Health & Safety Bulletin



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New GB health and safety strategy

The HSE has just published six themes that the <u>new five-year GB strategy</u> will cover. The six themes for the strategy are:

- Promoting broader ownership of workplace health and safety
- Highlighting and tackling the burden of work-related ill-health
- Supporting small firms
- Enabling productivity through proportionate risk management
- Anticipating and tackling the challenges of new technology and ways of working
- Sharing the benefits of Great Britain's approach

A discussion has now started to engage with the people and organisations that can help the nations and regions of Great Britain work well.

HSE Chair Judith Hackitt said: "We can be proud of the country's record on work-related safety and health – it's one of the best in the world. Making it even better is the challenge, so that we can all continue to help Great Britain work well. Getting risk management right is an enabler for productivity, innovation and growth, and is integral to business success as well as the wellbeing of workers.

"We're starting a conversation with a wide range of influencers – including employers, workers, local and central government, unions, other regulators and key representative groups – because it's important that this is a strategy for all, shaped by all."

Justin Tomlinson MP, Minister for Disabled People, with responsibility for health and safety, said: "In Government, we are determined to build a more productive Britain, one that rewards hard work and helps all to benefit from the opportunities of economic growth.

"It is essential that health and safety is part of that, supporting British employers in their ambition and supporting workers who want to get on.

"Taking sensible steps to keep workers safe and well is something that the best-run businesses do. It's good for people, it's good for productivity and it's good for growth."

More details on how people can join in will be released at www.hse.gov.uk/strategy in the coming weeks. Plans include events

across Great Britain, digital discussion groups and a campaign hashtag: #HelpGBWorkWell

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