

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EDINBURGH ARCHITECTURAL ASSOCIATION SCIO

HELD IN: Zoom Meeting
DATE: 8 June 2021 18:00

1.0 PRESENT

Joanne McClelland (JM) (chair)	Alex Liddell (AL)	Charles Strang (CS)
Ben Rainger (BR)	Kerry Nicol (KN)	James Haynes (JH)
Christina Gaiger (CG)	John Lancaster (JL)	Kieran Gaffney (KG)
Ken Lochrie (KL)	Seva Yurchenko (SY)	

2.0 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Andrew Jess (AJ)	Nicola McLachlan (NM)	Daniel Anderson (DA)
Ruth McLennan (RM)		

3.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes were approved. To be added to website.

4.0 ASSOCIATION

4.1 Presidents Report – JM – Attending the Edinburgh Development Forum and advised on preparations towards COP26 and the work happening in the RIAS Sustainability Working Group. Raised concerns about material shortages. Completed EAA Chapter Report for RIAS Quarterly. ZOOM Meeting scheduled for judging of Student portfolios for the J R McKay Medal on 14 June.

4.2 Treasurer’s Report - KL – Nothing significant to report. Has encountered some difficulty in closing the old bank accounts but is persevering.

5.0 WORKING GROUPS

5.1 SCIO Conversion – can now be closed down and removed from agenda.

5.2 Mentoring/Education – SY/JH – Investigating possibility of hosting open reviews with ESALA. Informal contact with ESALA at the moment to work out logistics. Around 15 attendees at Coffee with an Architect (John Lancaster). Next session taking place on 3 July with Kieran Gaffney. Intention is to continue with this series and make it a more regular event. In talks with ESALA to establish best dates for these. A parallel series of talks aimed at Post-grad students / A N Other student groups is being considered. Discussions to be had on who else to invite to present the talks. **CG** highlighted that it was important to hear from new voices and this should be considered when approaching potential speakers. **BR** asked if School students interested in Architecture could take part in the sessions to give them an insight into the profession. **JL** advised it had not been specifically discussed but it is something he would be interested in advancing. Perhaps with the involvement of ArchiSchools.

5.3 Events – KG - starting to regroup to put future plans in place. Will report back at next meeting. Hoping to use calendar to plot out timeline for events.

5.4 Competitions – AL/JM – New member Eleanor Connor has been given the brief of Past, Present and Future to develop. Aim is to align timings with COP26 and display winning images to at SPaCE.

5.5 Conservation/Heritage – JM wasn’t able to attend the last RIAS Conservation Committee meeting but has circulated minutes. **JM** is keen to contact others studying for PAS 2035 to feedback into the RIAS Conservation Committee strategy. Zoom meeting to be set up with

relevant parties.

- 5.6 Communications – KN/JL** – Keen to undertake a ‘Get to Know our Members’ exercise in the form of a questionnaire. Aware that members aren’t always aware on being an EAA member when they join RIAS. Could RIAS lead on creating a template for a Chapter Welcome Pack? Can we make more of the experiences of our Retired Members who have a wealth of experience. Potential changes to website include changing Competitions page to Working Group page to highlight the activities of the working groups. Q&A to be done with new President – could this be the entry for the next Quarterly? **KN/CG** to look at functionality of calendar on website.
- 5.7 Sustainability – JM** – Circulated De-carbonising Construction paper from the RIAS Sustainability Group. New regulations not expected until 2022. **JM & CG** to have separate discussion about Pre-Demolition Audits.
- 6.0 AWARDS 2021 - JM**
- 6.1** Submissions to launch 16 June and be open until Weds 28 July. **JM** ran through proposed changes in the Awards Categories. 4 proposed new categories – Residential Project, Masterplanning, Sustainability and Future Project. Wood for Good Award to become a non entry category (all eligible projects entered for other categories will be considered) – pending confirmation of sponsorship. Council discussed the changes and decided not to proceed with Future Projects and Sustainability. Sustainability to be worked into the judging criteria.
- 6.2** Student Awards Judging to take Monday 14 June. Doodlepoll circulated to help with shortlisting.
- 7.0 COP26 - JM**
- 7.1** **JM** circulated an email outlining the proposed projects for COP26. **BR & JM** to discuss potential route for additional Tideline Walks. Comms group to co-ordinate posts with ArchiFringe event on 19 June. **CG** advised of a paper going to RIAS Council to request 10k funding pot to be split between the Chapters. **JM** questioned feasibility of EAA taking ticketing income for COP26 events and donating that back to SPaCE. **KL** had no concerns if the appropriate invoices were raised. **CG** asked if the money would be donated to cover EAA events at SPaCE or SPaCE activities in general. It was confirmed it would be in exchange of use of the venue for our events/exhibitions etc. Further meeting to be scheduled to discuss Shopfronts/Tideline Walks.
- 8.0 EUDP - JM**
Weds 30th June 13:30-15:00 – CS | RM | BR | NM.
- 9.0 RIAS Committee & Council - JM**
JM to continue to familiarise herself with the make-up of the RIAS Committees and identify where there are gaps in EAA representation. Keen to ensure the Committees are used to the best of their potential.
Planning – LH. **LH** happy to continue to produce notes for EAA from the Planning Committee. Will also look at setting up an EAA Planning Working Group alongside **SY**.
Education – DA & RM
Encourage more representatives to step forward where possible to ensure continuity of representation and feedback. **SY & JH** raised the point that they would be keen to get involved but as Student Members this was not always accessible to them. **BR** questioned if we need a contact page on the website so members have somewhere to raise points with the committees.

10.0 AOB

BR congratulated **CG** on commencing her 2nd year as RIAS President.

CG told Council about an event (Listen) RIAS are holding as part of Architecture Fringe and encouraged them to participate.

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 13 July 2021 @ 18.00 on Zoom

EAA Council Attendance Record 2021

* = in attendance p = part only A= apology submitted - = no apologies received X – no longer on Council

Name	Member	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Joanne McClelland	President Apr 2020-	A	*	*	*	*	*						
Ben Rainger	Past President	*	*	*	*	*	*						
Daniel Anderson	Vice President	*	*	*	*	*	A						
John Lancaster	Vice President	A	*	*	*	*	*						
Charles Strang	Hon. Librarian	*	*	*	A	*	*						
Ken Lochrie	Hon Treasurer	*	*	*	*	*	*						
Nicola McLachlan	Apr 2019-	A	*	*	A	*	A						
Ruth McLennan	Apr 2019-	*	*	*	A	*	A						
Christina Gaiger	Apr 2019-	A	A	*	A	A	*						
Kieran Gaffney	Apr 2019-	*	*	*	*	A	*						
Kerry Nicol	Apr 2020-	*	*	*	*	*	*						
Andrew Jess	Apr 2020-	*	*	*	*	*	-						
Seva Yurchenko	April 2021 -	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	*	*						
James Haynes	April 2021 -	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	*	*						
Leslie Howson	Planning Rep	-	A	*	*	-	*						
Alex Liddell	ECAN rep	*	*	*	*	*	*						