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**BAY OF PLENTY SAFETY LIAISON GROUP MEETING**

29 September 2023

10:00 - 12:00

Classic Flyers – Armoury Room

 **Chair**: William Lightfoot **Minutes:** William Lightfoot (WL)

**Attendees:**

24 Attendees

**Thank you to the following companies for attending**

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| Upshot NZ Ltd | BECA | Page Macrae Engineering |
| SiteSafe | Seeka | APATA  |
| Summerset  | Pollock Cranes  | Safety First Tauranga |
| Naylor Love  | McLeod | Foster Construction  |
| Arvida  | Fulton Hogan | H&S Worx |
| Central Demolition  | Downer  | Air Matters |
| Construction Products  | Waihanga Ara Rau | Champion Flour  |
| VHNZ |  |  |

**The following are the next meeting dates the for 2023 BOP Safety Liaison Group Meetings:**

**24th of November 2023 (Last meeting of 2023)**

**The meetings will be held at Classic Flyers, 9 Jean Batten Drive, Mount Maunganui, Tauranga**

**Agenda:**

1. **Welcome:**

| **Item** | **Action** |
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| 1. Introduction, induction and welcoming of attendees. Site Safety induction.
2. Apologies for Chris Jobson from SiteSafe and Fabiola Morlang-Gonzales, Relationship Manager at ACC.
3. Around the room: Members introduced themselves and their Company. Great attendance from such a variety of representation.
4. Quote for the day: Working Safely may get OLD, but so are those who practice it!
5. Thanks for the attendance. We hope that we can see growth and an increase in attendance to increase our networking capability. For the next meeting invite another health and safety role player to join.
 | William Lightfoot and Mike Inglis Members of group |

1. **Previous Minutes:**

| **Item** | **Action** |
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| No matters from previous minutes were discussed  | Mike Inglis  |

1. **Guest Speaker(s):**

| Alice Thomson from Air Matters, Occupational Hygienist | **Action** |
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| Alice delivered a great presentation and directly moved to the point – Protecting workers by controlling Workplace Health. She covered a range of important information 1. Disability-adjusted life years (DALY)2. Silica Health issues Crystalline vs amorphous inhalations 3. Chemical Spraying – The highest risk is actually dermal absorption on arms.4. Welding – Metal Fume Fever and lung fibrosis by inhalation of toxic fumes – Managing risks by knowing what type of metal you are welding. Do you control the fumes? The presentation created some great conversations and active participation by members of the group.  | Alice Thompson  |

| Richard Vickers, Director and Product Specialist at Construction Products | **Action** |
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| Richard talked about scaffshield a new product that helps to prevent tampering with scaffolds. He covered a wide variety of items:* Legislation and data from 727 sites with 855 notices that have been issued because of non-compliance around scaffolds mostly due to alteration by other contractors on site.
* Demonstrated how the anti-tampered locking system works.
* Versatility of product. Could be used on many sites and moved around as the project location shifts. Used for tube and clip as well as ring and collar scaffolding.
* Some companies used it for anti-theft by locking nuts on cameras and other devices with the product anchor key.
 | Richard Vickers |

1. General Business

| **Item**  | **Action** |
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| Updated group on Site Safe courses, site reviews, and assistance with OHSMS by consultation. Courses, I reminded the group that they can book via the website. Our VHR courses in Auckland have trained over 1000 students. Remind the group to nominate someone at work for their contribution to Health and Safety and support our initiative Evening of Celebration.  | Site Safe William  |
| Update from VHNZ Keith Barnett. They have a relaunch of the NZ Certificate in Workplace Health and Safety Practice (Level 4) Qualification. Provided some information about microlearning, a new teaching way.  | Keith Barnett |
|  Sue talked about trade essentials and micro-credential development to provide introductory skills and workforce needs for people preparing to enter either construction or engineering trades. Had a small discussion on skill standard vs unit standard. Please feel free to visit the site and have a look at TRADE Essentials. [Construction & Infrastructure Workforce Development Council NZ (waihangaararau.nz)](https://www.waihangaararau.nz/) | Sue Hawkins  |
| Closure of meeting  |  |
| **Item**  |
| If any topics interest you or you have a suggestion for a guest speaker – please get in contact with me, William Lightfoot at wlightfoot@sitesafe.org.nz |

Meeting close: 12:00 am

**Next meeting Friday 29 September 2023 at 10am**