

West Midlands HAUC Materials and Technology Group

Meeting Minutes

12th April 2012. Arrive at 9.30, County Hall, Worcester.

Present:

Bob Lloyd	Worcestershire CC
Phil Baker	Nu-Phalt
Andy Ward	Enterprise
Chris Houghton	Morgan Sindall
Tom Richmond	National Grid Gas
Hannah Bettison	Tarmac
Phil Cartmail	Staffs County Council
John Crowther	Enterprise
Joel Studley	Tarmac
Stephen Waldron	SRS Aggregates

Agenda Item		Action
1.0	<p><u>Apologies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jane Harris Instarmac• Martin Shannon Carillion• Gez Ramano Warwickshire CC• Lee O'Connor Express Asphalt• Richard Cutler National Grid Gas <p>BL asked who all the group members were, details required for WMHAUC website and email circulation list - details given. AW commented on the absentees and asked if a three strikes and out system should be employed</p>	All
2.0	<p>Review of Agenda</p> <p>Draft Agenda was agreed with a few minor amendments.</p>	

<p>3.0</p>	<p><u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u></p>	
<p>3.1</p>	<p><u>HAUC Web site.</u> HAUC WM Website was discussed in meeting. It was agreed that the website was in need of updating. BL has agreed to join the Website Working Group. RC has produced a contacts list for the Materials Group to be put on the website. Any additions or amendments to be sent to Richard. BL is arranging to get a contacts list, minutes and a blog put on the website. Discussion - BL has spoken with Martin Stafford who has contacted Riteash (webmaster) to discuss issues with the website. It was agreed to get Riteash to attend next HAUC meeting.</p>	<p>BL & RC</p>
<p>3.2</p>	<p><u>SMR/ Dudley MBC</u> Trial to start 1st May 2012. Tom Richmond explained that work will be shortly completed on private properties and when demonstration dates are known, members will be invited. Discussion - BL - Integra & Severn Trent Water, looking for suitable sites for future work for the Instarmac trial. Existing sites being monitored. Update next meeting see item 4.6 HB said that she queried the on site mixing due to all of the variants.</p>	<p>RC</p>
<p>3.3</p>	<p><u>ESPOT indicator</u> Update next Meeting</p>	<p>BL</p>
<p>3.4</p>	<p><u>Instarmac.</u> JH by email - Instarmac Cold lay Asphalt project still ongoing, no final conclusions as yet</p>	<p>JH</p>
<p>3.5</p>	<p><u>Footway Boards</u> It was recognised that wheelchair access and mobility on current footway boards are a real issue. as a result, it was agreed that it would be a good idea to try and improve the current industry specification and maybe involve disabled groups for their input. No update yet, Oxford Plastics have not replied.</p>	<p>JC</p>

<p>3.7</p>	<p><u>Water Research Council Street Ironwork Project</u> JH by email - Water Research Council project is now complete with a final report about to be published, a proposed amendment to the Water industry Specification CESW17 has been recommended. From a bedding mortar point of view it is proposed that all street ironwork apparatus should be bedded on a mortar that achieves 30N/mm² compressive strength and 5N/mm² tensile strength within 3 hours of mixing. it should also have a minimum working time of 15 minutes.</p>	
<p>4.0</p>	<p>New Business</p>	
<p>4.1</p>	<p><u>West Midlands HAUC Roadshow</u> The 2012 show was discussed. PB said that we still needed more sponsors and exhibitors. Flyers for the show can be found on the WMHAUC website as can application forms for exhibitors etc.</p>	
<p>4.2</p>	<p><u>Instaband ECO Worcestershire Trial Feedback.</u> JH by email - Instarmac are still awaiting the BBA/HAPAS Approval, everything has gone well and we are in the final stages. BBA/HAPAS takes time! We have also just been re-audited by BBA/HAPAS for the PCSM and ironwork installation Certificates and this went very well and will be renewed.</p>	
<p>4.3</p>	<p><u>Cement Bound Material Category 3 Trial</u> Sites have been visited, no problems to report. TR asked when trial could be considered successful - JC stated that the Materials Group could not endorse the material, and the trial period has a two year guarantee period. PC said that previous material trials were for at least 9 months before accepting the material as being good. JC requested a copy of the presentation. AW stated that at least 12 months should be the minimum trial period as the harvesting and processing of utility spoil is affected seasonally. AW took issue with the 100% re-use of utility spoil. BL said he was happy for the material to be continued to be used in the Worcestershire area. PC spoke with Brian Kent of Tarmac - is it the same material? HB to speak with Brian and report back.</p>	<p>TR</p> <p>HB</p>
<p>4.6</p>	<p>Permasoil Trial - Worcestersire and Severn Trent Water. JH by email - Ultracrete A9 Permasoil trial product installation is almost complete, we have just one more in depth site day to do, which is scheduled for 24th April 2012. Have any inspections been done on the sites we have already completed? If not perhaps we can start to arrange this next stage.</p>	

<p>4.7</p>	<p>Structured Coring Programme. Good Practice Guide - document - JC - widely accepted except for Cumbria. JC asked what is the ratification? - just an advice note - air void tests not giving good results. JC to write to Alan Rainford. PC to take to SROH working group. Report back next meeting.</p>	<p>JC & PC</p>
<p>5.0</p>	<p>STW and the use of recycled material across the region. JC reported that Enterprise plc will be using one supplier for Type 1 recycled on their Severn Trent Water contract. A "hub" will be created. The drivers of the collection vehicles will be trained in what the material should be, visual suitability. There will be backup audits, a database created and a regular testing regime from random sampling as well as specified testing.</p>	
<p>6.0</p>	<p>Streetworks Training. JC stated that the current method of renewing your NRSWA ticket is better than the Grandfather rights. Especially as the SROH specification has changed twice since the introduction of the NRSWA ticket requirement and very little training has been done. JC stated that the Red Tape Challenge -why do we need tickets? - will result in a reduction in quality. If you have any concerns take the opportunity to respond to the document.</p>	
<p>7.0</p>	<p>Road materials containing Tar. Document from AW sent to BL to put on website.</p> <p>Environmental Agency - anything above 100 parts per million is hazardous waste and issues guidelines for its treatment. AW concerned about the impact on business.</p> <p>Excavated material can be stocked for re-use so long as used in same situation as excavated from.</p> <p>Discussion regarding series 900 products, tar bound fly ash materials. PC stated that tests will be done on cores taken.</p> <p>AW stated that with regard to permitting from April 2012 exemption under paragraph 13, 19 and 24 have gone with either standard or bespoke permits taking their place. The Environmental Agency will then be checking on each depot. Document trails EWC codes - will show what goes in to each depot and how it is processed.</p>	<p>BL</p>

<p>8.0</p>	<p>Highways Ironwork. PC - The HAUC Advice Note on Coring recommends that no core is taken within 100mm of surface apparatus ironwork for cores but the SROH S10.2.3.4 allows for cores adjacent to ironwork to be used for layer thickness but not for void testing. Due to the construction design of the ironwork and the bedding material used then the thin layer of reinstatement should be classed as part of the apparatus. PC will ask the SROH group for guidance. PC said that Pack-O-Patch can be used, it is not stated but implied.</p>	<p>PC</p>
<p>9.0</p>	<p>UK Roads maintenance and Repair Show. PB said that the show was a disaster -very poor attendance - yet 9 or 10 new exhibitors gained for the WMHAUC show in September.</p>	
<p>AOB</p>	<p>PB - HAUC and materials group to have joint stands. We need to have products etc. for the stand - any ideas?</p> <p>Date of next WMHAUC Materials Group Meeting.</p> <p>Next meeting 4th July 2012. Venue at Warwickshire County Council, Budbrooke Offices, Warwick to be confirmed by Gez Romano.</p>	<p>GR</p>