



CIEH Health and Safety Conference

Half-day conference: Wednesday 22 April 2026

09.15 **Registration and online login**

09.30 **Welcome and introduction**

Chair: Adele Masztalerz, Head of Safety Management, Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust

09.35 Update on Martyn's Law – The Terrorism (Protection of Premises) Act 2025

Now received Royal Assent and is set to strengthen the UK's approach to public safety and counter-terrorism preparedness. What's changed? Act set to introduce new duties for those responsible for certain premises and events to ensure they are ready to respond effectively in the event of a terrorist incident

Speaker: Thomas, Yih, Deputy Director - Notifications, Casework and Assessment, Martyn's Law Regulation, Security Industry Authority

10:15 The Control of Asbestos Regulations and Guidance - the Select Committee's recommendations and HSE's response

- Further details on what local authorities and HSE inspectors will be focusing on
- Speaker: Annmarie Staunton, Senior Policy Advisor, HSE

10:45 **Comfort break & sponsorship videos**

11:05 From perks to prevention: redefining health and wellbeing for today's workforce

Speaker: Ruth Wilkinson, Head of Policy and Regulatory Engagement, IOSH

11:30 Panel discussion: Increasing issue of work-related stress – the silent killer
Panellists:

- Paul Spurrier, Head of Local Authority Team, HSE
- Heather Beach – Chair of Women in Safety Network, Healthy Work Company
- Ruth Wilkinson, Head of Policy and Regulatory Engagement, IOSH

12:25 Rough sleepers seeking shelter in bins – a call to action for health and safety

Speakers:

- Toni Robinson, Chair of the Waste Industry Safety and Health (WISH) Forum
- Rachel Kavanagh, Health and Safety Business Partner, Biffa

12:55 The Purple Guide: legal status, risk assessment and the role of regulators

- Exploring the legal status of the Purple Guide as non-statutory guidance and the importance of suitable and sufficient risk assessments under existing health and safety legislation, and how organisers and consultants should use the Guide appropriately

Speaker: Calvin Hanks, Principal Consultant, Calvin Hanks Safety Services

13.25 **Closing remarks**

13.30 **End of conference**