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**MINUTES OF THE IHBC WALES BRANCH MEETING AT
3.45PM ON THE 14TH JUNE 2010 BY VIDEO CONFERENCING
AT CARTREFI CYMRU OFFICE'S 28-34 DEAN STREET
BANGOR GWYNEDD LL571UR AND 5 COOPERS YARD
CURRAN ROAD CARDIFF CF105N**

In Attendance: Richard S Dean, John Edwards, Dave Jump, Ron Douglass, Nathan Blanchard and Dewi Williams.

1. Apologies.

1.1. Apologies were received from Lindsay Cuddy.

**2. Minutes of the IHBC Wales Branch Meeting held on the
16th April 2010 at the International Pavilion The Royal Welsh
Show Ground Llanelwedd Powys.**

2.1. The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record of the meeting (proposed R.S.D. seconded N.B.)

3. Matters arising from the above meeting.

3.1. Under item 3.3. RSD informed that nothing has happened i.e. nothing to report on his email sent requesting the respective Chair's of the other Professional Institutes meet up with a view to greater dialog and collaboration vis a vis conferences and events. **[action RSD]**



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3.2. Under item 4.1. RSD informed of the email exchange with our Director. NB explained there are two separate issues. Central Office say we need to bid for support but our Director has not said no to our proposal. At present we receive £1000.p.a. the same as the other National Branches. The difference is the Wales Branch has to deal with Cadw's senior people unlike Scotland and England who have James and our Director who do that.

3.3. Under item 8.2. RSD reported he was still in contact with Roisin Willmott (RTPI Cymru) and others. **[action RSD]**

4. Finding replacements for vacant Branch Officer post's

4.1. RSD reported he had spoken with Janet Wilding who was willing and happy to take on the post of Membership Secretary. **[action Janet Wilding]** to attend the next meeting.

4.2. RSD again reported that Sue Tomlinson is presently finishing off her Post Graduate Degree in Historic Building Conservation and was willing and happy to take up the post of Events and Publicity Secretary. **[action Sue Tomlinson]** to attend the next meeting.

5. Proposed North and South Wales visits/ events (update.)

5.1. DJ raised with RSD the various emails that had been to and fro regarding the current issue of the Professional Calendar of Events. Discussion took place on the risk from the lack of private sponsorship but also on the fact that it was a little out of date i.e. behind the times.



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It was agreed for DJ to go back to Felicity White ICE to say that the IHBC Wales Branch wishes to support the change from the hard copy calendar to an electronic one. It was discussed and agreed that there would be no need for a web site as it could be done by email with a monthly update spreadsheet similar to the Heritage Links. **[action DJ& NB to email FW]**

5.2. RSD reported on the progress of organising events in the South. The first to be on Friday 23rd July 13.45 to 19.15 with a return visit to Flat Holm.

The second to be on Friday 20th August visiting Denever House and Gardens. This would be in two parts the second part being a visit to Home Farm a HLF project that supports traditional rural crafts. (National Trust) and , Finally Friday 17th September is a planned visit to St Mary's Priory at Abergaveny to see a recent renovation project. **[action RSD]**

5.3. NB mentioned a potential site visit to St Winifreds Well at Holywell again on Friday 15 or 22nd TBA **[action NB]**

6. Llandudno IHBC Annual School June 2011.

6.1. NB tabled the flyer we had been able to introduce to the delegates who attended the London Annual School 2010. NB reported a positive response to the flyer. NB also confirmed that the 8000 printed copies of the flyer planned to go into the IHBC Year Book had not been ready in time so they are now planned to go into the next Building Conservation Directory



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together with a half page spread in the next Context publication (August /Sept) and all following publications up to the event.

6.2. NB also reported we have just held a hour meeting of the Annual School Volunteers/ Organisers where it was reported that we have all been busy chasing up sponsorship for the event. DJ was following up consultations with Welsh Slate and Linford while NB was chasing up Donald Insall and others.

NB informed we are aiming to get a principal key note speaker (HLF) or similar.

In addition others are chasing up the options for site visits and guided tours, so it's developing nicely.

(Tentative visits to be fixed for Thursday at Gwydyr Castle & Fort Belan, for approx' 20-25 people. RD to ascertain a fixed price for guided talk at the former) **[action all]** Annual School Volunteers/ Organisers

7. IHBC Wales Branch Officer's Reports.

7.1. RD (Treasurer) reported we have £1017.00 in the savings account, £101.00 in the reserve and £365.00 in the current account. At present we have no known liabilities.

7.1. NB (Branch Rep) reported he had attended the London School and the IHBC AGM recently. The next Council meeting will be held in mid September. The AGM went well with only two main areas of business (a) Formal disciplinary procedures and (b) The IHBC Corporate Buisness Plan. In all a very smooth meeting.



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7.3. DJ (Secretary) suggested the next meeting should be held in South Wales and asked RSD if he would be so kind as to make enquiries his end for a booking. It was agreed that the 12th August be provisionally booked for the next branch meeting in order to coordinate with the planned IHBC /Cadw meeting in Cardiff.

[action DJ&RSD]

8. AOB

8.1. RSD informed of the Historic Environment Launch “Valuing our historic environment” Questionnaire. RSD said they were quite difficult questions to answer as they sort mainly statistics. **[action RSD to email DJ &NB]**

8.2. RSD informed of Cadw’s launch with the Minister “Maintenance Matters”.

8.3. RDS also informed of the Treftradaeth Conference coming up shortly again with the Minister as (Key note speaker) Cadw led.

8.4. Lastly but not least a meeting is planed between Cadw and IHBC in Cardiff 12th August.

9. Date and time of the next meeting

11.1. 12th August (South Wales) time and venue TBA. **[action DJ]**