Remit

Health Economics Group (HEG)
Specialist group to Health and Wellbeing Policy Group (HWPG)

1  ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE

1.1 The Health Economics Group (HEG), is a cross-industry group to promote collaboration on health and wellbeing issues aligned to the railway health and wellbeing roadmap. The group reports into the HWPG and supports the management of health risk areas described in the industry’s safety strategy ‘Leading Health and Safety on Britain’s Railway’ (LHBSR).

1.2 HEG is a specialist group reporting to the Health and Wellbeing Policy Group (HWPG) aligned to the’ Leading Health and Safety on Britain’s Railway strategy’ supporting:

Section 1  Workforce Health and Wellbeing

2  FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

2.1 HEG is a specialist group advising RSSB and HWPG on their work programme regarding health and wellbeing. It does this by supporting H&W within the scope of its risk area by:

a) Reviewing industry health and wellbeing performance and emerging health and wellbeing issues.

b) Supporting RSSB in identifying and implementing cross-industry health and wellbeing initiatives.

c) Sharing of learning and good practice.

d) Advising RSSB on industry health and wellbeing priorities.

e) Supporting RSSB’S engagement and communication with other industry groups or parties with an interest in health and wellbeing.

f) Advising RSSB on the quality of work done regarding its published programme.

2.2 HEG does not discharge any health and safety management responsibilities. It has an advisory role to RSSB and is a platform for cross-industry collaboration and exchange of information. Responsibility for the management of company health and safety obligations remains with duty holders.

2.3 HEG can identify and sponsor improvement opportunities including research and RSSB-facilitated products and services.

3  MEETINGS

3.1 Meetings shall be held at least four times per annum.

3.2 The Group shall make targeted recommendations within the scope of its remit by consensus of those present (consensus being defined as lack of sustained objection).

3.3 RSSB Director of System Safety, in consultation with HWPG chair, will appoint the chair of its specialist groups.
4 EVALUATION AND REVIEW
4.1 HEG will support HWPG in undertaking an annual self-assessment of performance against HEG’s own remit and maturity.

5. MEMBERSHIP
5.1 Membership comprises of a cross section of members with expertise relevant to the group’s scope of interest, plus invited guests and observers, as required, to enhance the effectiveness of the group.

Other supporting arrangements and expectations around membership are set out in the RSSB System Safety and Health Memorandum of Collaboration document and the HWPG Tactical Arrangements document.

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