



Corporate patronage

Ensuring that workers of world are safer, healthier and thrive.

Who we are: Our heritage



We are a UK-based, global charity.

We believe no-one should be injured or made ill through their work

Since our foundation in 1957, we have campaigned tirelessly to protect workers from accidents, hazards and unsafe conditions, and played a decisive role in the political process that has led to adoption of landmark safety legislation in the UK.

Scale of the problem



Workplace health and safety remains a major issue both nationally and internationally



In the UK (2024/25):

- **1.9 million** workers suffered a work-related illness
- **623,000** people were injured at work
- **124** work-related fatalities
- **40.1 million** working days lost
- Costing the UK economy **~£22.9 billion**

Globally:

- Nearly **3 million** people die each year because of a workplace injury/illness
- **~395 million** people suffer a non-fatal workplace injury

Exacerbating the problem



Work is increasingly delivered through complex global supply chains, subcontracting and outsourced models.

As a result, many businesses face growing exposure to safety, operational, legal and reputational risks in areas where visibility is limited, oversight is fragmented, and accountability is increasingly unclear.



Alongside traditional workplace hazards, new and growing risks are affecting workers' health and wellbeing

Long working hours, psychosocial pressures and ergonomic strain are increasingly common. Over 70% of the global workforce is now exposed to climate-related hazards such as air pollution, UV radiation, vector-borne diseases and extreme weather.

What we do

We drive progress through



Education and qualifications



Training



Consultancy



Auditing



Advocacy



Research



Publications



Specialist network forums

Working together



Worker wellbeing directly impacts corporate reputation, operational productivity and resilience.

However, there is a widening gap between what is needed to protect workers and what is happening in practice. This is most visible in higher-risk sectors, smaller organisations and global supply chains, where access to data, expertise and training is limited.

Closing this gap requires sustained effort to strengthen evidence, improve access to insight, and build the capabilities needed to act at scale.

We need your help to ensure that every worker goes home at the end of the day as healthy as they were when they went to work.



Become a Steward patron



Steward patron: £15,000 annual contribution

Through our partnership, you will help strengthen occupational health, safety, and wellbeing outcomes for workers now and in the future:

- Support the training of 20 veterans and service leavers to become OHS practitioners through our **From Service to Safety** initiative
- Enable more SMEs to access our **Workplace Wellbeing programme**, improving employee wellbeing and organisational outcomes - Nominate qualifying beneficiary organisations (optional)
- Help co-fund critical **research projects** that improve understanding of occupational health, safety, and wellbeing
- Support the development of the next generation of OHS professionals through optional **job shadowing, internship, and employment opportunities** for newly qualified practitioners
- Strengthen knowledge of occupational risks and hazards through **national educational campaigns**, providing practical guidance on risk identification, assessment, legislation, and intervention
- Contribute to research findings and insights through **voluntary, opt-in participation in research activities**
- Provide flexible funding that enables us to **scale and sustain our work** where the need and opportunity for impact is greatest

Become a Steward patron



You will be part of an ongoing engagement programme designed to provide structured insight, collaboration and visibility of impact.

Collaboration

- Co-brand national educational campaigns and coordinate our roll-out (optional)
- Demonstrate your involvement in research through co-branded open-access reports and webinars (optional)

Insight and influence

- Engage with research findings ahead of public release
- Access insights, research and advocacy updates through Expert Committee briefings and patron meetings
- Track the impact of your contribution through regular reporting and an annual impact summary

Organisational engagement

- Engage your staff through a Lunch and Learn session exploring your impact and involvement
- Receive tailored content to support your ESG, CSR and annual reporting
- Use ready-made press release and social media templates to communicate your involvement

Recognition and network

- Feature your company on our Corporate Patronage webpage
- Use your digital patron badge and branding assets to demonstrate your support for safer, healthier workplaces
- Celebrate our partnership with two guest invitations to our ISA Awards



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Additional information

Our social impact projects

From Service to Safety



The UK is currently experiencing a shortage of qualified OHS professionals. This problem is expected to get worse over the next five years as a large proportion of professionals are nearing retirement, and too few trainees are entering the market. As a training provider, the British Safety Council is uniquely positioned to help fill this gap.

From Safety to Service is a new initiative that we launched in 2026 in partnership with NEBOSH. We are offering service leavers and veterans who are already, or about to be made, unemployed the opportunity to train for a NEBOSH National General Certificate in Occupational Health and Safety. This is a widely recognised UK qualification for managers, supervisors, and safety professionals, focusing on risk management and safety culture. Training will be delivered by our high-quality trainers and will include wider career and pastoral support. NEBOSH is funding the candidates' examinations fees.

The initiative has three primary objectives:

- Utilise the highly transferable skills developed through military service (risk awareness, hazard identification, and mitigation) to help meet critical workforce needs within the OHS sector.
- Attract individuals from more diverse age groups and backgrounds to the profession, addressing challenges associated with an ageing, homogenous workforce
- Provide veterans and service leavers with a clear and sustainable pathway into civilian employment, supporting long-term career development and successful transition.

Our social impact projects

Workplace Wellbeing programme



Supporting the wellbeing of workers should be a priority for every organisation. Unfortunately, many micro and small businesses lack the resources, expertise and funding required to implement effective workplace wellbeing strategies. Given that micro and small businesses accounted for 47% of total UK employment at the start of 2025 (DBT, 2026), strengthening their capacity is critical for improving workplace wellbeing at scale.

Our Workplace Wellbeing programme is designed specifically to provide a clear, practical and evidence-based approach to improving employee wellbeing.

Organisations are guided through structured self-assessments that identify key health, safety and wellbeing needs within their workforce and generates tailored, actionable recommendations. Through accessible video guidance and online resources, organisations are empowered to use these insights and recommendations to develop a focused wellbeing plan and strategy. Alongside this, we provide light-touch expert support. We assistance organisations to interpret their assessment data, engage their employees, refine their wellbeing approaches, and embed wellbeing into everyday organisational practice through regular check-ins and ongoing advice.

This programme leads to improved employee wellbeing, reduced workplace risk, and more resilient, productive organisations.

Our social impact projects

Open-access research



As work evolves, so do occupational risks, making continuous research and evidence-building essential. Robust evidence helps identify emerging risks, assess the effectiveness of interventions, understand patterns of behaviour, causes of behaviour change and competency needs.

Thorough research and evidence should underpin all decisions across policy, regulation, and practice. British Safety Council is uniquely positioned to undertake this work, with in-house expertise, strong partnerships across corporate and public sectors, and the networks required to effectively disseminate findings and support evidence-based advocacy.

Our research findings are made publicly available to maximise impact, supporting the wider Occupational Health and Safety community and related sectors to improve standards, inform practice, and drive positive change.

Our social impact projects

Educational campaigns



Millions of workers across the United Kingdom are exposed to hidden hazards in the workplace that can significantly harm their health, safety and wellbeing. These are physical and psychosocial risks that are unknown, overlooked or underestimated. They pose significant long-term risks and can result in illness, absence and death.

British Safety Council will be launching a public campaign to raise awareness of hidden occupational hazards such as poor indoor air quality, mould, asbestos, RAAC and more. While varied in nature, these risks share a common characteristic: they are preventable.

Our educational campaigns will improve awareness and early recognition of these hazards, equip workers with the knowledge and confidence to raise concerns, and encourage more proactive, prevention-led risk management. By helping workers, employers, and policymakers recognise these risks and take action, the campaign helps prevent harm and improve health at work

It will be delivered through a coordinated, multi-channel campaign designed to maximise reach, engagement, and impact. The campaign will combine strong visual storytelling, targeted communications, and policy engagement to ensure hidden workplace hazards are better recognised, understood, and addressed. The campaign will be structured around quarterly themes, each underpinned by credible, data-driven insight.

Our social impact projects

Open access publications



Through our free-to-access Health and Safety Uncut podcast, Pulse newsletter and British Safety Council blogs, we share evidence-based knowledge, specialist guidance and expert insight.

We publish a monthly magazine for our members, which is subsequently shared with all our contacts, with key articles published on our website and shared on social media.

We also distribute monthly best practice guides and posters to support practical implementation across workplaces.

Together, these resources keep organisations informed about emerging risks, best practice, regulatory change, and effective interventions, strengthening awareness, improving organisational practice, and supporting better health, safety, and wellbeing outcomes across diverse working environments.

Our social impact projects

Advocacy



At British Safety Council, we advocate for change by establishing policy positions on key issues related to health, safety, and wellbeing in the workplace and advocating for them with policymakers and industry. We use these positions to inform consultations, share insights, and influence policy discussions, working to ensure that the needs of workers are prioritised in shaping workplace standards and practices. We do this in the media, and directly through newsletters and other engagement.

Through our manifestos and positioning statements, we provide a platform for change by outlining our stance on important issues within the workplace health, safety and wellbeing landscape.

We use our advocacy to call on employers, policymakers, and other stakeholders to adopt improved standards and best practices.

Our public affairs work makes clear our position on crucial matters, such as mental health support, workplace safety, environmental sustainability and employee wellbeing.

Engagement

Patron meetings



On a quarterly basis you will be invited to a joint patron briefing where we share updates on funded programmes, organisational developments, and emerging priorities across workplace health, safety and wellbeing.

In addition, we provide tailored one-to-one updates based on your organisation's interests and level of involvement.

Engagement

Expert Committee briefings



Twice a year, you will be invited to Expert Committee briefings, where our experts present emerging insights on workplace health, safety and wellbeing. These briefings are exclusive to our patrons.

Each session focuses on a key topic, offering early insight into research findings, policy developments, and best practice, alongside updates from our advocacy and thought leadership work.

Following the presentation, there is an opportunity for structured discussion, supporting knowledge sharing, reflection and exchange of perspectives across attendees. These briefings will help your organisation stay ahead of evolving risks, engage with leading experts and connect with peers across our patron community.

Our reach and influence (2025)



3,220

Member organisations



13,730

Individuals trained through our educational programmes



105,722

Annual views of Safety Management magazine



115,879

LinkedIn followers



107

International reach across 107 countries



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