

# **CROSS PARTY GROUP**

## **on**

# **ARCHITECTURE and the BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

### **Notes of the AGM**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021, 2.00pm**  
**Meeting via Zoom**

#### **Present:**

Linda	Fabiani	MSP	Convenor
Graham	Simpson	MSP	Depute Convenor
Euan	Leitch	BEFS	Member
Karen	Stevenson	RIAS	Secretariat
Craig	McLaren	RTPI	Treasurer

#### **Apologies:**

There were no apologies.

#### **Welcome**

Linda Fabiani MSP welcomed all those in attendance and then began formal AGM proceedings, as below.

#### **1.0 Minutes of the previous meeting (9<sup>th</sup> January 2020)**

1.1 The minutes were approved as an accurate record.

#### **2.0 Office Bearers 2021**

2.1 The Chair noted that while the CPG recognised that it would cease to operate as of the 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021, when Parliamentary business is closed in advance of the election, the meeting agreed the following arrangements for office bearers would operate for the remainder of the period.

2.2 The Convenor of the Group was nominated and unanimously approved as Graham Simpson MSP. Linda Fabiani MSP was nominated and unanimously confirmed as Depute Convenor. The meeting thanked Linda for her significant contribution to the CPG in her role as Convenor.

2.2 There was unanimous agreement on the nomination of the RTPI as Treasurer represented by Craig McLaren, and the re-nomination of the RIAS as Secretariat represented by Karen Stevenson.

### **3.0 Financial Report**

- 3.1 The report from the Treasurer was circulated. The Financial statement (attached) indicated a closing balance of £1255.13 at the 30<sup>th</sup> December 2020 was welcomed. Further discussion took place regarding the continuation of charge subscription fees.

### **4.0 Any Other Business**

- 4.1 Plans for the next and final meeting were discussed. The meeting agreed the session would take the shape of presentations from a range of built environment organisations on the future for the built environment and measures that would shape the change. Suggestions for the format included '*one-point takeaways*' from each organisation. The professional organisations would arrange a separate meeting to shape the agenda and prepare for the event. Details would be shared with Graham Simpson's team and the CPG team at the SP.
- 4.2 The Group discussed the requirements for re-registration following the election and shaping the CPG as an umbrella group with a focus on engagement and facilitating a wider public voice. The Convenor outlined her recommendations for future CPG formats to include regular meetings to advance specific agendas, but the importance of larger and more inclusive events that would embrace a wider audience, alongside regular exhibitions.

- 5.0 Date of Next Meeting** – the next and final meeting of the CPG for this parliamentary session will take place on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7.30pm.

### **AGM Close**