"On The Mark 2001"

The 4th Annual Road Safety Markings Association Conference Thursday 15th November 2001 Handover International Hotel, Bradford

This conference updated all those involved in specifying and installing road markings; identifying and explaining the latest changes, from the advances in specifying for performance dictated by the new European Standards through to statutory changes in markings required by UK Law and the very latest road marking research.

The conference looked at the evolution of performance specifications, from first principles for those still trying to find their way, to the latest changes in StanSpec, the enhanced safety now being put in place by specifiers experienced in Performance Specifications.

A DLTR expert presented on the changes to the Traffic Signs Regulations & General Directions and Chapter 5 of the Traffic Signs Manual, discussing the changes that road marking practitioners should expect.

The latest RSMA Ecodyn Survey results were reported following the publicity generated from the 1999 Survey, giving a snap shot report on the state of the UK markings.

Should you require further information or copies of the presentations from the conference, please send your request via our contact page.

The programme for 2001 Conference follows.

PROGRAMME

Introduction and Welcome

Steve Scott, Chairman of RSMA

Keynote Address

Stanspec 2002 - The Evolution of Performance Specifications

David Frankland, Hyder Consulting

David, outlines the changes to what is fast becoming the industry standard for performance specifications, now used by 100 local authorities. David also reviews the findings of the Road Marking Forum survey of Road Marking Specifiers, which informed many of the changes included in this 2^{nd} edition of StanSpec. A session that will help benchmark where an authority is implementing the new standards and guide their future specifications.

Monitoring for Performance - County Durham's Approach

Roger Culpin, Durham County Council

Roger presents the approach and experience of the Council in establishing a monitoring regime to measure the outputs from their performance specification. This presentation will be an invaluable tool for authorities looking to monitor – identifying the benefits and the pitfalls, whilst letting contractors obtain an overview of a clients approach.

All Change - A Guide to the new Chapter 5 and TSRGD

Brian Lyus, DLTR

Brian the man responsible for the changes, outlines and explains the new Chapter 5 and TSRGD that will have a major impact on specifications and our roads in 2002. This session will provide the first opportunity for the majority to see what changes are planned for these revised documents due in January 2002.

What's your view? - Perspective from client, contractor and manufacturer

A brief overview from a client, a contractor and a material manufacturer on the issues that they think matter, providing the basis for our next session.

Discussion Groups

The practical part of the day providing opportunity for discussion on the points raised throughout the day and any practical problems experienced by delegates. An experienced practitioner drawn from wither client or industry will lead each discussion group.

Review & Conclusions

A brief report of the findings of the discussion groups and an opportunity discuss any additional points or questions they may generate.