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HSE's Areas of Interest

- DTI – Public safety
 - Safety Zones (Energy Act 2004)
- HSE – Worker safety
 - Risks arising from the design, construction, maintenance, use and decommissioning of turbines.



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Legislation

- Offshore oil and gas health and safety Regulations do not apply
- Health and Safety at Work etc Act does apply
- And associated Regulations, eg
 - MHSWR
 - RIDDOR
 - LOLER
 - CDM



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HSE Working With Industry

- HSE prefers industry to self-regulate and will assist if asked.
- BWEA guidelines for health and safety in the wind energy industry.
- Copy available at www.bwea.com
- Appendix 2 of BWEA Guidance lists applicable legislation.



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BWEA Initiatives

- Health and Safety Events Database
 - Share information.
 - Good ideas as well as failures
- Training Standards
 - Set a level playing field
- Access & Egress
- Work together



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Your Public Image

- Adopt proactive stance
- Work with the pressure groups
- The 4 Rules are:-
 - Have someone in charge
 - Science by itself will not convince the public
 - Take early action and exceed what is expected by a clear margin
 - Admit mistakes. Don't blame others

