

Construction Industry Council

Committee on Construction Safety
Summary of Meeting No. 001/25

Key Highlights

1. The Frontline Personnel Safety Performance Recording Scheme (Scheme) would be launched on 2 April 2025. At the same time, the HKIC would launch two safety performance improvement courses for the Scheme as well, namely “Safety Performance Improvement Course for Frontline Workers” and “Safety Performance Improvement Course for Frontline Supervisors”.
2. The “Life First 2025” safety promotion campaign would be launched in May 2025.
3. For the survey on the safety awareness, the final report had been drafted. The report recommended both short-term and ongoing actions. Six types of follow-up actions had been categorised as follows:
 - (a) launch of the Frontline Personnel Safety Performance Recording Scheme;
 - (b) promote smart site safety and innovative technologies;
 - (c) encourage management to participate the culture of safety leadership;
 - (d) enhance safety training;
 - (e) promote safety in construction industry; and
 - (f) promote and enhance the safety culture in construction sites.
4. For the 4S Labelling Scheme, as of 25 March 2025, 524 projects were awarded the labels.
5. The second phase of the Design for Safety Pilot Run was expected to be launched in the second quarter of 2025.

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Meeting No. 001/25 of the Committee on Construction Safety (Com-CSY) was held on 27 March 2025 (Thursday) at 9:30am at the Board Room, 29/F, Tower 2, Enterprise Square Five (MegaBox), Kowloon Bay.

Summary Notes of the Com-CSY Meeting No. 001/25:

Agenda Item	Paper	Major Resolutions/ Progress Highlights
1.1	-	Code of Conduct of Members and Declaration of Conflict of Interest Members of the Com-CSY noted the Code of Conduct of Members and declared no conflict of interest in relation to the matters discussed in the meeting.
1.2	CIC/CSY/M/004/24 (for information)	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Com-CSY Meeting No. 004/24 Members of the Com-CSY confirmed the minutes of the Meeting held on 19 December 2024.
1.3	CIC/CSY/M/004/24 (for information)	Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting Agenda Item 4.6 – The Hong Kong Institute of Construction (HKIC) would launch a mobile elevating platform training course in April 2025. The course content covered theory and training on the operation of different types of mobile elevating platforms. It was expected that the course would be tested in April this year.
1.4	CIC/CSY/P/001/25 (for approval)	Progress of the Subcommittee on Safety Promotion (SSP) The progress of the SSP was given as follows:

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		<p>(a) The “Life First 2025” safety promotion campaign would be launched in May this year and projects from different organisations would be invited to participate in the competitions.</p> <p>(b) For “Construction Safety Week 2025”, the Kick-off Ceremony and Conference, and CCSAS Award Ceremony would be held on 25 and 29 August 2025 respectively. The details would be discussed with the Development Bureau.</p> <p>(c) The Frontline Personnel Safety Performance Recording Scheme would be launched on 2 April this year. Promotional activities would include a launching ceremony, promotional videos and briefing sessions.</p> <p>Members of the Com-CSY approved the summary notes of the meeting of the SSP held on 10 March 2025 and noted the work progress of various tasks.</p>
1.5	CIC/CSY/P/002/25 (for approval)	<p>Progress of the Subcommittee on Safety Training (SST)</p> <p>The progress of the SST was given as follows:</p> <p>(a) The HKIC regularly incorporated safety alerts of industry accidents into its safety training courses to remind students on the safety measures to prevent similar accidents.</p> <p>(b) Two sessions of Master Class in Safety Leadership Culture were held on 21 January and 18 March 2025. Mr. Rex WONG, CEO of Kum Shing Group and Mr. Carl DEVLIN, Capital Works Director of MTR Corporation Limited, were the guest speakers respectively.</p> <p>(c) All courses of the HKIC had incorporated the key safety elements that were promoted by the CIC, such as safety roles and responsibilities, safety supervision, dynamic risk assessment and smart site safety system.</p> <p>Members of the Com-CSY approved the summary notes of the meeting of the SST held on 11 March</p>

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		2025 and noted the work progress of various tasks.
1.6	(PowerPoint Presentation) (for information)	<p>Progress of Revamp of the HKIC - Kwai Chung Campus (KCC) Safety Training Centre</p> <p>The progress was given by HKIC as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The HKIC would launch two safety performance improvement courses for the Frontline Personnel Safety Performance Recording Scheme (the Scheme) in April 2025, namely “Safety Performance Improvement Course for Frontline Workers” and “Safety Performance Improvement Course for Frontline Supervisors”, to provide retraining for frontline staff with unsatisfactory safety performance to enhance their safety awareness. (b) The HKIC would launch the mobile elevating platform training course in April 2025. (c) The Safety Experience Training Centre (SETC) had added new equipment for smart site safety system, including multi-functional smart helmets and portable gas monitoring equipment for confined spaces, to enrich the course content. <p>Members of the Com-CSY noted that the Occupational Safety and Health Council (OSCH) also organised similar training course for mobile elevating platform. They suggested that the HKIC could discuss the course content with the OSHC to meet the actual needs of the industry.</p> <p>Members of the Com-CSY noted the relevant work progress.</p>
1.7	CIC/CSY/P/003/25 (for approval)	<p>Progress of the Subcommittee on Safety Technical Issues (STI)</p> <p>The progress of the STI was given as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) For the Frontline Personnel Safety Performance Recording Scheme (the Scheme), the CIC had sent emails to solicit support from the construction industry in participating in the Scheme. The

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		<p>Scheme platform would be linked to the CIC APP and would have reminders to encourage frontline personnel to actively participate in safety training.</p> <p>(b) For the CIC Research and Technology Development Fund, project - Monitoring System for Scaffold Conditions Using Distributed Sensors and Mesh Networks, the applicant had submitted the first progress report. The STI endorsed the first progress report.</p> <p>Members of the Com-CSY approved the summary notes of the meeting of the STI held on 12 March 2025 and noted the work progress of various tasks.</p>
1.8	CIC/CSY/P/004/25 CIC/CSY/P/005/25 (for approval)	<p>Progress of the Working Group on Survey on Safety Awareness (WG-SSA)</p> <p>The progress of the WG-SSA was given as follows:</p> <p>(a) The final survey report had been drafted.</p> <p>(b) The survey report recommended both short-term and ongoing actions. The WG-SSA had categorised the follow-up actions into the following six types:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) launch of the Frontline Personnel Safety Performance Recording Scheme; (ii) promote smart site safety and innovative technologies; (iii) encourage management to participate the culture of safety leadership; (iv) enhance safety training; (v) promote safety in construction industry; and (vi) promote and enhance the safety culture in construction sites. <p>(c) The WG-SSA had completed its relevant work. Follow-up actions would be followed up and reported by the Com-CSY.</p> <p>Members of the Com-CSY agreed to dissolve the WG-SSA. The Chairperson of the Com-CSY</p>

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		<p>expressed his gratitude to the Chairperson, Ir Danny HUNG, and other Members of the WG-SSA for their valuable suggestions, which contributed to the work to be completed smoothly.</p> <p>Regarding one of the activities for (b) (vi) above - the lunchtime safety briefing, a Member of the Com-CSY suggested that the CIC could consider inviting more leaders of different industry organisations to participate to show care for frontline personnel.</p> <p>Members of the Com-CSY approved the summary notes of the meetings of the WG-SSA held on 19 December 2024 and 14 March 2025, and noted the work progress of various tasks.</p>
1.9	CIC/CSY/P/006/25 CIC/CSY/P/007/25 (for approval)	<p>Progress of the Task Force on Smart Site Safety System Standardisation (TF-4SS)</p> <p>The progress of the TF-4SS was given as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) For the development of the Application Programming Interface (API) for Central Management Platform (CMP), the development work was expected to be completed by 2025. The CIC would conduct consultation sessions to collect views from industry stakeholders on the formulation of a standardised API. (b) For the 4S Labelling Scheme, as of 25 March 2025, 524 projects were awarded the labels. (c) The Appeal Panel of Smart Site Safety System Labelling Scheme (AP4SLS) had been established. <p>Members of the Com-CSY approved the summary notes of the meeting of the TF-4SS held on 18 March 2025 and noted the work progress of various tasks.</p>
1.10	CIC/CSY/P/008/25 (for approval)	<p>Progress of the Task Force on Design for Safety (TF-DfS)</p> <p>The progress of the TF-DfS was given as follows:</p>

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		<p>(a) A sharing session for the Design for Safety (DfS) Pilot Run (the Pilot Run) was tentatively scheduled to be held in the second quarter of 2025. Three projects participating in the first phase of the Pilot Run would be invited to share their experiences.</p> <p>(b) The tendering process for the second phase of the Pilot Run had been completed. Aurecon had been engaged as the consultant for both the first and second phases of the Pilot Run. The second phase of the Pilot Run was expected to be launched in the second quarter of 2025. Priority would be given to those project applicants who were not selected in the first phase of the pilot run.</p> <p>Members of the Com-CSY approved the summary notes of the meeting of the TF-DfS held on 27 February 2025 and noted the work progress of various tasks.</p>
1.11	CIC/CSY/P/009/25 (for approval)	<p>Progress of the Task Force on Truss-out Bamboo Scaffolds (TF-TOS)</p> <p>The term of office of the Members of the TF-TOS would expire in June 2025 and Members of the Com-CSY approved the proposal to re-appoint Members of the TF-TOS until June 2027 (i.e. a 2-year term of office).</p>
1.12	CIC/CSY/P/010/25 (for approval)	<p>Progress of the Task Force on Construction Scaffolding Materials (TF-CSM)</p> <p>The progress of the TF-CSM was given as follows:</p> <p>(a) The framework of the roadmap for expanding the application of metal scaffolding was as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short-term goal: launch a pilot run for the use of metal scaffolding • Medium-term goal: increase the number of metal scaffolding workers through training to cope with the increase in construction workload and the transformation of bamboo scaffolding workers • Long-term goal: use metal scaffolding on construction sites widely

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		<p>(b) It was suggested engaging a consultancy company to conduct the survey on the current situation of the scaffolding industry and the feasibility of expanding the application of metal scaffolding.</p> <p>(c) A metal scaffolding technical support team would be set up to provide support to projects participating in the pilot run.</p> <p>Members of the Com-CSY approved the summary notes of the meeting of the TF-CSM held on 16 January 2025 and noted the work progress of various tasks.</p>
1.13	-	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>(a) Year of Professionalism</p> <p>The CIC had designated 2025 as the Year of Professionalism and proposed measures in five areas: clients, consultants, contractors, sub-contractors, and workers and frontline personnel. Details would be reported at the next meeting.</p> <p>(b) One-off Industry Support Measures</p> <p>The CIC had allocated about HK\$250 million to provide support measures to the industry. The safety-related items are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Truss-out Bamboo Scaffoldings Metal Bracket Exchange Programme • Lunchtime Safety Briefing in construction sites

Remarks: The mentioned papers discussed at the Committee on Construction Safety and the full meeting minutes could be made available to Council Members from the CIC Secretariat upon request.