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EAST MIDLANDS BRANCH

**Minutes of Branch Committee Meeting:
Tuesday 6th July 2010
The Fox & Crown, Appleton Gate, Newark**

Present: Jane Roylance, Robert Walker, Fiona Newton, Rose Thompson, Stephen Bradwell, Chris McKinney, Roy Lewis & Jenny Timothy

Guest: Sarah Oran

Apologies: Chloe Oswald, David Boyson, Philip Grover, Jason Mordan, Liz Mayle & Rachel Booth

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting & Matters Arising

Jane reported that she had written to all three applicants for the Branch Annual School Bursary award.

The Minutes were approved as a correct record.

2. Chairman's Report and Business Plan

It was noted that the IHBC Corporate Action Plan had been circulated, Fiona noted that the Plan had been agreed at the IHBC AGM.

The key issues arising out of the Corporate Plan was to find a volunteer to promote the charitable aspects and fund raising of the IHBC and to feed some of its main actions into Branch Business Plans.

[ACTION: Circulate IHBC Corporate Action Plan to all Branch members]

Any comments on the Plan should be referred to Roy so that he can report to IHBC Council; the main issues to consider are the priorities given to the various actions.

Rob proposed that, unless there were any comments to the contrary, we should offer the support of the Branch, particularly as it offers extra support to the Branches.

3. Treasurers Report

Rose reported that the accounts now stand at £950.95 (current account) & £189.67 (reserve account). The current account includes the £1,000 drawdown from the 'Buxton account' and also includes a number of deductions to cover the Bursary award.

The Branch contribution had also been sent to the Gus Astley Award Scheme.

4. Membership Secretary

David was absent.

5. Branch Reps Report

There had not been a Council meeting since the last Branch meeting.

6. County Reps Report

Chris McKinney (Derbyshire) – the latest meeting of the Derbyshire group had heard a presentation by English Heritage on PPS5.

Rob Walker (Lincolnshire) – also reported that their last meeting had also heard the English Heritage presentation, which was particularly useful on issues of setting.

7. IHBC Committee Nominees

Jane noted that the Technical Committee was due to meet on 13 July.

Fiona reported that next edition of Context would include articles on wind farms, with a theme on views and setting in the context of PPS5.

9. Arrangements for AGM

As Rachel was absent the decision was taken to investigate alternative venues, Jane suggesting either Cusworth Hall near Doncaster or Wollaton Hall in Nottingham.

[ACTION: Jane to investigate possible AGM venues]

10. Annual School Feedback

Jane thanked Roy for the offer of his place at the Annual School.

The views of those who had attended suggested that whilst there was a London focus it was very enjoyable, although Chris found it disappointing that the workshops had been lost from the programme.

Fiona reported that feedback so far had been good and the two Bursary candidates had written reports for Context.

11. 2011 Bursary Award

Rob thought that the Bursary scheme had worked well but next year the Annual School was in Llandudno and it would therefore be difficult to travel there just for the day. Therefore he suggested that it would be more appropriate to offer an award to cover the full school, costs were unlikely to be much different from this year's award.

This suggestion was well received and it was agreed that the matter be raised at the Branch AGM. It was also agreed to set aside a budget of £600 for next year's Bursary.

12. CPD Branch Visits

The visit to Hathern Terra Cotta had been very successful and a good turn out was

reported. Jane would write a letter of thanks.

ACTION: Jane to write thank-you letter on behalf of the Branch

Chris McKinney suggested that if we were to write a gypsum plaster floor leaflet then it might be useful to have an event to tie-in with that and to act as a fact finding opportunity.

13. AOB

Fiona reported on the 'Investing in the Past' conference in Glasgow.

Jane noted that RIBA had launched its conservation register and the first applicants were expected by September.
