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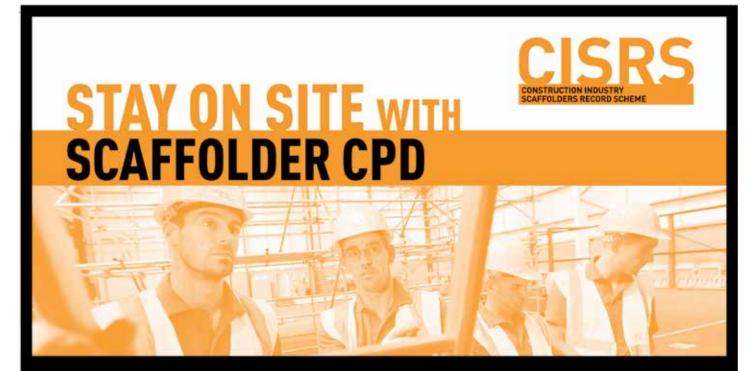
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NASC hosts second safety seminar

Representatives from main contractors and housebuilders attended the NASC Safety Seminar in Manchester. The morning event saw delegates - consisting primarily of Health and Safety, Contracts and Operations professionals - discuss a range of issues relating to scaffolding and safety on site and ways in which the NASC and its members can work more collaboratively with them to further raise standards.

The event was chaired by Wayne Connolly, managing director of Connolly Scaffolding and the NASC North and North Wales regional chairman.

Speakers at the seminar included NASC president and TRAD Group chief executive Des Moore, and David Mosley, CISRS scheme manager, along with guest speaker Bill Hill, chief executive of the Lighthouse Club, the construction industry charity.

Wayne Connolly said: "It was fantastic to talk to people working throughout the north west who regularly employ the services of scaffolding contractors about safety and learn more about the issues and challenges they face. The speakers helped frame the event, giving a quick overview of what the NASC's objectives are and the areas in which its actively working on including raising awareness of the importance of providing mental health support as well as improving mentoring opportunities and addressing the skills gap - which the delegates built upon during the break out and Q&A sessions."

Des Moore added: "I would like to thank the delegates for giving up their time to join us at this informal seminar and for providing such useful views and opinions on the day. We will use this feedback to help refine and enhance our engagement with main contractors, housebuilders and other businesses that procure scaffolding in the future."

This seminar followed a similar NASC event held in London earlier this year. Further events will be held across the UK next year.



Swedish Scaffolding Association take CIŠRS training centre tour

The NASC and CISRS arranged for more than 70 Swedish scaffolding industry professionals to gain a first hand feel for scaffolding training in the UK during a visit to the National Construction College near Glasgow.

The overseas group - comprising members of the STIB, an association of Swedish scaffolding contractors - had travelled to Scotland for their Annual General Meeting.

With the UK now widely regarded as leaders in scaffolding training, the STIB contacted the NASC to see whether its members could visit to a CISRS approved training centre.

STIB members were given a tour of the centre, witnessed CISRS training taking place and received short presentations from CISRS scheme manager David Mosley on the goals and objectives of the NASC and CISRS and an overview of the UK scaffolding market from Haki's engineering manager Charles Stratford, and sales manager Steve Coshall.

David Mosley said: "It was great to meet all the members of STIB, an association which we have developed positive working relationships with through our mutual membership of UEG, the representative body for scaffolding in Europe. I would also like to thank Alastair O'May, head of the access department at NCC Scotland for hosting the event."

Hakan Carlsson, permanent secretary of the STIB, said: "Our members really enjoyed the tour. It was great to witness first hand how scaffolding training is delivered in the UK. I'm sure our members have picked up more than a few ideas from CISRS in relation to scaffolding training which they can put into practice in Sweden."

NASC releases TG20:13 maintenance update

The NASC has released an updated version of its TG20:13 eGuide required by all existing users of version 1.2.

Version 1.3 - which can be downloaded for free in Windows, Mac and Android formats - has been created in response to a recent change in the way Google Maps works. This change sometimes causes version 1.2 to stop when trying to progress from the wind map screen to the compliance sheet.

Existing users will need to uninstall their current eGuide before installing the maintenance upgrade. This issue does not affect users with versions 1.0 or 1.1 of the eGuide. The NASC will update the DVD edition for new customers.

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