



FORTH AND TAY BRANCH

8th Meeting & 2nd Annual General Meeting 2018

**McDiarmid Park Perth
at 7.30 pm Thursday 19 April 2018**

Sederunt:

A Fowler (chair) S Brown, F Burke, A Cathro, A Curly, K Fordyce, N Helps, C King T Mellon, G McGhee, W Murphy G Neville, A Pepper, W Reiche, D Smart, E Stobie, A Thomson.

1. Welcome

A Fowler welcomed everyone to the second Annual General Meeting of the Forth and Tay Branch. He reminded the members of the emergency and administrative arrangements and asked that all present ensure they sign the Sederunt.

2. **Apologies** A number of apologies were received.

3. Minutes of the 1st AGM on 6 April 2017

The Minutes were accepted as a true record of that meeting.

Proposed: T Mellon

Seconded: S Brown

4. Treasurers Report

A Pepper discussed the treasurers report (appendix a) and covered the pertinent points. Total expenditure was £5,491.14 resulting in a closing balance (31/3/18) of £464.36

An application of £6,150 for 2108/19 was requested. IOSH HQ have allocated £5,500 to the Branch. A Cathro mentioned that it was disappointing that there had been a cut in the budget. S Brown to write to HQ

No questions following the Treasurer's report

5. Chairpersons report for 2017/18 – A Fowler

During my address at last year's AGM, I mentioned that with the support of the committee and our members, we would continue to grow from strength to strength following the transformation to becoming a Branch from previously a district of the Edinburgh Branch.

Our membership has continued to grow, we are now a well-recognised and established Branch and, as a result, we have recently featured in the Networks News article that reported on our February 2018 meeting.

Current Membership (301) INCREASE OF 5% ON LAST YEAR (288)

Chartered Fellow

- Vicki Cutler

Chartered Status.

The following Branch members have achieved chartered status:

- Susan Daly
- Gregor McGhee
- Alan Taylor
- Chris King
- Richard Archer

Congratulations to them all.

Programme 2017-2018

April Safe Café and AGM 2017

A Cathro and T Mellon chaired two groups and discussed various issues around the topics of Leadership and Behavioural Change. Lively discussion ensued and after approximately 30 minutes, each group fed back on the relevant topic and gave real life examples on good and bad leadership and behaviour.

September 2017

Principal Speaker Jonathan Guy, Anderson Strathern, Legal Update

Jonathan provided the members with an interesting and informative legal update on some of Scotland's highest profile cases. He also mentioned that he has acted for a number of clients in the Sheriff Court, the Court of Session and Supreme Court.

November 2017

A Pepper delivered a ten-minute presentation on the new REACH regulation and his job role with Nexam Chemical. Adrian informed the group of the background, objectives and the method of data sharing for REACH including the work he is undertaking with his company to ensure compliance.

Principal Speaker Robert Atkinson, HWL

Robert gave an interesting and informative presentation on the Scottish Plan for Action on Safety and Health (SPIASH) Robert displayed a map of the health and safety community currently involved with the plan, described the impact of ill health on the aging pollution and the impact this could have on

small businesses. He also discussed the importance of strengthening stakeholder engagement and partnership in poorer performing sectors

February 2018

A Cathro delivered a presentation on the IOSH 2017 annual conference. He highlighted the global approach to transforming safety and health and informed the members of the various sessions he attend. During this presentation IOSH Work 2022, five-year strategy was discussed and how our branch will refer, where possible, to the three broad aims of Influence, Collaborate and Enhance.

Principal Speaker's John Fearn, Asbestos Action Tayside and Euan Love, Digby Brown

John described how he and his two assistants provide one to one support for those diagnosed with an asbestos related illness giving advice on benefits and compensation, assisting with the completion of forms and offering ongoing emotional and practical support to sufferers and their family. He informed us that last year they supported 300 clients and there is no sign of the numbers declining. John also spoke on the many ways they campaign to maintain and improve awareness of the dangers that asbestos still poses to workers and communities.

Euan gave a brief history of asbestos risks during which he mentioned that the first case was recorded in 1924 (Nellie Kershaw) and thereafter a report was written in 1930 on the occupational risks in the asbestos industry. Euan discussed other related data.

This evening was very informative with heartfelt presentations on how individuals and their families are supported.

Forth and Tay Branch representation at events

- IOSH WEST OF SCOTLAND AWARDS, April 2017
- SITE VISIT TO THE V & A DUNDEE June 2017
- IOSH NETWORKS CHAIR CONFERENCE, June 2017
- PRESIDENTS LUNCH, Oct 2017
- IOSH CONFERENCE & NETWORKS, Nov 2017
- RoSPA CENTENARY RECEPTION Nov 2017
- SCOTTISH PALIAMENT EVENT March 2018
- MEETINGS IOSH SCOTLAND, 2017-2018

Summary as Chair

It has been my honour and privilege to be the Chair of IOSH Forth and Tay Branch and to have represented your interests where opportunities were available and I am both delighted and proud to report that my vision for the

Branch has materialised and as I leave the position as Chair, I move on with the confidence in the knowledge that the foundations of the 3 pillars of IOSH Work 2022 5 year strategy of Influence, Enhance and Collaborate have been laid and that the Branch through its executive committee and members, are well placed and very capable in taking the aims and objectives of the IOSH 5 year strategy forward in meeting the many challenges we face in the ever evolving world of occupational safety and health.

Before I announce the nominations for 2018, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the committee, branch members and head office for their help and support during my tenure as chair for the last 2 years. It was and is very much appreciated.

I would like to personally thank all my executive office bearers and executive committee members

- Stan, Andy, Adrian, Tom, Allan, Marion, Mark, Greg, Relations Manager Glenys Neville

But I am not going away just yet as I plan to continue to support the Branch committee and members as I have done over the last 15 years in my proposed capacity as Immediate Past Chair and I thank you all for all your support.

AGM Nominations 2018-2019

6. Election of members to the Branch committee for 2018/19

Those who had expressed interest were:

Alexander Fowler, Stan Brown, Marion Campbell, Andrew Cathro, Gregor McGhee, Adrian Pepper, Mark Taylor.

There were no objections

7. Election of Principal Branch Officers for 2017

Immediate Past Chair	Alexander Fowler
Chair	Stan Brown
Vice Chair	Gregor McGhee
Treasurer	Adrian Pepper
Secretary	Andrew Cathro
Events Coordinator	Mark Taylor
Communications Coordinator	Marion Campbell

There were no objections

A Fowler congratulated S Brown and passed over the chain of office. S Brown mentioned that he was honoured and privileged to accept the position of Chair and praised A Fowler on his dedication and excellent work with the Branch.

8. Any Other Business

S Brown informed the group that the site visit date is Friday 1 June 2018. Details will soon be on the web site.

T Mellon mentioned that Professor Billy Hare was undertaking a project on CDM and was looking for volunteers to share best practice. E-mail address below

bha2@gcu.ac.uk

9. Mind Solutions – Dr Alan Curly UC – Mind Solutions

A Curly enlightened the group on the wide variety of the therapy work carried out by the organisation in supporting individuals. This included issues related to smoking, drinking, weight loss and drugs, as well as, stress and pain management, motivation issues, phobias and sports psychology. He also discussed various aspects of mental health and gave some examples of good and bad practices. Alan highlighted that job pressures was the top reason for stress and how companies and individuals can provide support to individuals. He also illustrated how the human and animal brain reacts to different scenarios and answered question from the branch members.

S Brown gave the vote of thanks and presented A Curly with a gift.

10. Date of next meeting

Thursday 6 September 2018 at 7.30pm.

**IOSH Forth and Tay Branch
Treasurers Report for AGM, 19th April 2018
Accounts 2017/2018**

Funds		
Opening Balance	01/04/2017	£3,409.60
Additional Funds (IOSH HQ)	£2,545.90	
Total Funds	£5,955.50	
Expenditure		
Branch Meetings	£1,170.00	
Speakers	£466.00	
Admin	£5.75	
Equipment	£879.04	
Committee and Other Expenses	£2,970.35	
Total Expenditure	£5,491.14	
Closing Balance	31/03/2018	£464.36

Budget 2018/2019

Branch Meetings	£1,960.00
Speakers	£1,000.00
Committee Meetings	£2,000.00
Admin	£200.00
Support	£390.00
Equipment	£0.00
Additional	£600.00
Total Requested	£6,150.00

Funds Allocated from IOSH HQ £5,500.00