

## Wales Leadership Group

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

### **Welcome & Introductions:**

Sarah Gillard from Wales & West Utilities was introduced to the group as a new Partner of the School.

### **Modern Slavery:**

Helen Carter, subject matter lead of [Modern Slavery](#) within the School was introduced to the group. Helen showed the group the Modern Slavery resources that are available within the school and recommended the following resources as a starting point:

- [Modern Slavery – Sustainability Short](#)
- [Setting up your Site to Combat Modern Slavery](#)

The group was also shown the Modern Slavery learning pathways available within the school:

- [Modern Slavery: An Introduction](#)
- [Modern Slavery: Due Diligence](#)
- [Modern Slavery: Site Materials](#)

Helen informed the group that the Due Diligence pathway is useful for Procurement teams and the site materials learning pathway is suitable for employees on sites.

The group was also shown the [People Matter Charter](#) along with the People Matter Charter Learning pathway. The 'People Matter Charter' helps organisations up and down the supply chain address people challenges together, in one workforce strategy. The Charter has eight commitments that can apply to any organisation, of any size. Become a signatory [here](#).

### **ISO 20400:**

Carole – Ann from Action Sustainability's Community Interest Company was introduced to the group and presented on [ISO 20400.org](#). ISO20400.org is a not-for-profit, free to access platform which aims to develop a global community of practice around ISO 20400 and sustainable procurement. Currently there are 185 countries out of 195 countries accessing ISO20400.org.

The top ten countries that are using the site are:

1. United Kingdom
2. United States
3. Australia
4. France
5. China
6. Germany
7. Netherlands
8. Brazil
9. India
10. Canada

ISO 20400.org also has a self-assessment tool which allows you to benchmark your knowledge against the standard. The site is also looking to develop a video next year to celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ISO 20400.

**Action:** Partners to contact Carole-Ann if they would like further information about ISO 2400.org

#### **Meeting the Social Housing Retrofit:**

Energy use from the UK's 29 million homes accounts for 14% of the country's greenhouse gas emissions. Retrofit is fundamental to achieving net zero targets. The Optimised Retrofit project will see more than 1,370 homes across Wales made more energy efficient. Wyn Prichard (Chair) discussed green skills and the housing sector. Wyn mentioned that apprenticeships need to include green skills to provide education on sustainability to help contribute to net zero targets.

It was discussed that the school could deliver an event on the Optimised Retrofit project to highlight this.

#### **Learning Pathways:**

Learning Pathways allow you to allocate specific resources to a specific audience and track their progress through the awarding of badges and downloadable reports. Partners of the School are able to create pathways for your internal colleagues and you can also assign them to your priority suppliers.

There are three types of learning pathways available within the school:

- **Priority Supplier Pathways** - *These pathways are allocated to a Partners' priority suppliers and can be completed by anyone associated with that suppliers' account.*
- **Individual Pathways** - *Administrators can set up an individual pathway which is then allocated to any individuals in their company account.*
- **Self – Enrol Pathways**- *These pathways are added pathway catalogue available to all members of the school where users can pick which pathways they wish to enrol in at any time.*

Some of the group voiced experiencing issues with getting individuals to complete e-learning modules it was advised that learning pathways would be a good way to combat this issue.

For information about Learning Pathways please [click here](#).

#### **Modern Slavery Lunch 'n' Learn:**

Following on from the presentation at the beginning of the session the group discussed delivering a Modern Slavery event. The group was advised that this session should be Lunch 'n' Learn session as they are the school's shortest virtual sessions but are very effective. It was suggested that the session would be an Introduction to Modern Slavery delivered by Helen Carter (SCSS) and could include a short presentation from Sue Hurrell (Welsh Government)

**Action:** Rosie to contact Helen regarding the session and get a date booked in the diary

#### **AOB:**

- The next meeting is taking place on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November 11:00am – 1:00pm
- David Emery to contact Amanda Wright from BAM regarding Digital in FM
- Wyn Prichard to contact Sarah Gillard from Wales & West Utilities to discuss Heat pumps