Implementation of ‘Reclaiming health and safety for all’ recommendations - One year on

Thank you again for your report ‘Reclaiming health and safety for all: an independent review of health and safety legislation’, which was published last November. The Government response supported the recommendations of the report and indicated its commitment to take action to implement them including setting more challenging timescales for delivery in some of the key areas.

As you know, the Health and Safety Executive, together with relevant Government departments, are working to deliver the recommendations and good progress is already being made.

I would, however, welcome your independent assessment of how well the recommendations in your report have been implemented so far and how those still to be delivered are progressing. The formal terms of reference would be:

‘To report to the Minister for Employment, by the end of January 2013, on how well the recommendations in ‘Reclaiming health and safety for all: an independent review of health and safety legislation’ have been implemented so far and how those still to be delivered are progressing, one year on from the publication of the original report.

The review will not revisit the questions originally considered by Professor Löfstedt or make recommendations for new areas of work’. 
I am also aware that you have been speaking at a wide range of stakeholder events. It would be helpful if your assessment could reflect on the views that you have gathered during the course of this work.

I look forward to receiving your confirmation that hearing from you in January.

With best wishes

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