to: <http://www.acc.co.nz/news/WPC139898>

5. **Nathan Dougherty: ECan.** Spoke about sediment control on construction sites. He presented a great Power Point Presentation showing bad sediment control; practices. Nathan will forward this when he returns from Annual Leave on 1st May 2017.

Nathan is happy to meet with anyone on site and assist with information on sediment control. Nathan can be contacted on nathan.dougherty@ecan.govt.nz

6. **Steve Moran: WorkSafe NZ update:** Steve advises that the new Work Safe CE, Rosie has been travelling around introducing herself. She was also at the Women in Construction presentations. Steve said that she is leading with a refreshing angle...

The new chief inspector has also been getting around, and Steve hopes to have him at one of the SLG meetings going forward

- Agriculture accidents high
- Building capabilities pathways
- 2 new inspectors in Christchurch office
- Asbestos management. Poor Practice still. There is good education. License holders getting it wrong
- Compliance is high in Canterbury
- Investigations for Work Safe is a long labour some process. Looking at slim line processes
- Work Safe are creating Score cards for each WorkSafe group
- Statement of intent being created in Work Safe, KPIs and Work Safe workers being held to account
- Targeting risk, working smarter
- Working closely with ACC/body stressing and other items
- Providing regular information to industry
- Business planning. Where we are heading
- Visit the web site and social media regularly for continuing information
- Steve also suggested that SLG members make some suggestions on items that they would like WorkSafe to present on. Suggestions to be emailed to kelvin@healthandsafetyatwork.nz

7. **Brian Woods from ICS** presented on a product that can assist with Fall Hazards. A ceiling product sits on the frames and can be walked on, reducing the need for Safety Nets. The product also becomes the finished ceiling for the build. Brian apologises for not having the presentation with him. Please have a look at the following link about the product.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B34mileRSswDZFNLMFJ2R3JWdms/view> If you have any questions please contact Brian on brian@icsltd.co.nz,

8. **Mark Freeborn from Site Safe** talked about a new Flexi course that workers can do. This is for the Site Safety Card (Passport). It is 2 hours face to face and 2 hours on line. Mark will present on this further next time with a Power Point Presentation.

Mark also asks that SLG Members give Site Safe feedback on any of the courses that Site Safe run.

9. **General Business**

- Madeleine Ramsay from Tindus asked about what could structural engineers do when coming to site to comply. PPE is a given and Madeline felt that they were doing this well. Comments were made about ensuring that Consulate, Cooperate, and Coordinate is happening. Talk to each other, ensure that Engineers are letting site managers know that they are coming. Is it the right time. Does it suit etc
- Following on from that Richard Giddings mentioned a good Australian Guideline on Consulate, Cooperate, and Coordinate. I have attached that document to this email
- A question was asked on what is the status of ISO 45001, Occupational health and safety management systems – Requirements. This is still on the drawing board

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- Tina Lange from Miles Toyota and Peach Construction was asking if anyone has any recommendations/contacts for a good cost effective Air and Noise monitoring. Please email Kelvin with the information if you do have a suitable contact.

10. Breakfast sponsor for next meeting is Site Safe. Thanks Steve Robertson. **We are keen to lock in future breakfast sponsors for the rest of the year.** Please email Kelvin if you would like to sponsor a breakfast this year

11. Next meeting dates for 2017: 22 June / 17 August / 19 Oct / 14 Dec, 0700 Breakfast, 0730 Meeting, at the BCITO 2/585 Wairakei Road

If you know of anyone who would like to come along to this group, please send Kelvin their [details..](#)
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