

Home Builders Health and Safety Forum Charter Action Plan 2012/13

Specific Actions		Target Date	Progress
1	Support the Building Products Delivery Working Group on the promotion of their guidance for safe delivery of building products.	August 2012	HBF have endorsed the guidance and members have agreed to issue leaflets and posters to all active developments and issue electronic copies to all suppliers.
2	Work with the Construction Plant- Hire Association (CPA) on developing guidance on the manoeuvring of roof trusses via a telehandler.	September 2012	Final guidance issued to members in August 2012.
3	Review and revitalise existing guidance for health and safety management on developments where collaboration agreements are in place.	November 2012	Final document issued – October 2012
4	Develop and issue members guidance on the health and safety competency of contractor's supervision working on home builders sites.	November 2012	Final document issued – January 2013
5	Review existing guidance for health and safety training for directly employed staff.	March 2013	Existing guidance to be reviewed at January 2013 meeting.

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6	Work with the HSE on developing appropriate guidance and systems of control for prevention of exposure to silica dust.	March 2013	Members implemented revised guidance issued in October 2012
7	Develop a campaign to promote awareness of the risks of skin cancer from ultra violet radiation exposure from the sun.	April 2013	Presentation provided to members at the July 2012 meeting Paul Madgwick on a project he is running to establish levels of awareness of the subject.
8	Consider the strategic Forum for Construction – Best Practice Guide ‘Medical Fitness to Operate Plant’ and establish if forum members are happy to endorse the guidance	September 2012	Feedback form Strategic Plant Forum due in early February 2013.
9	Promote the Utilities Code of Conduct as developed in the North East and establish if the concept can be endorsed nationally by the HSE and other industry groups.	June 2013	Comments received from the UKCG regarding endorsing the code which will be reviewed at the October members meeting
10	Develop a standard specification for the erection of home building scaffolds and link this if possible to industry guidance TG 20.	June 2013	NASC have responded to letters regarding a review of the provisions for housebuilding scaffolds in TG 20. They have indicated that the home building industry should develop their own guidance and this will be reviewed at the January 2013 meeting
11	Review process for members to provide information on both proactive safety measures and incidents/accidents.	March 2013	No progress to date
12	Review health and safety information provided to homeowners	June 2013	Review information and guidance previously issued in 2010 to ensure it remains appropriate.