

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EDINBURGH ARCHITECTURAL ASSOCIATION SCIO

HELD IN: Zoom Meeting
DATE: 17 Aug 2021 18:00

1.0 PRESENT

Joanne McClelland (JM) (chair)	Alex Liddell (AL)	James Haynes (JH)
Seva Yurchenko (SY)	Kerry Nicol (KN)	Kieran Gaffney (KG)
Daniel Anderson (DA)	Leslie Howson (LH)	John Lancaster (JL)
Christina Gaiger (CG)	Ken Lochrie (KL)	

2.0 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Andrew Jess (AJ)	Nicola McLachlan (NM)	Ruth McLennan (RM)
Ben Rainger (BR)	Charles Strang (CS)	

3.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes were approved. To be added to website.

4.0 ASSOCIATION

4.1 Presidents Report – JM

Interviews for EAA Administrator, working through actions for EAA Awards and attending the SpACE steering group meetings.

4.2 SpACE - JM

SpACE is currently finalizing case studies for the exhibition. Focus has now moved to Events. JM noted opening dates are 28th October – 4th December, for 5 weeks over November. JM has pushed to develop a schedule with the SpACE steering group and started scheduling the interested hosts/events. JM proposed we host EAA Awards, on the 28th Oct and EAA Polemic debate at the end of the schedule. Both to be confirmed.

4.3 Treasurer's Report - KL – Nothing significant to report. Award submission fees received.

4.4 EAA Administrator – JM - Explained a sub working group had interviewed 3 applicants. The working group proposed their preferred applicant to council for approval of appointment. Council approved preferred candidate.

5.0 WORKING GROUPS

5.1 General

All discussed best way to develop overlap of working groups. All initiatives include elements of Education/Events/Competitions/Comms/Conservation/Sustainability. More circulating on initiatives required.

All discussed best way to resolve this. All noted we are tight for time and would be great to have more members in the working groups. CG suggested hosting social media around each group. Each group to prepare a couple of lines and list of members for promotion.

5.2 Mentoring/Education – RM/SY/JH /JL

JH and RM attended RIAS Education Group.

SY explained Open Reviews.

JH organizing meeting with Laura Hardy @ ESALA to open up discussion.

JH explained developments on Part 3 Workshops.

All discussed positive relationship developed with EAA and ESALA.

5.3 Events – KG

Key Events are the EAA Awards, noted separately below.

5.4 Competitions – AL

Eleanor Connor has drafted the brief for the Past, Present and Future Competition. Focused on tidal locations highlighting climatic changes. To be a Scotland wide competition, promoted through Chapters. AL to review. Aim is to align timings with COP26 and display winning images at SpACE.

KL presented discussion on New Town bin housing. KL is a member of New Town and Broughton Community Council. All discussed the urban realm/designation/design opportunity/waste culture. Responses included beautiful design of bin housing, community waste analysis, incorporate into landscape design, European solutions.

KL and JH discussed possibility of student activity/workshop. KL to discuss with New Town and Broughton Community Council.

5.5 Conservation/Heritage – JM

JM noted the RIAS Beach Markers COP26 activity is being developed with HES.

JM attended RIAS Conservation Committee. Key topic of discussion was the Draft RIAS Architectural Conservation Skills Matrix.

5.6 Communications – KN/CG/DA/JL

Discussed the EAA McKay Medal. The shortlist will be posted on social media, with the winner announced at the end. KN/JL/DA working through social media.

Discussed the EAA Awards, tight programme due to replacement of Secretary/Administrator.

5.7 Sustainability – JM

JM feeding into the RIAS Convention for Sustainability Mentors from EAA Chapter.

JM inviting EAA Chapter members to collaborate in SpACE.

Feeding into RIAS COP26 initiatives.

6.0 AWARDS 2021

EAA Award Submissions all received. Technical issues with AirTable have caused delays to the programme.

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

Note only publicise submissions once shortlisted list back from judges.

Comms team to publicise judges.

BR has contacted videographer for quotations.

Dates TBC - 28th October

KG to review timeline/planning of evening event.

Invitees list – shortlisted entrants and clients, local dignitaries.

7.0 COP26 - JM

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. SY/JH/DA reviewing graphic.

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

CLT ! – Concerns over location, cost and consents required. Proposal to utilize SpACE as a location. Other possibilities were discussed, but no alternate actions taken forward.

8.0 EUDP – JM

Next EUDP: 25th August - CS/KN/JM – LH on reserve

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.

General - 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. **JL** noted we need a contact page on the website so members have somewhere to raise points with the committees. An organization chart of names and positions would help. Potentially something the new Administrator could set up.

10.0 AOB

Discussed access to the EAA office at Rutland Square. **CG** noted RIAS September Council meeting will discuss post covid return to office timescales. EAA propose to maintain the office space, as and when access permitted.

All discussed when can we hold Council meetings in person. No date concluded.

LH discussed research paper into housing typologies. **JM** mentioned ZEST paper, BSI Retrofit Standards and Edinburgh’s 2030 Climate Strategy.

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 14 Sept 2021 @ 18.00 on Zoom
12 Oct, 9 Nov, 14 Dec.

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	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	A				
Daniel Anderson	Vice President	*	*	*	*	*	A	*	*				
John Lancaster	Vice President	A	*	*	*	*	*	A	*				
Charles Strang	Hon. Librarian	*	*	*	A	*	*	*	A				
Ken Lochrie	Hon Treasurer	*	*	*	*	*	*	A	A				
Nicola McLachlan	Apr 2019-	A	*	*	A	*	A	A	A				
Ruth McLennan	Apr 2019-	*	*	*	A	*	A	*	A				
Christina Gaiger	Apr 2019-	A	A	*	A	A	*	A	A				
Kieran Gaffney	Apr 2019-	*	*	*	*	A	*	A	*				
Kerry Nicol	Apr 2020-	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*				
Andrew Jess	Apr 2020-	*	*	*	*	*	-	A	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	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*				

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