Minutes of the CIBSE Lifts Group Executive Committee

18 November 2022, 1100-1200h
MS TEAMS Meeting

PRESENT
Adam Scott (AS)
Dave Cooper (DC)
Gina Barney (GB)
John Bashford (JB)
Michael Bottomley (MB)
Phil Pearson (PP)
Richard Peters (RP)
Wee Chuan Lim (CL)
Javier Garcia (JG)
Jack Batley (JB)

APOLOGIES
Vincent Sharpe (VS)
John Carroll (JC)
Nick Mellor (NM)
Rory Smith (RS)
Stefan Kaczmarczyk (SK)

DISTRIBUTION
Those present, apologies and web site
1. Welcome and apologies
   The meeting was opened by AS. Apologies received were noted.

   Agenda:
   a) To discuss conversion from Group to Society
   b) 2023 events / seminars topics and dates
   c) updates to CLG website

   AS introduced JB/JG from CIBSE to help explain the details of the Conversion from Group to Society.

   AS shared the presentation from Roisin CIBSE, highlighted the difference and benefits, which included larger budget and greater level of support with activities.

   JB: must be at least Graduate (£118) or Affiliate (£147) member of CIBSE + Society membership (£0-10) to join a Society.

   DC: With the new legal requirement and Building Safety Bill – Contextualised registrar, will force the industry to register with the Engineering Council through a PEI anyway.

   GB: Seems to be for the ‘Upper Levels’. The CLG has always reached out the “Everyone”. When we had the postcards to circulate, we had about 1000 members. Evening seminars were free. Do not want too much money. We now have lost contact with the lower skill sets of the industry and need to catch the people with aspirations to become professional engineers. If there is a mechanism to allow people to join without having to pay, will be great.

   MB: Do not see the benefit of going to Society. The CLG goal has been to disseminate knowledge throughout the industry.

   CL: Am interested in the outreach and better publicity support. If society is the only way CIBSE will help, then perhaps we should. But the problem is we do not even know who our members are due to GDPR policy. CIBSE’s process is too complicated with an obsession to control.

   RP: GDPR is a policy not law. So up to CIBSE to trust us with the list or not. If society means more admin work and time, then its less time for us to focus on doing the good stuff like guides and codes. Happy to go to society but only if it means more outreach and less admin.

   JB: Need to understand where the admin burden is. Membership process and chasing invoices will be by CIBSE. The GDPR policy will apply to societies as well. Will take the comments about GDPR policies to his seniors.

   1145h: JG/JB left the discussion.

2. Minutes of previous meeting
   N/A

   All to email bullet point list of comments to AS who will discuss with Roisin.
3. **Matters arising not on agenda**  
   N/A  

4. **Lift and Escalator Symposium**  
   DC suggest all CLG Seminars to NOT be repeat of LSE presentations.

5. **Industry Training**  
   N/A

6. **Web site and database**  
   **Agenda Item c):**  
   CL shared the CIBSE website refresh is complete. CIBSE will need to approve all updates before they can be published.  
   Still no progress on the request for CIBSE to share CLG members list.  
   RP highlighted the GDPR is a CIBSE policy not law and suggested if CIBSE cannot trust the executives who are mostly Fellows and if the restrictions prove too difficult, the old “www.cibseliftsgroup.org” website is available, and we can take control of our own membership database.

7. **Treasurer’s report**  
   N/A

8. **Standards and Regulations**  
   N/A

9. **Any other business**  
   **Agenda Item b):**  
   Suggestions and dates for 2023 seminars and events.  

10. **Next meeting**  
    TBC