

## Carbon Footprinting

Archie Prentice of Practically Green was the guest speaker for the well-attended September HICSF meeting.

He gave a valuable insight for those Quality and H&S professionals who are increasingly having environmental issues added to their remit.

He provided examples of operational carbon footprints, noting that carbon costs money and suggested how to set realistic targets for improvement.

Meeting sponsors Resource Efficient Scotland followed with 2 speakers,  
- Rob Snaith, Implementation Advisor  
- Becky Fretwell, Specialist Transport Advisor of the Energy Saving Trust

Both the RES and Practically Green presentations, along with briefing sheet are shared on webpage  
[www.hctg.net/highlands-islands-safety-forum/](http://www.hctg.net/highlands-islands-safety-forum/)

## CITB Update

*Vanessa Gallant, local manager explained the new team in place.*

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## HSE Update

*Liz Hunter HSE inspector highlighted accident statistics and enforcement, topics for improvement, and mentioned a forthcoming Refurbishment fortnight coming up in October.*

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## Other items

Ian Phillips gave a short update on behalf of HCTG, highlighting plans for an Occupational Health SHAD event on 23<sup>rd</sup> November in Dingwall.

*Neil Wallace reported on the review taking place within Site Safe Scotland, with possible synergies with a review of CONIAC – an advisory committee. Posting of SSS information on HSE website had been discontinued whilst the HSE looks at possible options.*

CIHT invited anyone interested to book on a site visit to the £22.5M Inverness West Link project on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October – see details on webpage  
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The forum welcomes feedback on meetings and venues, together with new ideas for topics and speakers.

**PROVISIONAL DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January, TBC**  
Includes Sharing Good Practice items and latest updates from HSE

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