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**HEALTH AND SAFETY EXECUTIVE  
AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
ARBORICULTURE AND FORESTRY ADVISORY GROUP**

**FORESTRY INDUSTRY SUMMIT**

**1. Introduction**

**1.1** The aim of the proposed summit is to promote effective health and safety management systems and cultures in the forestry sector and in particular, visible leadership and strategic direction from senior management so that all managers and employees know that health and safety is taken seriously.

**1.2** In line with HSE's current strategy it will aim to promote:

- Sharing good ideas – ensuring widespread application of benefits through effective knowledge management.
- Adopting best practice - supporting the transition of company performance from poor to good and from good to excellent.
- Partnership working - Working with and through others to improve the collective impact.
- Employee involvement - Maximising available skills and energies of all those employed in the industry.

**1.2** Senior managers from all the major forestry/ timber companies as well as the heads of appropriate trade organisations and relevant employee representatives will be invited to the forum.

**1.3** The main outcome resulting from the forum will be an agreed strategic direction statement for the forestry industry with commitment from the highest managerial levels to work together to reduce the incidents of accidents and ill health in our industry.

**2. Issues**

**2.1** As part of the planning process for the forum, Members are asked to consider –

- i. Which companies/organisations/individuals should be invited to the forum?
- ii. Which key issues should be covered at the forum?
- iii. Potential key speakers/ presentations for the forum?