IIRSM East Midlands Branch Meeting Minutes
Meeting held 4 September 2013, 7pm, Swadlincote Town/Market Hall

Present
Gary Musson          Dennis Johnson          Marion Johnson
Kevin Swift          Mark Creed             Matt Barker
Phil Wilson          Catherine Wilkes       Ciarán Lennon
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Apologies
Gary Shout           Bronwen Macarthur-Williams Gordon Stokes
Tony Vozniak         Edward Braisher        Gary Bramley
Anthony Southwell    Lizz Fields-Pattinson Roy Cheevers
John Johnstone

Welcome by Chair
Gary Musson (GM) welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes of the Last Branch Meeting
The minutes of the last branch meeting (7 August 2013) were read and signed off as a true record.

Branch Christmas Party
- The date for the Christmas party was confirmed as Friday 20 December to be held at the Mickleover Court Hotel, Derby. The format of the evening will be a 3 course meal followed by a disco. The price per head is £41.25 for the evening (slightly enhanced price to raise some funds for the branch). Rooms can be booked for overnight stays for an additional £77.00 per room. For those who wish to attend, all bookings must be made and payment settled upfront by mid-October.
- Catherine Wilkes was asked to co-ordinate the arrangements with other Committee members supporting (Lizz Field-Pattinson, Anthony Southwell & Kevin Swift).

Regional Shows
- Two regional shows where IIRSM will be exhibiting were promoted at the meeting – Health & Safety North (Bolton 9-10 October 2013) and The Health & Safety Event (Birmingham 11-13 March 2014).
- GM noted that the Birmingham event provided a good opportunity to promote the East Midlands branch and requested volunteers to spend some time on the IIRSM stand at the event. Ciarán Lennon volunteered to attend one of the days.
- Any other branch members who will be attending and would like to volunteer should contact GM for further information and details (gary@gsmusson.com).
Round Table Discussion

In the absence of a speaker a round table discussion was held covering a number of topics put forward by GM, and suggested by the members present. Topics discussed included:

- Fee for Intervention
- RIDDOR changes in reporting
- Lofstedt Report update
- ACoP Reviews
- COSHH – Workplace Exposure Limits (WELs)

All agreed the session had proved interesting and useful. It was agreed that round table discussions should be scheduled into the future branch meeting calendar.

Any Other Business

None

Next Meeting:
Wed 2 Oct 2013, 7pm at Swadlincote Town/Market Hall, 16 Midland Road (The Delph), Swadlincote, Derbyshire, DE11 1SR.

Meeting Sponsor
The Committee would like to extend their sincere thanks to the sponsor of this month's meeting - CPW Safety Limited.

Meeting Closed  8.30pm