

South East Region News

About the SE region Management Board



The South East Region board has 12 members representing (5 county branches, 3 trustees, C&I SIG, treasurer, Executive Officer and retired member).

The board meets 5 times per year, before the regional forums, and meetings are focussed on delivering the business plan, in particular the three key projects on communications, student placements and rejuvenating the Hampshire and Oxfordshire branches.

Our Chair

The South Eastern Region Management board Chair for 2009 is Patricia Jefford.

Patricia is trustee for Kent and Sussex and has recently retired as Assistant Director, Public Health and Communities at Gravesham Council.

Patricia has been on CIEH Council continuously since 1986, and was its first woman Chairman in 1990.

She was appointed to the Government's Advisory Committee the Microbiological Safety of Food for two terms totalling 5years.

Vice Chair

Vice Chair this year is Jennifer Folliard who works as a health and safety advisor at Reading University.

She has a background in Local Government and is very active in assessing student log books and APD each year.

Joining the SE management board



Do you want to be part of the team working towards making EHPs voice heard at the regional level?

The management board has several vacancies and would like enthusiastic new members to help it take its 2009/11 business plan forward (see www.cieh.org/southeast)

The Region's vision is a competent and fully qualified Environmental Health workforce, recognised and fully engaged with all levels of regional and local government and other statutory agencies

We have vacancies for members who are:

- New professionals
- Students

The competencies needed to undertake these positions are set out in our policy and practices document (see www.cieh.org/southeast) and include ability to travel and a capacity to represent the sector you are from.

Nominations for membership should be made from your local EHP peers to the SE executive officer (southeast@cieh.org)

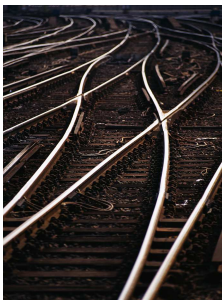
The final decision on filling the positions shall be at the discretion of the Board. Posts shall be for a period of 3 years, but the member may sit for more than one term.

Joint Regions Seminar

London & the SE regions held a successful two day seminar in April at Surrey University. 50 delegates enjoyed speakers on some diverse topics ranging from Olympic EH, noise abatement, to pest control.

Rejuvenating our branches

Hampshire



March saw the first meeting of a group of Hampshire EHPs who will be taking forward creating a new branch.

The group included both Local government and commercial EHPs and also has a representative from the Hampshire chiefs group.

The group agreed their objectives might be:

- To provide networking opportunities for EHPs across a range of employers in addition to the local authority specialist groups
- To provide CPD opportunities for EHPs both within and outside the current workforce across a range of specialist subjects
- To provide support to student and newly qualified EHP's in developing their practice
- To provide a CIEH link to the EH Managers group both for the Regional Board and Headquarters
- To improve communications between CIEH and the membership
- To provide social networking opportunities

But they will be consulting members on the final objectives and will be sending out a questionnaire to all Hampshire members soon. Watch this space!!

If you want to be part of the Hampshire Branch please contact alan.higgins@ehms.co.uk who is leading the project.

Oxfordshire



Initial work has started on the Oxfordshire branch rejuvenation.

We are currently looking for EHPs living or working in

Oxfordshire who would be interested in helping establish a branch and network.

If you would be interested in helping establish an Oxfordshire branch please contact southeast@cieh.org

Successful March Forum



Sussex Housing group arranged a very successful housing themed SE forum in March.

Nearly 100 delegates saw 8 topical speakers including CIEH policy officer ?? and speakers from Bristol University, East Sussex

Energy Partnership, Eastbourne Council and marketing team, Bristol University, talking on topics as diverse as local energy efficiency schemes to Empty property strategies. .

Delegates all rated the day as very good or good and speakers were pleased with the feedback received.

Upcoming Events

All south east events, both region and branch, are listed on the regions website

www.cieh.org/southeast.

Region forums are planned for 2009 on:

- 10th June – Reading University - Berkshire. Theme: Food Safety and Health Protection with speakers including Julie Barrat outlining the implications for the profession of the latest Pennington report.
- TBA - Seminar to create a south east action plan for increasing numbers of student placements. (If you are interested in this event please contact nigel.haverson@horsham.gov.uk)
- 10th September – SE Forum - Hampshire
- 2nd December – SE Forum - Buckinghamshire.

Details of our **free** forums will be advertised in EHN and via EHCnet, and on www.cieh.org/southeast

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