

Minutes For: Waikato Safety Liaison Group Meeting

Meeting Number: 38	Venue: ACC Parkinson Place Te Rapa, Hamilton
Date: 10 June 2014	Time: 1000hrs
Chair: Michael Davies	Minutes: Chris Graney

Attendees:

Name:	Company:
John Mayne (JM)	WorkSafe NZ
Chris Graney (CG)	Site Safe NZ
Scott Mclean (SM)	Hawkins Construction
John Dennis (JD)	Roy Dennis Construction Ltd
Kylie McNeil (KN)	Paterson Burn Optomotrists

Name:	Company:
Aaron Shepherd (AS)	VHNZ
Kim Wihare (KW)	Livingstone Construction
David Holmes (DH)	ACC
Annette McKenzie (AM)	Placemakers
Michael Davies (MD)	University of Waikato

Apologies:

Name:	Company:
A J Staples (AJS)	Hawkins Construction
Margaret Taylor (MT)	Mitchell Construction
Kris MacCauley (KM)	Naylor Love
Alex Ruwhiu (AR)	VHNZ
Dave Sopp (DS)	ISS
Garry Menhennet (GM)	Strada
Leonie Lightfoot (LL)	Waikato Steel Fabricators
Steve Tuck (ST)	Foster Construction

Name:	Company:
Russell Parker (RP)	Site Safe NZ
Garth Bromfield (GB)	Strada
Darryn Jonson (DJ)	WSF
Phil Hokianga (PH)	VHNZ
Nigel Lamborne (NL)	Naylor Love
Alanna Paterson (AP)	Paterson Burn Optomotrists
Gary Lightfoot (GL)	Waikato Steel Fabricators

Agenda:**1. Welcome:**

Item	Action
Michael Davies welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone for attending and sending representatives where possible.	None

2. Previous Minutes:

Item	Action
a) Read and accepted.	None

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

Item (previous minutes item)	Action
a) Nil	

3. Guest Speaker(s):

Item	Action
<p>a) David Holmes delivered a very interesting presentation around Asbestos Awareness and Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM's) and the reasons why this remains an area of real concern for the Construction Sector in New Zealand. The main points of David's presentation were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exposure to asbestos is the main cause of workplace fatalities • Common asbestos types: White (chrysotile) Blue (crocidolite) Brown (amosite) but are not distinguishable to the naked eye by colour alone • Buildings built between 1940 -1980 highly likely to contain ACM's, between 1980 – 1990 likely to contain ACM's, after 1990 unlikely to contain ACM's • No safe exposure limits to asbestos fibres • Must be only be removed by Certificated persons 	

4. General Business:

Item	Action
<p>a) <u>ACC Update</u>. A copy David's Asbestos Presentation and info sheets are attached</p> <p>b) <u>Site Safe NZ</u>. 2nd year AppCon re-assessments are well under way with approximately 2500 company's registered with Level 1 users (Principles, and Main Contractors) increasing their number.</p> <p>c) <u>WorkSafe NZ</u>. Changes to New Zealand H&S law is progressing through Parliament and is at the Committee stage currently. The proposed changes will notified in very near future. A discussion document has been released by MBIE outlining proposals for new health and safety regulations to support the new Health and Safety at Work Act. A series of 8 Asbestos Factsheets have been provided to raise information and awareness around this product. A Best Practice guide has been released around the Safe use of Machinery. The factsheets and information are all available on the WorkSafe NZ website.</p>	

5. Recent Accidents/Incidents/Prosecutions :

Item	Action
a) Construction workplace fatalities and injury rates are listed on the new WorkSafe NZ website for anyone wishing to access the information.	All
b) The latest prosecutions can be viewed on line under news releases at www.worksafe.govt.nz	All

7. Other Business:

Item	Action
a) Safety Alerts and Safety Innovations None for this meeting	
b) Waikato Workplace Safety Week ... Group discussion next meeting with any proposals.	
c) Next meetings for 2014: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 August 2014 • 14 October 2014 • 9 December 2014 • Venues to TBC 	All

Meeting Close: 1140 hrs

Next Meeting:

Meeting Number: <u>39</u>	Venue: <u>TBC</u>
Date: <u>12 August 2014</u>	Time: <u>1000hrs</u>
Chair: <u>Michael Davies</u>	Minutes: <u>Chris Graney (Site Safe)</u>