

Lifts Group

Notes of Meeting of Lifts Group AGM held at CIBSE HQ, Balham, London on Wednesday 11th February 2009 at 1700hrs.

PRESENT

Mr A Scott, (*Chairman*)
Mr M Bottomley, (*Vice Chairman*)
Dr Eur Ing G C Barney, (*Events Secretary*)
Mr J Bashford, (*Exhibitions*)
Mr J Snowball, (*CIBSE, BSI Codes and Standards Representative*)
Mr D Cooper – Part attendance (*Lift Academy*)
Mr S Procter, (*Lift Academy*)
Ms A Rothery – Part attendance, (*Treasurer*)
Mr S Hobson, (*Secretary*)



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APOLOGIES

None

DISTRIBUTION

Those present plus;

Dr K Butcher (CIBSE)
Ms J Balian (CIBSE)
Nyree Hughes (*CIBSE – Manager for Regions, Group & Societies*)
N Golledge (*CIBSE Journal Publications co-ordinator*)
Dr R Peters (*Website*)

MINUTES

1.0 Welcome and Apologies

Adam Scott opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees.

No Apologies were received.

2.0 Election of Officers

Officers will continue in current roles for the duration of 2009 without change.

3.0 Previous Minutes

The previous meeting minutes were accepted as read.

4.0 Matters Arising

4.1 Liaison with CIBSE Heritage Group

Volunteers have now come forward with offers to undertake surveys of the Heritage Group's fifteen buildings with historic lift installations as stated previously. David Cooper will facilitate contact arrangements in order for each individual to undertake their inspections.

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4.2 CIBSE Journal

The new CIBSE Journal 'publications co-ordinator' Nicola Golledge is seeking content input for publication. Anybody interested should contact a member of the Lifts Group committee. .

4.3 The Lift Academy

The continued close association and promotion of the Academy and the Lifts Group is proving beneficial. 51 attendees were present at the academy meeting of today's date with a presentation from Paul Alexander of Hilti re fixings and an Express Lifts training video re setting up lift brakes. Forthcoming events include Mike Turner from Lester controls.

4.4 Website and Member Communications

The group has been notified of the sad death of a member Mr Brian

4.0 Standards & Regulations

- The European Commission is to review and revise The Lifts Directive in four main areas to cover crushing (Annex 2.2), rope sizing (Annex 13) and typographical errors.
- The Machinery Directive is to be in force on 29th December 2009 which requires the withdrawal or amendment of conflicting European Standards.
- BT's 21st Century networks will update the UK's 11 current network types with internet protocol (IP) technology. Windcrest will be publishing an article within the next edition of Elevation magazine.
- BS 5900:1999 Specification for powered domestic lifts with partially enclosed cars and no lift-well enclosures, is to be revised.
- BS 6440:1999 Powered lifting platforms for use by disabled persons. Code of practice is to be revised.
- BS 9999:2008 Code of practice for fire safety in the design, management and use of buildings has been recently published.
- BS 8300:2009 an updated and expanded version will be published shortly in March 2009.
- BS 8486-1 & 2 2007 Examination and test of new lifts before putting into service is to be revised to include uncontrolled movement test, together proposal for annex covering lifting platforms
- EN81-40: Powered stairlifts for seated, standing and wheelchair users moving in an inclined plane has been published and BS 5776 withdrawn.
- prEN81-41: Vertical lifting platforms has been approved with 77% QMV and is in the process of tidying up editorial comments.
- BS 5655-6:2002 Lifts and Service Lifts, Code of practice for the selection and installation of new lifts is planned to be revised to consider CDM 2007 aspects.
- BS5656-2:2004 Safety rules for the construction and installation of escalators and moving walks. Code of practice for selection,

installation and location walks is planned to be revised to consider CDM 2007 aspects.

- Consideration of modern large manual and powered wheelchairs and their application and compliance with current applicable wheelchair standards is recommended following concerns raised by disability groups in respect of lift accessibility for such devices.
- prEN81-21:2009 New lifts in existing buildings is out for UAP (Unique Approval Process) vote 1st May 2009.
- prEN 81-43. Safety rules for the construction and installation of lifts. Special lifts for the transport of persons and goods. Part 43. Special purpose lifts for cranes is in progress.
- BS DD CEN/TS 81-82:2008 – Improvement of Accessibility of existing lifts for persons with disability is now available from BSI.
- ISO/DIS 25745-1. Energy performance of lifts and escalators. Part 1. Energy measurement and conformance – Draft for comment has been voted on and was positive for CEN and negative for ISO. (Dr Barney is UK representative).

6.0 Treasurers Report

The group continues to be self supporting financially with stable membership numbers with the annual exhibition providing a good source of revenue.

7.0 Meetings / Seminars / Presentations

The groups 2009 annual exhibition will take place in Manchester on Wednesday 4th November 2009. Exhibitors should contact a committee member for further information if they wish to take part in the event.

8.0 CIBSE Lift Group Hong Kong

No information to report.

9.0 Any Other Business

CIBSE Guide D is being updated and revised by a panel of authors under the chairmanship of Adam Scott, The completed revised document is intended for publication in September 2010.

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10.0 Date of Next Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 10th February 2010.