CIWEM Urban Drainage Group Annual General Meeting 2020

Tuesday 8 December 2020 | 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm GMT

Virtual event via Zoom

Minutes of the CIWEM Urban Drainage Group Annual General Meeting 2020

1. Attendance

Present: .

Apologies: None.

2. Welcome and introduction

- Chairman Kieran Downey (KD) addressed and opened at 12:00.

3. Minutes of previous AGM

- Minutes from 2019 AGM submitted with AGM pack for reference. Not discussed as previously agreed.

4. Matters arising since previous AGM

- None.

5. Chair's report | 2020 review

- Challenging year with majority of events cancelled due to pandemic. Some virtual events, Townhall in May, Quiz in July and Annual Conference in November, were held and had good attendance and excellent feedback. The Annual conference was converted to a 3 day digital series with 2 hour sessions each day and attracted over 700 delegates across the sessions. Feedback was extremely positive and highlighted reached new attendees and indicates that the committee should consider similar events in future.
- WaPUG Prize awarded to Killingworth and Longbenton Flood Risk Management Scheme.
- Jamie Margetts award in Urban Drainage Engineering to Jake Senior which is a bursary to support education.
- IUDG update ongoing through 2020 and expecting to be published in early 2021.

6. Honorary secretary's report

- 1000+ members of which 749 are CIWEM Members. 1257 followers on Twitter and 1565 on Linkedin.
- Breakdown of membership age showing peak between 30 and 44 and now 30% female so showing diversity in both age range and mix in membership.

7. Treasurer's report

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- 2019 Budget delivered with a £30k surplus for year which maintains the pattern of solid financial management. . 2020 budget significantly smaller given pandemic but still looking like producing a small surplus. Will be finalised during 2021 Q1.

8. 2021 Plans
   - While positive news recently on pandemic, expecting that challenges will still be with us in 2021 and therefore making plans for future events with this in mind.
   - Training Day - currently planned for 17th March and expecting to be a virtual event.
   - Spring Conference, Telford as part of wider Flood and Coastal Conference 29th June – 1 July. May be a physical event but also planning for a virtual event as required.
   - Annual Conference - planning to be Nov 9-11 in Nottingham as possible. Will revert to digital if required.

9. 2020 – 2021 committee
   - Summary of a change in structure to focus committee into specific sub-groups covering key areas with an executive strategy group. No change in membership in 2020.

10. Any other business

    Question from Kelly Smith - how does someone join the committee and is it open to student members?

    Chair responded that positions on the committee are through elections when available and that notices are issued when available. The New Members Sub-Group also provides an entry into the community and contact information was provided during the meeting to commence that.

    Summary of CIWEM HQ activities provided by Barbara Woods.

    AGM Closed at 12:35.

11. Update from CIWEM HQ
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