CIWEM urban Drainage Group

Aims and objectives
CIWEM Urban Drainage Group’s aims and objectives are aligned with CIWEM’s Royal Charter. They are to:

1. Advance the science and practice of urban drainage management for the public benefit
2. Promote education, training, study and research in urban drainage management and to publish the results of such research
3. Establish and maintain appropriate standards of competence for urban drainage management professionals

*Urban drainage management means the application of engineering, scientific, planning and analytical knowledge to the collection, treatment, control and disposal of foul and stormwater. Urban drainage management benefits society through maintaining and improving: public health, environmental water quality and levels of flood risk*

Vision
CIWEM urban drainage group sustains the excellence of people professionally engaged in urban drainage management now and for future generations. It continues the work of WaPUG which was established in 1984

Mission
Our Mission is to continuously strive to achieve our Vision through the following measures:

- We will organise a programme of conferences and workshops which enable professionals to network, share good practice, debate topical issues, socialise and receive training.
- We will organize a programme of industry facing research and development to define and promote good practice. We will share outcomes through a series of publications made available through the CIWEM website.
- We will establish, maintain and promote a competency framework to support professionals develop their careers and skills in urban drainage management
- We will advise CIWEM on all matters relating to urban drainage management and contribute to the development of policy statements and responses to Government policy consultations.
- We will build networks with similar organisations internationally through CIWEM and other bodies.
- We will be welcoming and attractive to existing and potential members, seeking to create an active and inclusive membership from all those engaged in urban drainage management.
- We will maintain a leadership committee which is representative of all UK regions and sectors of the urban drainage community.
- We will award the ‘WaPUG Prize’ to individuals or groups considered to have made an outstanding contribution in the field of urban drainage management.
- We will work closely with CIWEM’s Rivers & Coastal Group, allowing each organisation to lead in its areas of specialism but supporting collaboration in areas of common interest (as illustrated in Figure 1)
- We will work closely with CIWEM’s regional branches, offering our skills and experience to support meetings and events with an urban drainage management theme.
Figure 1