

**Date:** Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2020

**Attendees:** James Cadman (Action Sustainability), Imogen Player (Action Sustainability), Chris Matthew (Flannery Plant Hire, Sam Peet (Speedy Hire), Gemma Tovey (Lovell Homes), Mark Buckton (NOCN), Paul Taylor (NOCN), Brad Ireland (MHM), Mat Llewellyn (MHM), Chris Carter-Rowland (NOCN), Chris Gill (Lynch), Thomas Barrett (Kilnbridge), Eamonn Maloney (Pro Rail Services), Jackie Cuthbert (Sunbelt Rentals), Geraint Matthews (Siemens), Mark Anderson (GAP), Gary Barnes (Costain), Brody Isaac (Lendlease), Gary Davidge (Hercules), Joe Griffiths (Garic), Maria Jarosz (Network Rail), Alistair Donaghey (Willmott Dixon), David Gingell (Ardent Hire), David McGrath (John Sisk and Sons), Izzy Edwards (Environment Agency), Kulvinder Sandhu (Highways England), Peter Hancox (M O'Brien), Christian Spence (Sunbelt Rentals)

**Summary of Actions and Notes from the Plant Category Group Meeting**

Plant Category Group – Introductions and outstanding actions		
No	Action/Notes	Owner
1	<b>Welcome and Intros</b>	
2	<p><b>Plant Commitment Charter</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">The Charter</a> and all relevant information – the Minimum Standards and news items - are available <a href="#">here</a>.</li> <li>• Organisations who have not signed up and wish to should contact James. We are happy to explain, the purpose and its benefits.</li> <li>• There will be a formal <b>online launch event for the Plant Commitment Charter on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021</b>, planned for 10.00-12.00.</li> <li>• The working title is <i>“Working towards cleaner air: how the Plant community is actively tackling air quality and climate change impacts”</i></li> <li>• The proposed format was a combination of plenary presentations with panel discussion, including a few breakout rooms on more detailed / specialist topics, e.g. HVO, telematics, non-fossil fuel alternatives. We will use polling software like mentimeter.</li> <li>• We discussed the target audience as being the value chain for plant: client, contractor, plant hire, and subcontractors. The key messages are that i) plant has a clear role to play in reducing AQ and GHG impacts; ii) all actors in the value chain have their part to play in this; iii) it requires communication and true collaboration up and down the value chain; iv) operational behaviours are as important as technology; v) innovation has a key role (in light of red diesel tax derogation being removed in 2022, and no new petrol and diesel cars from 2030)</li> <li>• Including case studies in the event will be a good way of highlighting the activity already occurring on AQ and GHG emissions.</li> <li>• The School will continue to work up a plan for the aim of the launch, the topics for the presentations and the breakout sessions, the format, comms, and then engage Partners for their input and participation</li> </ul>	<p>Organisations who want to sign up to the plant charter</p> <p>School events and marketing team</p> <p>James &amp; Imogen</p>

3	<p><b>Engagement with OEMs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The group has arranged for several interviews with OEMs in December to gather information in order to update the requirements in the <a href="#">Minimum Standards</a>.</li> <li>The interviews consist of 30-minute discussions with representatives from a range of OEM suppliers covering the spectrum of plant from small handheld tools up to large excavators and ADTs.</li> <li>We ask them their views on the outlook for their products within the next 12 – 24 months with respect to how engines will reduce AQ and GHG emissions, how soon can we move to renewable and innovative technologies, providing user guidance for operators and site managers, all in the context providing the UK market with sufficient supply to meet our ambitions</li> <li>Other specific issues were mentioned that will be raised in the interviews, including HVO warranties, EoL take-back schemes and reuse, embodied carbon of manufacture, and ECV labelling for engine identification</li> </ul>	Group
4	<p><b>Low Emissions Zone / Clean Air Zone map resource</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The School has created two ‘Directories’ for the Plant Group: one looking at sustainability and eco-efficiency training courses for plant operators and managers; and one that lists the existence and status of clean air zones and low emissions zones in the UK.</li> <li>The Clean Air Zone map has been produced and is in a draft version, available for viewing <a href="#">here</a>.</li> <li>Please provide any further feedback beyond the comment made in the meeting to have a drop down to choose between ‘road’ and ‘non-road’ limits.</li> <li>Once finalised, members of the group are encouraged to use the maps and spread the word on their existence.</li> </ul>	Imogen & James
4	<p><b>Case studies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We would like to have more Partner case studies and examples of plant that has reduced AQ and GHG emissions on the School’s <a href="#">Plant Group page</a></li> <li>The Group to pass over recommendations for case studies from within their organisations, ideally as videos, but any reasonable format accepted.</li> <li>Suggestions for group collaborative case studies were raised. This would be welcomed by the School.</li> </ul>	Group
6	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None</li> </ul>	
7	<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021, 10am, online</li> </ul>	