

Highways – A Dangerous Place to Work

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**Health, Safety and Well-Being
Advisory Group**

Highways Term Maintenance Association

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About HTMA

We are the trade body for the UK highways management and maintenance industry.

Formed in 2005 to promote the positive contribution that the highways management and maintenance industry makes to the nation.

14 full and currently 14 associate members. The industry employs around 30,000 people and the annual value of works is over £3.6 billion.



How We Deliver

HTMA Committee:

- Nominated representatives from each full member organisation.
- Ratifies the strategy and commissions projects each of the Advisory Groups.
- Approves best practice documents, position statements and legislative guidance.

HTMA Executive:

- Selected committee members and the Chief Executive.
- Manages the day to day affairs of HTMA.
- Develop policy and strategy.
- Oversee the activities of the Advisory Groups.

HTMA Advisory Groups:

- Health, Safety and Well-Being
- Technology and Network Management
- Sustainability

HTMA Communications Group:

- Provides cross organisation support to the committee, executive and advisory groups

The Health, Safety and Well-Being Advisory Group

Currently delivering a programme of task and finish groups: -

- Fatigue Risk Management – Delivering Q4 2019
- Roadworks Incursions and Roadworker Abuse – Delivering Q4 2019
- Failing Safely – Delivering Q4 2020
- Removing the Root Causes of Mental Health – Delivering Q4 2020

Annual Safety Conference – Driving New Ideas: -

- Held every Autumn
- Brings together member service providers and client organisations
- Share progress and generates new ideas

Task and finish programme review

- Undertaken by the Advisory Group members early in each year
- Delivers recommendations for task and finish groups in the Spring

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Why is this important...

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Vehicle Incursions

Impact protection vehicles struck by another vehicle - 2

To seek information - 3

Seeking refuge - 12

Follow in - 42

Collision - 50

Confusion - 58

To seek benefit -970

Total = 1,137 (1st January 2017 to 30th April 2018)

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Roadworker Abuse

Verbal - 199

Physical (No LTI) - 56

Physical (LTI) - 2

Total = 257 (1st January 2017 to 30th April 2018)



What do incursions and abuse look like



What is the HTMA doing in response?

- Reviewing standards and making recommendations
 - Works access detail
 - Potential vehicle restraint mechanisms
- Engaging with key stakeholders
 - National Police Chiefs Council
 - Crown Prosecution Service and Procurator Fiscal
- Raising Awareness
 - Dedicated campaign material
 - Successful local / regional media links
- Knowledge Base
 - Continue with rolling data collection programme
 - Share learning between member organisations
- Tangible Output
 - Industry wide management tool kit

What can ADEPT members do to help?

- Plan works collaboratively
 - Do sites include trigger points or known hot spots
 - Support proactive engagement and stakeholder management
 - Consider risk and opportunity in equal measure
- Share data and information
 - Other client service areas
 - Multi agency data sets
- Support your Service Provider
 - Endorse police reports
 - Raise awareness

Thank you for your time

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