

## ChargeUK Operational Safety Group

Date: Friday 3 May, 11am

Attendees: Alex Hinchcliffe, Graham Allan, Jarrod Birch, Brad Hunt, Lee Barnett, Lewis Gardiner, Lindsay Wade, Mark Williamson, Vitor Monteiro, Paul Nichols, Simon Pickett, Shaun Quirk, Stephanie Byrne, Vicky Read, Kevin Bewick, Richard Stobart, Alex Hinchcliffe, Andrew Murdy, Jarrod Birch, Kevin Dodd, David Nesbitt, Richard Gibson, Keith Martin, Wendy Gallagher, Harry McKay, Joe Mooney, Harry Methley, Krisha Indrakumar

### Discussion

1. HM flagged competition policy.
2. SP introduced the session as member lead and what the working group will intend to do, such as agreeing ChargeUK's messaging in this area.
3. SP shared a term of reference, noting that this will be circulated following the meeting. SP asked members if they would be happy in sharing their organisations' best practices.
4. AM noted that the biggest issues are ill-advised fire safety and fire risk assessments.
5. VM noted that DEFRA are reviewing battery regulation. This group can agree on wording on how to respond to frequent queries.
6. SP requested that members send any actions or recommendations for discussion to the Secretariat.
7. KB noted that we need to be conscious that it can become a big group with the various practices so it would be good to discuss on how we can make it easy for the group to come together on issues.
8. VR noted that it may be useful to circulate what the other working groups are currently doing to ensure that there is no crossover.
9. VR noted that it may be useful to map out what other associations are also doing to ensure there is no crossover.
10. SP requested that members send across email on priorities.
11. PN noted that more voices together, with the lobbying angle, would be positive.
12. SP noted that we are already collating criminal offences on vandalism under Operation Volt, and that we met with the Home Office to discuss fire safety issues earlier this week. If members would like to be added to the Operation Volt tracker, do let us know.
13. KB noted that competence should also be added to list of topics to be discussed.
14. AM noted that there is a misconception around EV vehicles and charging.
15. SP noted priorities for the group will be circulated following the meeting and members were encouraged to flag any issues / priorities.
16. AM noted the fire risk issue and his role within Energy UK in this space.
17. SP noted that as of right now, the plan is for the group to meet monthly.
18. VR spoke on reliability and PAS1899 Working Group. This is a potential topic that can possibly be discussed.

### Actions

- Members to feedback on priorities.
- Secretariat to share terms of reference with members.