

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EDINBURGH ARCHITECTURAL ASSOCIATION SCIO

HELD IN: Zoom Meeting
DATE: 13 July 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)
Seva Yurchenko (SY)	Daniel Anderson (DA)	Ruth McLennan (RM)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2.0 Andrew Jess (AJ)	Christina Gaiger (CG)	Kieran Gaffney (KG)
John Lancaster (JL)	Nicola McLachlan (NM)	Ken Lochrie (KL)

3.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes were approved. To be added to website.

4.0 ASSOCIATION

4.1 Presidents Report – JM

Advert launched for EAA Secretary replacement. New role title evolved with feedback, to be, EAA Administrator and Public Engagement Coordinator. Working through actions for EAA Awards and attending the SpACE steering group meetings.

4.2 SpACE - JM

SpACE is growing coalition within the built environment organisations/practices. It is currently seeking funding and best practice case studies for a popup for COP26. SpACE is to be for the public and professionals. BR suggested approaching BRE. RM suggested approaching IStructE SOS Scotland [Sustainability Open Spaces]. JM noted opportunity for any EAA Events to take place at SpACE. JM proposed EAA Awards to be at SpACE.

4.3 Treasurer's Report - KL – Nothing significant to report. Has encountered some difficulty in closing the old bank accounts but is persevering. KL noted Wood Award sponsorship received.

5.0 WORKING GROUPS

5.1 Mentoring/Education – RM/SY/JH

Open Reviews - All discussed the possibility of integrating it with SpACE as a vehicle; SpACE @ ESALA. Very respectful of sensibilities with ESALA. The possibility of a post review was discussed to not impact students time. JH to liaise with Laura Hardy @ ESALA to open up discussion.

SpACE - RM requested dates for SpACE and possible slots available. JM noted 5 weeks over November, but will push to develop a schedule with the SpACE steering group.

Coffee with an Architect - Current series of Coffee with an Architect sessions have come to a close. Intend to send out attendee feedback forms. All feedback so far has been positive. Learnings show that attendance is higher during term time. Proposals to set up ongoing series of Coffee with an Architect, based on university term time. Proposals to encourage diversity of mentors.

RIAS Education Group - RM noted Dundee Chapter, Gary Sinclair, are also currently running a mentoring event. RM and Gary discussed establishing an Education Group network across all chapters. Proposals to seek Admin support from RIAS. RM to raise at RIAS Education Group meeting. Initial feedback has shown that 93% of respondents want a mentor in Scotland. RM noted positive, proactive working group, all welcome to attend.

5.2 Events – KN

Included in Communications below.

5.3 Competitions – AL/JM

Eleanor Connor has drafted the brief for the Past, Present and Future Competition. AL to review. JM to circulate around council. Aim is to align timings with COP26 and display winning images at SpACE.

5.4 Conservation/Heritage – JM

JM noted the RIAS Beach Markers COP26 activity is to be developed. 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.

5.5 Communications – KN

KN reported on the last Comms meeting. Discussed the EAA McKay Medal and EAA Award. DA and KG to discuss contacting students to congratulate on being shortlisted. KG noted gap in Comms with Lyndsey's departure. Discussed 2 weeks until job applications deadline. Suggested possible student support in the interim. KN to chase up handover for comms/website. JM/BR to set out programme for EAA Awards activities. Judges to be JM/JL, last year's winner client, and one other. Opportunity to promote sustainability credentials. AL noted benefits of video filming of shortlisted submissions for social media. BR to contact last years cinematographer. JM noted funds in account for Wood Award. KG to source current list of potential sponsors.

5.6 Sustainability – See COP26 and SpACE. JM & CG to have separate discussion about Pre-Demolition Audits.

6.0 AWARDS 2021 - JM

6.1 EAA Award Submissions open until Weds 28 July.

JM/BR/DA/JL to work through EAA Awards programme of actions.

6.2 EAA J R McKay Medal – Comms Group to meet and progress publicising submissions. Awaiting input from University Tutors. Winners could be displayed at SpACE.

7.0 COP26 - JM

7.1 JM noted activities being promoted by RIAS for COP26 include:

Tidal walks – EAA have launched two walks on the EAA website. Walks were created with Collective Architecture and GRAS. Need co promoting with RIAS/promoting amongst members/public. Further walks to be looked at to cover all of the coastline. AL suggested contacting WTArchitecture and Fife Architects.

Shopfronts – Interest already from EAA members, need to clarify RIAS input, and promote.

Beach Markers – In collaboration with HES, need to clarify RIAS input/EAA input.

8.0 EUDP – JM

Next EUDP: Weds 28th July 13:30-15:00 – NM | CS | KN | RM.

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

Discussed ACAN, and how to support the organization.

**NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 17 Aug 2021 @ 18.00 on Zoom
[Rescheduled from 10th August due to Holidays.]**

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	*	*	*	*	*	A					
Charles Strang	Hon. Librarian	*	*	*	A	*	*	*					
Ken Lochrie	Hon Treasurer	*	*	*	*	*	*	A					
Nicola McLachlan	Apr 2019-	A	*	*	A	*	A	A					
Ruth McLennan	Apr 2019-	*	*	*	A	*	A	*					
Christina Gaiger	Apr 2019-	A	A	*	A	A	*	A					
Kieran Gaffney	Apr 2019-	*	*	*	*	A	*	A					
Kerry Nicol	Apr 2020-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*					
Andrew Jess	Apr 2020-	*	*	*	*	*	-	A					
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	*	*	-	*	A					
Alex Liddell	ECAN rep	*	*	*	*	*	*	*					