



**GLASGOW INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS**  
**MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING No. 05 OF SESSION 2012/13**  
**HELD AT GLASGOW CITY HERITAGE TRUST, 54 BELL STREET,**  
**GLASGOW G1 1LQ AT 5.30P.M.**

**PRESENT**

President Michael Jarvis (Chair), Michael Dougall, Catherin Cosgrove, Nicholas Roberts Victoria Batters, Rob Campbell, Stephen Innes, Elaine Keenan, Stuart Gray, Stephen Miles, Chris Stewart, Lorraine Hickish, Micheal Holliday, Gordon Reid (Honorary Treasurer) and Elizabeth Reid (Secretary)

**1.0 APOLOGIES**

1.1 Tim Gray, John Dey, David Maciver, Nick Walker, Fiona Sinclair.

**2.0 PREVIOUS MINUTE**

2.1 The Minutes of the previous meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2012 were agreed.

**3.0 MATTERS ARISING**

3.1 President reinforced the need to change how committee reports are issued. He will organise a meeting of committee convenors a week before the Council meetings. Reports sent to Council will then be taken as read and only relevant issues will be discussed at Council.

3.2 The Past President has not yet signed a revised mandate with the Royal Bank of Scotland.

3.3 Honorary Treasurer has not transferred £5K to fixed rate account as needs the bank signatures changed.

3.4 P & L for the Members dinner not yet prepared as all invoices and expense claims not yet received President to pass information to the Honorary Treasurer.



- 3.5 Rob Campbell asked the Honorary Treasurer about the cost of the House For An Art Lover. There followed a discussion about whether a city centre venue such as the Lighthouse, Glasgow Art Club or Corinthian may be more suitable. Council voted in favour of keeping the event at the House For An Art Lover but also decided to investigate the possibility of an alternative venue. President to speak to the Education Committee who are the owners of this event.

**ACTION:** Past President to sign revised RBS Mandate.

Honorary Treasurer to transfer £5K to fixed rate account.

Honorary Treasurer to prepare P& L for Members Dinner

President to speak to convenor of Education Committee regarding the venue for the Student Awards.

#### **4.0 HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT**

- 4.1 The Honorary Treasurer tabled a written report.

#### **5.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **5.1 Architecture, People and Places**

- 5.1.1 Michael Dougall advised that the committee had not met since the last Council Meeting.

- 5.1.2 Michael Dougall confirmed that the first conversations event had taken place on the weekend of 13<sup>th</sup> /14<sup>th</sup> October 2012. The Conversation had taken place at Eglinton Toll and New City Road to gather information from the public on how these “canopy” spaces could be improved to benefit both the local community and the city as a whole. Third Year students from the GSA assisted over the weekend.

- 5.1.3 Michael Dougall further advised that fourth year product design students from the GSA have been developing their studio projects using “Conversations” as their brief.

##### **5.2 Communications**

- 5.2.1 Stuart Gray confirmed that all work to the website is complete. Need now to discuss with AP & P committee the “Conversations” page.



- 5.2.2 Stuart Gray advised that 2012 awards results are on the website and work will begin shortly on the 2013 awards. Desso have confirmed that they will sponsor the awards in 2013.
- 5.2.3 Stuart Gary updated Altro and Russwood will again be involved in the sponsorship of the 2013 member's Dinner.
- 5.2.4 President advised that the dinner had been booked at Oran Mor for November 15<sup>th</sup> 2013. This will be after to Doolan award winner is known.
- 5.2.5 Stuart Gary confirmed dialogue continues with Lansdowne with regards to improving the layout and publication date of the awards brochure. The closing date for entries is 14<sup>th</sup> September.

**ACTION:** Honorary Treasurer to invoice Russwood, Desso and Altro

### 5.3 **Education**

- 5.3.1 The Education committee was not represented and a report was not available.

### 5.4 **Practice/CPD**

- 5.4.1 Steven Innes advised that only 14 season tickets had been purchased. The committee had therefore decided to offer half price season tickets for the remaining four events.
- 5.4.2 Steve Innes updated that the last two events had achieved about 20 attendees but around 25 were need to break even. He encouraged council members to purchase season tickets and to encourage other members of their practices to do the same.
- 5.4.3 Steven Innes confirmed that as a speaker for the Design Manager session had not been secured the committee decided to change the event to a BIM Management session. The President stated that this is likely to be very popular as it is currently a topic of much discussion.
- 5.4.4 Steven Innes advised that the committee is planning site visits to Scottish Hydro Arena and the Commonwealth Sports Arena. The committee are considering offering the site visits free to season ticket holders on a first come first served basis.
- 5.4.5 Steven Innes advised that he would be joining RIAS Council. Rob Campbell asked the President if the GIA had taken up its full allocation on RIAS Council. The president advised that additional GIA Council members had expressed an interest in RIAS Council.



## 5.5 **Conservation and Sustainability**

- 5.5.1 Catherine Cosgrove advised that although not much had happened with this committee she felt that they will be able to start upload cases to the website soon. Catherine Cosgrove urged other members of council to consider relevant projects that their practice is working on which could be developed as case studies.
- 5.5.2 The President advised that he wanted to meet with Catherine Cosgrove and Chris Stewart to help refocus the Con/Sus work. This meeting will take place in January.
- 5.5.3 Chris Stewart suggested that Catherine might find the SEDA Green Drinks Event being organised on 31st January 2013 useful.

## 6.0 **ADDITIONAL REPORTS**

- 6.1 The President advised that that he had asked Micheal Holliday of the Roots Design workshop to give Council a brief update on his work. Micheal advised that through the Tog Studio which is a live build summer school his practice was involved on building a temporary lighthouse on Tiree. At the GIA Awards 2012 this project won both the small works category and the Wood for Good Award.
- 6.2 Micheal stated that the Roots Design Workshop would be working on a project to design an external sitting out area, "Sitooterie", for the Salvation Army, to be built in the grounds of their Ashbrook Hostel in Edinburgh's New Town. The project has will involve the residents using their creative and practical skills to create a new space for them to enjoy. The build element of this project maybe considered as the next live build event for the Tog Studio another project under consideration for the Tog Studio is the building of a permanent boathouse for the Maritime Trust on Tiree.
- 6.3 The President advised that GIA had recently donated £500 to Tog Studio and hoped be more involved in this type of work.



## **7.0 AOCB**

- 7.1 Chris Stewart raised the pairing/ buddying scheme which had been discussed at previous RIAS and GIA Council Meetings. Council agreed that there was merit in developing such a scheme and considered that Members of the Scottish Parliament should be the initial elected officials to be targeted. Chris Stewart agreed to begin work on mapping MSP constituencies against the GIA chapter boundaries in order to determine which MSPs could be potential be involved in a buddying scheme.
- 7.2 The President updated that he had had a meeting with a reporter from the Glasgow Evening Times and that there had been very little press comment from the GIA for some time. The President advised that he hoped that this would be rectified and would actively develop a relationship with the press.
- 7.3 The President advised that were a number of initiatives that he wants to promote to raise the profile of the GIA. This might include a summer exhibition in the Lighthouse promoting the previous year's architectural events. The President will update council once these ideas for initiatives have been developed further.

## **8.0 NEXT MEETING**

- 8.1 The next meeting of Council will be on Thursday 14th March 2013 at 5.30 p.m. in the offices of Glasgow City Heritage Trust, 54 Bell Street, Glasgow G1 1LQ.

Elizabeth Reid  
Secretary GIA

12<sup>th</sup> January 2013

