

**INSTITUTE OF HISTORIC BUILDING CONSERVATION
SEFYDLIAD CADWRAETH ADEIADU HANESYDDOL
CANGEN CYMRU * WALES BRANCH**

MINUTES OF THE IHBC WALES BANCH MEETING HELD ON THE 12TH MAY 2006 AT
THE INTERNATIONAL PAVILION, THE ROYAL WELSH SHOW GROUND ,
LLANELWEDD, POWYS.

PRESENT: Dave Jump, Glyn Jones, Neil Sumner, Dave Rigby, Edward Holland and Nathan Blanchard.

1.APOLOGIES:

1.1.Apologies were received from , Gwilym H.Jones, John Ellis, Ron Douglass , Kirsty Martin, Trefor Thorpe, Alan Richards and Dewi Williams.

2.MINUTES OF THE IHBC WALES BRANCH MEETING HELD ON THE 14TH MARCH 2006 AT VAYNOL HALL, VAYNOL ESTATE, BANGOR , GWYNEDD.

2.1.The minutes were read and approved as a true record of the meeting (*agreed nem con ,N.B . proposed D.J. seconded*).

3.MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MEETING.

3.1.D.J. reported to the meeting with respect to item 5.2 that GHJ the Wales Branch Chairman had written to Alun Pugh A.M, Minister for Culture, Welsh Language and Sport to invite him to attend the proposed IHBC Wales Branch / Civic Trust for Wales Conference and to give the key note speech. To date the Minister has not replied to the invitation.

4. THE PROPOSED IHBC WALES BRANCH DRAFT LEAFLET.

4.1.D.J. reported to the meeting that Kirsty Martin and GHJ were looking into having the National IHBC leaflet translated to Welsh before asking Dave Chetwyn to have it printed as discussed and agreed.

It was still hoped that the leaflet could be ready in time for the conference on the 14th of July.

5.THE PROPOSED IHBC WALES BRANCH / CIVIC TRUST FOR WALES BAR CONFERENCE.

5.1.D.J. reported to the meeting in the absence of K.M. That the conference had been organized and it will take place at the National Library of Wales , Aberystwyth on Friday 14th July 2006 between 10am and 4pm.

D.J. & N.B. reported that before K.M. had gone on leave she was going to get in touch with our President David Lovie, who was very keen to come and visit members in Wales.

N.B. reported to the meeting that we have taken a number of bookings already and places are limited , so get your bookings in a.s.a.p.

6.THE IHBC WEBSITE (IHBC WALES BRANCH PAGE).

6.1.D.J. reported to the meeting in the absence of K.M. That member's need to forward before and after photographs for inclusion in the Building of the Month. N.S. And others confirmed that they had intended to do , but they just hadn't found time. E.H. Said that he has digital photographs of the afters but nearly all of his before photographs are hard copies. N.S. And D.J. said don't worry about the format just send them to K.M and she can get them scanned and returned to you.

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7.IHBC WALES BRANCH OFFICERS REPORTS.

7.1.D.J. reported to the meeting GHJ our Chairman had e-mailed him to submit his apologies for not being able to attend the meeting due to his attendance at the National Park Conservation Officers annual liaison meeting in the Lake District. GHJ's e-mail also confirmed ; writing to Alun Pugh A.M. , confirming e-mail to K.M. re the Branch Leaflet ; confirming our Directors letter to Cadw to try and arrange a second follow up meeting , together with a suggested agenda; The proposed Branch Banner ; Dewi Williams initiative for the IHBC's presence at the forthcoming Eisteddfod and his expressions of appreciation for IHBC members in Ynys Mon and Conwy and the Branch Representative for their expert advice and willing help when SNPA were recently preparing a THI bid to the HLF.

7.2.D.J. reported to the meeting in the absence of R.D. (Branch Treasurer) that the branch budget remained unchanged standing at £1,280.00 in the branch account.

7.3 D.J. reported to the meeting in the absence of A.R.(Education Officer) that A.R. had informed him that nothing is happening on the education front. D.J. reported to the meeting that A.R. was very disillusioned with the sheer lack of development on the education front.

7.4.D.J. reported to the meeting that Trefor Thorpe (Membership Secretary) had e-mailed him with his apologies as he was having to stand in for Cadw's Director at the RICS Awards in Cardiff on the day. (Nothing reported on the membership front)

7.5.D.J. Reported to the meeting that as branch Secretary he was carrying out his function in the normal manner.

7.6.N.B. reported to the meeting as branch Representative he was hoping to get onto the Aberystwyth Group.

7.7.N.S. N.S. Reported to the meeting that he would continue to press for IHBC representation on the Historic Environment Group. WLGA is sending no representative to HEG and there was therefore no-one to represent Welsh local authorities. IHBC could partly fulfill that role, as well as represent consultant architects. It was encouraging that Cadw's new Director said at BHF that she saw a role for the IHBC on HEG even if it may only be with observer status. Matter would be raised at next IHBC/Cadw meeting. NS reported that he would be attending next national Policy Committee meeting on 24th May, particularly to learn current position of Heritage Protection Review & White Paper.

8.ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

8.1.D.J. reported to the meeting the e-mail consultations recently received on the proposed pop-up banner. N.B. confirmed “ Further to the last branch meeting I’ve obtained a quote for undertaking the expandable vertical banners and integral stand with carrying case as we discussed. The costs are higher than expected but having made further inquiries as to the reason it transpires that the product we are being offered is superior and has inherent flexibility built in as the banner itself can be detached and replaced as necessary, either as conferences, issues, or the IHBC logo changes. Also the less expensive fixed versions are no longer available. The firm is located in Deganwy and has been operating for over 5 years and works closely with a number of public sector bodies including CCW. They are a bilingual outfit so we should not suffer from any typo’s in translation if we wish to add any text. I have already supplied the IHBC logo and they would appreciate digital shots of various aspects of the historic environment. If the proposal is acceptable I can ask for a formal written quote which will form the basis of the engagement. No doubt there’ll be opportunities to

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discuss the artwork be production.” The meeting were in agreement that N.B. take the proposal forward in consultation with K.M.

8.2.D.J. reported to the meeting that our Director Sean O'Reilly had written to Jean Booker of Cadw proposing a follow up 2nd meeting and putting forward a preliminary agenda.

8.3. D.J. reported to the meeting that he had received an e-mail from Dewi Williams confirming the RICS are looking for Welsh speakers and as they normally share with other professional institutes to man their stand at the Eisteddfod whether in principle, the IHBC could also have a small stand.

D.J. reported that he had forwarded Dewi's e-mail to all the IHBC Wales Branch Committee and he had had positive replies from T.T., A.R. & GHJ.

This was discussed briefly and it was felt that we may be able to provide IHBC Welsh speakers from the branch, failing that we may be able to at least provide our pop-up banner and a stack of leaflets subject to willing volunteers.

9.DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT IHBC WALES BRANCH MEETING.

9.1. 11th July 2006 ,7.30p.m. At the Vaynol Hall, Vaynol Estate , Bangor , Gwynedd.
The meeting closed at 4.30pm.