



REGIONAL MEETING

Thursday 3rd October 2024
at 12.30pm

Lecture Room 3, British Motor Museum, Banbury Road, Gaydon, Warwickshire, CV35 0BJ

AGENDA

12.30

Lunch

1.30

Regional Meeting

1.30pm

President's welcome & update– Tom Marren, President

1.40pm

Apprenticeship Course content update & discussion – Kevin Cartwright, Director

2.05pm

Comms Report & UKWF Strategic Plan – Katie Begg, UKWF

2.20pm

Presentation MAKE UK – Chris Corkran.

Opportunities and Challenges facing the Manufacturing Sector

2.45pm

Panel: Weights & Measures in a modern environment: Iain Hoey & Ian Turner Trading Standards.

3.15pm

Coffee & Networking

3.35pm

Technical Officer's Report – Ian Turner, UKWF

3.55pm

Roundtable discussions on Industry topics – discussions to include

1. Representing and upholding the highest regulatory standards

- All ideas welcome in how to better promote UKWF membership as a 'kite-mark' for high quality standards and regulatory compliance in the UK market.

- We would also like specific feedback on the value of the UKWF producing proposals for Government that facilitate a degree of industry self-regulation, such as periodic reverification or earned autonomy.

Before the roundtable, we will explain these approaches in more detail.

2. Addressing skills growth and sustainability in our industry

- We would appreciate members feeding back on any challenges they might have in staff recruitment, retention and training.

- We would also appreciate further feedback on the UKWF's own training scheme and proposed apprenticeship scheme.



3. Working with and influencing Governments in the UK and overseas to promote a strong regulatory framework

- We would like to build evidence of the impact of lack of resource for regulatory enforcement. We would particularly welcome feedback on how many trading standards inspections members have had over the past few years.

4. Supporting our members and securing the future of the Federation

- We would welcome any feedback on what more we can be doing for members or how we can do more to promote the Federation.
- What do you feel could be the benefits or risks of offering some kind of affiliate membership to overseas weighing federations?

5. Developing our partnership approach

- Are there other organisations the UKWF should partner with?
- Which industries is it helpful for UKWF to promote the benefits of high quality, compliant weighing companies to?

4.30pm Discussion wrap up

4.45pm AOB and close