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CR4, SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT,
EDINBURGH, EH99 1SP

1.00pm TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2017

1. Welcome

Ms Lennon welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologised for having to re-schedule the meeting.

2. Matters Arising

- Notes of meeting on 21 February 2017.

None

3. Treasurer's Report

Mr Barn gave a report on the groups finances (attached).

4. Gender Equality in Construction

The Convenor reported that the Construction Skills Investment Plan had been issued in March 2015 and it aimed to set out clear and shared statement of the sector's skills needs and highlights the skills priorities to be addressed to support the sector's future growth ambitions.

The Construction SIP stated the proportion of females in construction and related frameworks had increased slightly over time, from 1.6% in 2009/10 to 2% in 2013/14.

It also stated that construction remained amongst the most gender segregated framework groupings.

The Convenor welcomed Ms Nicola Swan, Skills Development Scotland, who gave an overview of the situation.

The Convenor welcomed Gail McEwan, who was a Site Engineer at I & H Brown who gave a presentation on her personal experience of entering and working in the construction industry.

A blog of Gail's presentation to the Cross Party Group can be found at <http://bit.ly/2stCVvd>

5. Any Other Business

None.

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6. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be looking at Apprenticeships and will also be the group's AGM.

It would take place at the Scottish Parliament at 6.00pm on 3 October 2017.

Attendance

Monica Lennon MSP (Convenor)
Alison Johnstone MSP

Grahame Barn – CECA Scotland (Treasurer)
Craig Blair – GMG Contractors Ltd
Tony Brunton
Paula Coopland – MPA Scotland
Robert Girvan – CITB
Cara Hilton – CECA Scotland
Michael Lennox – CITB Scotland
Gail McEwen – I & H Brown
Gerry McGinn – GMG Contractors Ltd
John McKinney – Scottish Contractors Group (Secretary)
Gordon Nelson – Federation of Master Builders
Martin Richardson – MMR Construction and T J Ross Ltd
Alan Seath – Seath Planning Ltd
Stephen Slessor – Morrison Construction
Nicola Swan - SDS
Stephen Young – Institution of Structural Engineers and CECA Scotland

Apologies

Sandra White MSP
Christine McKelvie MSP

Maureen Douglas – Forster Roofing
Anne Galbraith - SECTT
Malcolm Horner - University of Dundee
Newell McGuinness – SELECT
Stephen Sheridan – SDS
Allan Thomson – Central Training Services Ltd
Karyn Watt – Anderson Strathern
Alan Wilson – SELECT

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