

POOSH meeting 08 October 2012

CIEH update (item 5 on the agenda)



- The CIEH responded to two Health and Safety Executive consultations on:
 - Amendments to two existing Approved Codes of Practice on workplace transport and working at height
 - The HSE's review of all Approved Codes of Practices, a review which will result in a significant programme of work over the coming 18 months
- The CIEH has reviewed its policy on business compliance and regulatory services and as a result published a new policy statement which can be read at
<http://www.cieh.org/WorkArea/showcontent.aspx?id=42874>
- The CIEH was represented by its Head of Policy at the most recent meeting of the Health and Safety Practitioners Forum where the new national Regulators Code and other HSE items (including Legionella) were discussed
- The CIEH is a founding member of a new Regulatory Excellence Forum which supports the work of BRDO (Better Regulation Delivery Office, formerly LBRO) and replaces the "World Class Coalition"
- The "learning legacy" of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games will be the subject of a great deal of attention in the coming months and years. The CIEH has recently taken part in the HSE's Olympics Health & Safety de-brief and also organised its own de-brief of the 140 Environmental Health Volunteers who provided support to contractors, food outlets and LOCOG at Games' venues
- On sustainability, the CIEH has jointly published with the NHS and the Health Protection Agency *Guidelines and good practice for sustainable events*, which you can download here
<http://www.cieh.org/policy/default.aspx?id=43648>
- You can be forgiven if you have missed that on 1st October the Department of Health de-regulated the requirements for smokefree signs on business premises. The Department commissioned the CIEH to write guidance for local authorities and businesses to address this change. You can download the guidance here
<http://www.cieh.org/WorkArea/showcontent.aspx?id=43716>
- You may also have missed (and again you are forgiven) that 26th September was World Environmental Health Day. This was an opportunity for the CIEH and its members to inform the public of the value of the environmental and public health work we do. Activities included a vigorous Twitter exchange of views and experiences at #WorldEHDay

David Kidney, Head of Policy/POOSH update/02.10.2012

d.kidney@cieh.org Tel. 020 7827 5902 (direct line)