

Minutes 18 September 2019

CIPFA SOUTH EAST REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

Date 18 September 2019
Time 3.00pm to 5.00pm (tea/coffee available from 2.45pm)
Venue CCLA, Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4V 4ET

Present	President	Amy Crowson
(Teleconf)	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
		Mark Williams
	Immediate Past President/CIPFA Council Member	<i>Rosanne Nulty</i>
	Retired Members' representative	Eric Keighley
	Registered Students	William Goodchild
		<i>Trisha Brigemohane</i>
	CIPFA Council Elected Members in Region	Rosanne Nulty
	Co-opted Members	Nick Carroll
		James Cook
		<i>Joanne Pitt</i>
		Niall Hamilton (4PM)

Invited

AGENDA ITEMS

1. No new attendees present.
2. Apologies received for today's meeting from Tom England, Richard Harbord, Suresh Patel, Chris Blundell, JaDE Coombes, James Kidd, Philippa Watkins and Nick White.

3. Minutes and matters arising from meeting on 20 May 2019 **(Paper SEO886)**

JB relayed the thanks and feedback received from Geraldine Treadaway following our card and flowers delivered to her following Paul's funeral.

Matters for discussion or decision

4. 2019 Development Plan, Budget Statement and Treasurer's Report **(Papers SEO888)**

(1) Update on the delivery of the 2019 Plan (**Papers SEO868** are attached for reference).

(2) The 13 September 2019 Budget v Actual Statement records income, expenditure and reserves.

Council noted and approved these papers – see Action Notes for detailed follow up action.

5. Public Finance Live 2019 (CIPFA Conference) – feedback from attendees was fairly positive, but a better regional profile is suggested for 2020.

6. Regional Forum updates (8 July meeting and 12 September teleconference).

Meeting notes are attached and further commentary on the requests for funding regional IT Systems was made at the meeting. Outcome will be confirmed at November Forum.

(Papers SEO889 and 1/3)

See Action Note for detailed follow up requests.

7. Planned Summer Conference, Wantage Hall, Reading University on 12/14 September.

There were significantly lower enrolments than expected by August bank holiday, hence a postponement decision was necessary. Council was appraised of the current plans by the Working Group to try and offer the event again in Spring 2020. See Action Note for detailed follow up action/requests.

8. Student Network/London Division Quiz – 24 September, Slug & Lettuce, Minorities.

An update on registrations and sponsorship was given. Plenty of potential interest evident.

Team entries are permitted, so a Regional Council team could be entered – see Action Note for follow up requests.

9. Pan Accountancy Lunch - 4 October 2019

CIPFA are sponsoring corporately again – see Action Note on expressions of interest requests.

10. Speed Mentoring Evening - 10 October hosted by Grant Thornton, 30 Finsbury Square.

This event is to be dedicated to nearly or newly qualified regional colleagues and will follow the format of our previously successful events, with 15 each of mentor/mentee participants.

An update on registrations received already for this was made by WG. See Action Note for further participation and/or promotion requests.

11. The CIPFA 20/20 Project – Niall Hamilton, Project Manager presented the objectives and engagement required for this project. Niall's paper **SEO890** outlines current proposals and timescales for this and he requested Regional Council feedback and support for events to be arranged to help facilitate discussion of, and participation in, this project as his work proceeds. See Action Note for further dates to be arranged across our region.

Matters for information or note

12. Updated Events programme at 13 September 2019 and related issues **(Paper SEO891)**
Noted - an update will be included in the submitted Development Plan.
13. Institute Business
 1. CIPFA Council – report by Rosanne Fleming (with additions by other elected CIPFA Council Members present).
 2. CIPFA Secretariat update – Joanne Pitt's summary
CIPFA Council debrief note to be circulated by RN and/or JP

Reporting on group activity

14. SE-CSN business
Progress report from Will Goodchild was noted. **(Paper SEO892)**
15. Retired members' group activities –
Report from Eric Keighley on group activities.
Next visit is planned for 18 October to PO Museum at Mount Pleasant. 17 enrolments.

Any Other Business

16. Please notify the President before the start of the meeting if possible.

Forward Diary

17. Forward diary for 2019/20 – next Council meeting dates to be agreed -
Regional Councils - 4 December 2019 (at CIPFA)
and 29 January 2020 (PA Consulting Group hosting). A CPD Evening is planned to follow.
AGM/Spring Conference – 20 April 2020 (Grant Thornton, Finsbury Square hosting)

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