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CECA North West: COVID-19

COVID-19: WHAT IS CECA DOING FOR OUR NW MEMBERS?

Welcome to this round up of news from CECA North West. For the time being, it will replace the usual weekly digest, but details of tender opportunities and other industry news will be circulated in due course.

I would like to stress that CECA NW is here to support our members during this difficult time. What follows is a digest of current and planned activity.

But, if you have any queries, an issue you want to raise, or we can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. Guy Lawson, Director, CECA NW, email: guy.lawson@ceca.co.uk
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Latest briefing, 20 May 2020

CECA's latest briefing for members, which includes, in addition to the items listed further on:

- Coronavirus Large Business Interruption Loan Scheme
- Coronavirus Statutory Sick Pay Rebate Scheme
- Talent Retention - this relates to the Contractor Matching service we are piloting in the NW
- Securing the Recovery
- Contractual Data Survey
- CECA Human Resources & Covid-19 Webinar, 27 May 2020

https://mcusercontent.com/4f1f27cb2ee70c845263a972f/files/c660a9ec-7997-43d2-9da8-14894e6192ab/CECA_Weekly_Update_13_20_May_2020.pdf

Updated Site Operating Procedures (SOP4)

<https://www.ceca.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/CLC-Site-Operating-Procedures-V4-18-May-2020.pdf>

Changes include removal of the requirement for face-to-face contact to be kept to 15 minutes or less. The section on PPE now also links to the latest Government guidance on face coverings.

Other changes include:

- References to one-way systems and the reconfiguration of seating and tables and an update on portable toilets
- The requirement to share risk assessments with the workforce

- Clarification on when to travel to work, as set out in the Government's COVID-19 Recovery Strategy
- Updated links and wording on social distancing

SOP Support Materials

CC01: Compliance checklist

https://www.citb.co.uk/Documents/coronavirus/cc01_site_operating_procedures_compliance_checklist.pdf

CC02: Health Safety Environment risk assessment template

https://www.citb.co.uk/Documents/coronavirus/cc02_health_safety_environment_risk_assessment_template.pdf

CC03: Toolbox talk

https://www.citb.co.uk/Documents/coronavirus/cc03_toolbox_talk_construction_workers.pdf

CC04: SOP checklist

https://www.citb.co.uk/Documents/coronavirus/cc04_weekly_site_operating_procedures_checklist.pdf

HSE: Regulating occupational health and safety during the coronavirus outbreak

<https://www.hse.gov.uk/news/hse-regulatory-activity-during-coronavirus.htm>

Commercial & legal webinars

We are running a commercial & legal seminar with Geraldine Fleming of Driver Trett, focusing on Claims, on **10 June 2020**, and a longer session on NEC spread between **24-25 June 2020**. Further details shortly, but please let me know if there are any topics you would like us to cover.

Contractor matching for CECA NW members

This new service to help balance workforce/workload capacity between CECA NW members is now live. We are contacting all members to find if they are short of capacity or have spare capacity, and arranging opportunities, where feasible, for CECA NW members to work together.

Chris Jackson is the contact for client organisations and directors of major projects in the North West chrisjackson@ceca.co.uk

Jacqueline Vail is the contact for CECA NW members: jacquelinevail@ceca.co.uk

If you have any queries, or would like to know more, please contact Guy Lawson, guy.lawson@cecanw.co.uk tel: 07703 585027

NW Careers: jobs, vacancies and apprenticeships & work experience

The CECA NW section of the website now has a Vacancy Board, plus sections for people seeking apprenticeships & work experience and jobs: <https://www.ceca.co.uk/nw-careers/>

The process is simple - for contractors with vacancies, complete the form and return to Jacqueline Vail, and I will circulate it in the newsletter and on social media. For people seeking apprenticeships, work experience and jobs, again, they should complete the form and return to Jacqueline or me and I will circulate the details without their personal information (to comply with GDPR). You may wish to make your subcontractors, plant operators etc aware of the service too.

Vacancies

We currently have four vacancies with CPUK Civils & Remediation: Quantity Surveyor, Assistant Quantity Surveyor, Contracts Manager and Environmental Engineer - please contact Jacqueline Vail for details: jacquelinevail@ceca.co.uk

Seeking work

We have an experienced NW-based civils Project Manager seeking a new role; a candidate seeking a role in Project Direction or Design; and a PhD in Civil Engineering from University of Manchester looking for work. Please contact Guy Lawson for details: guy.lawson@cecanw.co.uk

Seeking apprenticeships

We have a number of individuals seeking apprenticeships:

- A Salford-based graduate seeking an apprenticeship leading up to a QS role, within a 45 minute radius
- A Wigan-based A level students seeking a civil engineering apprenticeship

Please contact Jacqueline Vail for details: jacquelinevail@ceca.co.uk

Bidding & contractual working group - looking for CECA NW members

As part of CECA's post COVID recovery plan, we are developing a piece of guidance on bidding & contractualising post-COVID-19. The guidance will seek to explain how companies should bid and contractualise COVID-19 issues. We are keen for members to join this short working group to explore the challenges which need to be addressed. If you would like to be involved, please email marieclaudhemming@CECA.co.uk

R&D Tax Relief service - £600k secured for NW civils contractor

Place North West and Recoup Capital have teamed up to offer the property community a vital financial aid scheme. In the UK, companies are able to claim tax relief for research and development activities - to date that includes £600k for a NW based civils contractor. This includes many of the activities carried out as part of property development, advice and construction. Qualifying points include:

- Groundwork and sub-structural issues
- Environmental issues
- Parking and transport issues

For further details, please contact: Joe Averill, Chief Revenue Officer, Recoup Capital Limited

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