

Newsletter

May 2026

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Welcome...

..... to the May 2026 newsletter. At this month's event, Council Member Louise Mansfield welcomed Professor Craig Jackson from Birmingham City University and Member Mike Wright who tackled the subject of Behavioral Safety.

Mike's interactive session had the attendees answering a series of questions to see what personality type they were which involved us moving around the room.

Craig's talk tackled the important but challenging topic of Workplace Suicide Prevention. This in-depth presentation went through the statistics, the reasons for suicide and several workplace case-studies that highlighted the difficulties in determining the links between work and suicide, finishing with some tips and ideas that Members can use when managing the risks and putting together policies in their own workplace.

Louise Mansfield
BHSEA Council Member



Behavioural Safety

Mike Wright

Interactive Session



Workplace Suicide Prevention

Professor Craig Jackson – Birmingham City University

PRESENTATION



Member updates



New Members

- Five new Members – Clarissa Callas, Duaine Taylor – RSK, UK-Nsi Co Ltd, MCS Build and Now u Know Training Ltd



BHSEA Referral Scheme

Existing BHSEA members who refer a new member to join, that then signs up, will automatically be included in a Membership Referral Free Prize Draw* to win a £50 Amazon Gift Voucher. Therefore, the more new members you refer, the more times your name will be in the prize draw* and the better your chance of winning.



FREE Croner Webinar Reminder

A new era of the Health and Safety profession

Wednesday, May 27 2026 13:00

[A new era of the Health and Safety profession - 27/05/26](#)



Safety & Health Expo

Thanks to all the Members who helped out on the stand and to all our Members who stopped by to say hello.

Winners of the daily draw included two BHSEA Members, Chris Ogden and New Member Duaine Taylor.

Partner Updates



BSiF

Health and Safety Matters Live – Coventry

SGUK will have a stand there promoting the benefits of joining local safety groups.

Click here for more information [Home | Health & Safety Matters Live](#)



Driving for Better Business Myth Buster Playing Cards

These cards have been designed to be used for structured discussion between managers and drivers – in team briefings, toolbox talks, induction sessions or as part of a wider driver safety initiative.

Download [here](#)



BSiF

COMBATting DANGEROUS PPE SOLD ONLINE -

BSiF releases its first short social media video and urges the market to be aware of the dangers in sourcing PPE.

Watch the first video here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=trFGtUwvxl>

HSE Updates

No Falls Week 2026: 18 to 22 May **Falls from height continue to be the most common cause of fatal accidents to construction workers in Great Britain.**

HSE's [construction industry statistics](#) show that falls from height were the cause of over half (53%) of construction worker fatalities in 2024 to 2025.

The [No Falls Foundation](#) is running its annual No Falls Week, promoting safe working at height. Campaign resources are available via the [No Falls Week website](#), along with the [campaign press release](#).

A recent [HSE prosecution](#) following a fatal fall from height highlights the importance of effective controls. Visit HSE's website for more guidance and information on [working at height](#).



Improving noise reports: Practical guidance for consultants

As part of HSE's current noise inspection campaign, specialists have reviewed the quality and content of noise and vibration consultants' reports and identified a number of common failings.

A free webinar held last month highlighted these findings and provided practical advice on how reports can be improved. If you were unable to attend, a recording of the webinar is now available to view by registering on the webinar event page: [Improving noise reports webinar - recording](#)

HSE has updated its infections and biological hazards at work guidance

The refreshed guidance will help employers identify biological hazards and manage infection risks at work, with practical advice on risk assessment and applying the law. A new site structure makes it easier to find relevant information based on workplace type and potential risks. Outdated and non-workplace content has been removed, and the guidance now includes clearer navigation, stronger links to related HSE resources, and signposting to authoritative clinical sources such as the NHS and the UK Health Security Agency.

Visit the refreshed guidance on [infections and biological hazards at work](#).

HSE Updates

Dry cutting to be avoided: HSE guidance and inspections underway

HSE has published new guidance on engineered stone and launched nationwide inspections as part of a major programme to tackle risks from silica dust.

The aim of the new guidance and inspection programme is to protect workers from silicosis, a serious and irreversible lung disease caused by breathing in engineered stone dust.

The deaths of 2 young workers in 2024 prompted urgent calls for action from MPs, trade unions, and medical professionals. Engineered stone, widely used in kitchen and bathroom worktops, can contain up to 95% crystalline silica.

Silicosis can develop within months or years, unlike natural stone, which may take decades. Workers can suffer permanent lung damage before any symptoms appear.

What you need to do

Employers are encouraged to check controls are in place and to read the new guidance.

Workers should know their rights and the controls that should protect them.

To find out more, you can:

- read the [new guidance on working with engineered stone](#)
- visit the [engineered stone pages](#) on the Work Right website
- find out more about the guidance and inspections in the news release: [HSE says no dry cutting of engineered stone ahead of inspection crackdown](#)

SGUK 2026 Awards

Safety Groups UK is pleased to announce it's 2026 Awards programme culminating in the celebration of individual award winners on the 5th of November at the National Motorcycle Museum in Birmingham.

Following BHSEA Member success at previous SGUK Awards, WA Management and Stop N Go we are hoping to encourage Members to enter the Awards. It is also open to non-members and we encourage you to find any organisation who is not a member and encourage them to apply, they will receive one year of membership of BHSEA if they win a top award.

The application process for the 2026 round of the Awards is open, and the application forms for all relevant categories can be downloaded via the link below.

[Home - SGUK Awards](#)

Entries for these Awards can be made up to Friday 29th of May 2026 to enable the judging process to begin. Those that are successful at the first stage of judging will be invited to present their entry, either in person or virtually, at the second and final stage of judging. We will ensure that adequate notice of target dates for this is provided for participants.

SGUK are keen to secure as many entries as possible to all Award categories this year and I would like to urge you to enter.



Paul Singh receiving Gold Excellence Award on behalf of the BHSEA Training Subcommittee 2025



2026 Programme of Events



Monthly meetings take place on the second Monday of each month starting at 1:30.

2026 Dates for your Diary

- 11 May: Behavioral Safety – Craig Jackson/Mike Wright and Steve Warwood - UCB
- 8 Jun: Thorlux Factory Visit
- 22 Jun: Webinar – POWER /CE Marking
- 14 Sep: Free Training Session – Confined Spaces - Sunbelt
- 14 Sep: Legal Update
- 6 Oct: BHSEA Annual Conference
- 12 Oct: Free Training Session – RPE – BSif and Sundstrom
- 12 Oct: Construction Matters – Panel Discussion
- 9 Nov: Free Training Session – Manual Handling
- 9 Nov: Health – AI and Manual Handling, Gambling
- 14 Dec: 2025 BHSEA Awards and Karen Hewitt – The Power of Story Telling

Member Special Offer

MORE DETAILS



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3 Day Virtual Course – 24th, 25th & 26th June 2025

£450.00+VAT Per Delegate

BHSEA Member Rate £350.00+VAT

Top 5 delegate benefits:

Assess and control risks
Understand your own responsibilities
Investigate incidents & accidents
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Next Training Webinar

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PUWER and CE Marking

22th June 2026 | 12.30 – 13.30

Chris Newson – Make UK



- An outline of the current legal landscape with regard to workplace machinery (EU&NI & UK).
- Proposed changes affecting GB supply in the next two years.
- The impact of these changes on the application of the PUWER regulations.
- What UK businesses need to do next.
- Q&A

MAKEuk
The Manufacturers' Organisation

Next Event

REGISTER NOW

Thorlux Lighting Factory Visit

8th June 2026 | 09.30 – 15.00

Redditch

We're delighted to invite members to join us on 8th June 2026 for an exclusive behind-the-scenes visit to Thorlux Lighting.

This will be a highly interactive and engaging day, with attendees rotating through five informative sessions. Each session is designed to educate, inform and surprise, giving us a real insight into innovation, sustainability and manufacturing excellence.

We are limited to 42 spaces, so early booking is essential. A waiting list will be set up.

