

Category 4 - Best Communication

The Lea and Ouse Valleys Safety Association is entering its website in the best communication category.

Website address: <http://www.lovsa.org.uk>

The target population for the website was initially the membership, to provide information about the Association and useful resources for members. The website also has a larger target population who are local businesses and other groups who are free to use the resources and might be interested in joining LOVSA and attending our meetings. To this end there is a recruitment page explaining what LOVSA is attempting to achieve.

The resources available on the site include a description of the Association with links to its partners (RoSPA, SGUK).

There is a News page listing snippets of current news gleaned from HSE, RoSPA and other press releases, and from regular e-mailed current awareness alerts. Non-current news items are held in a News Archive for approximately 2 years so members can go back and find items no longer listed in the recent new page.

The site also has a search facility which enables users to find information on the site.

The meeting programme is also listed together with a map link of the meeting location. With a rolling programme of meetings members can always find the most up-to-date information on the website.

The Chairman occasionally raises topical items of information at meetings which are put on the website so members can follow up internet links more easily.

The site also gives details of the Management Committee and contact details of Association officers.

The most recent issue of the Newsletter is also available on the website.

A page describes Safety Groups UK and its aims, and links to various parts of the SGUK website. The most useful resource is likely to be the very extensive pages of links to local and international Health and Safety related websites, links to Safety Legislation and General Environmental and Environmental Legislation.