

Minutes

CIPFA SOUTH EAST REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING - DIGITAL

Date 8 July 2020
Time 2.00 – 3.35pm
Venue Digital – via iMPower Microsoft Teams

Present	President	Amy Crowson
	Junior Vice President	Kathryn Long
	Regional Secretary/Vice President	John Barker
	Regional Treasurer	Nicki Cooper
	Regional Website Administrator	Lillian Manning
	Corporate Members	Phil Butlin
		Stephanie Mitchener
		Thomas England
		Mark Williams
	Immediate Past President/CIPFA Council Member	Rosanne Nulty
	Registered Students	William Goodchild
		Trisha Brigemohane
	CIPFA Council Elected Members in Region	Richard Harbord
	Co-opted members	Matt Bowmer
		Nick Carroll
		Jade Coombes
		Philippa Watkins
		Nick White

AGENDA ITEMS

Action by

1. Apologies were received from Eric Keighley, Suresh Patel, Caroline Russell, Lorna Baxter, Paul Clarke and Joanne Pitt.
2. Minutes of meeting on 30 April 2020 were agreed. Matters arising were –
 - 3.1 Mentoring – a ‘road map’ for further mentoring developments should be prepared to project proposals through the Covid pandemic and into 2021, identifying likely sponsor support.
 - 3.2 Nicki will update the projections to year end when practical.

Matters for discussion or decision

3. 2020 Development Plan and 4 July 2020 Budget v Actual Report

- (1) Review of the delivery of the 2020 Plan – noted. Digital events will replace planned live

ones wherever possible, until it is safe to reinstate live events. Other elements planned should be able to continue, although maybe reduced in scale where CIPFA HQ support is required. **(All to note)**

- (2) Budget v Actual Statement to 4 July showing known income and expenditure to date was reviewed. Nicki had not made any year end projections because of the continuing uncertainty from the Coronavirus Emergency, but will update for future Councils.

4. Regional Forum - digital meetings 14 May and 7 July 2020
Agenda pages, action points and related papers were reviewed -
 - (1) 14 May action points – noted.
 - (2) Risk assessments for regional events- noted for future live event use
 - (3) 7 July agenda – noted
 - (4) Regional Diversity and Inclusion Champions. Paul Clarke has now volunteered to be CSE Council's lead and will welcome support from other CSE Council colleagues. The role outline may be updated by CIPFA HQ as regional champions offer feedback as their work progresses.
 - (5) Update on Public Finance Live – verbal advice that it is likely to be a digital event later in the year. **(All to note)**

Matters for information or note

5. Events Plan 2020.
Council reviewed the updated plan, which now identified those events impacted by Coronavirus restrictions. Agreed that a continuing autumn/winter digital CPD programme should replace live hub events, wherever possible. Topics already suggested were agreed and Council was asked to suggest further topics and/or presenters as relevant. The 2021 CPD programme would perhaps become a mixture of digital and live events and hub groups will be consulted when appropriate, to offer feedback. Our major live events will not be reinstated until it is clearly safe to do so **(JB)**

6. CIPFA Council/Secretariat updates from RH covered positive news on CIPFA's financial Position, student recruitment and consultancy services. Regular debrief summaries of each CIPFA Council meeting to help enable consistent regional communication are likely to be reinstated later this year.

Reporting on group activity

7. SE-CSN business
Will Goodchild is now the national President for the CIPFA Student's Network. His verbal report confirmed that the proposed SE-CSN activities for 2020 will be kept under review as the pandemic circumstances allow.

8. Retired members' group activities –
The visit to Clerkenwell planned for 28 April is postponed to at least Spring 2021.

Any Other Business

9. None notified or raised.

Forward Diary

10. Forward diary for 2020/21 agreed as –

Thursday 17 September (3-5pm – provisional time - Digital or venue tbc)

Tuesday 8 December (3-5pm at CIPFA HQ, or digital) and

Wednesday 3 February (3-5pm) (digital or venue tbc)

John Barker

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