

**LGA Streetworks Task Force**

**25 July 2013 2-4pm**

**Note of meeting**

**Attendees:** Paul Jewel (Western Power); Jeremy Bending (National Grid); Peter Box (LGA, Chair); Tony Ball and Mike Haines (LGA, Vice and Deputy Chairs); Anita Solanki (NJUG and SevernTrent); Samantha Brothwell (NJUG and Western Power); MicDave Turnbull (BT Openreach and NJUG) Michael Conway (CECA and FM Conway); Dave Capon (JAGUK); Mark Beasley (TfL); Shane Brennan (Association of Convenience Stores); Richard Mace(DfT) – Matthew Lugg (Highways Maintenance Efficiency Programme – HMEP); LGA Officers (Ian Hughes, Eamon Lally, Charles Loft and Ben Knowles).

**1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**2. WHAT DOES GOOD LOOK LIKE?**

The paper was discussed and changes agreed.

**LGA and NJUG to liaise on releasing this as a joint statement.**

**3. INFORMATION TO BUSINESS**

The NJUG document would benefit from additions to include the regulators' and highway authorities' details.

The business groups felt their members needed access to a website that would show where streetworks were planned like the London Works one.

There should also be information on how companies dealt with complaints

**NJUG to circulate document with utilities details added.**

**LGA to investigate what was available in terms of websites covering the rest of England.**

**Dave Capon and Mark Beasley to circulate a framework for engagement with business for comments.**

**Discussion to resume at next meeting**

**4. CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE**

There was a discussion over the extent to which the ETON system would allow contractors to be identified and whether this was the right approach.

Dave Capon reported that JAGUK were working with a contractor to identify the reasons why things went wrong and would report back at the next meeting

**Discussion to be resumed at next meeting following Dave's report**

**5. HMEP UPDATE**

Matthew Lugg gave an update on the HMEP streetworks activity. A steering group had been established consisting of NJUG JAG(UK) DfT HTMA. A questionnaire had been devised.

**6. NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER LOCAL GOVERNMENT HOUSE 2-4PM (TBC)**