

Fumbally Exchange, Argus House, Blackpitts, Dublin 8

AGM 2020

Date: Thurs. 3rd September
Time 6.00 – 7.00pm

Venue: Virtual Meeting accessed by Zoom Link circulated to ILI Members

Honorary Secretary's Report

Tony Williams MILI Hon Secretary (2019-2020)

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1.0 Governance and Administration

ILI Administration and Association Management Services

The ILI Council agreed to retain Association Management Services Company "Happening Conferences & Events" to carry out all of the roles and responsibilities previously undertaken by the part-time administrator. The cost to the ILI of these services is equivalent to the costs associated with a part-time administrator with the added value of considerable back of house resources related to Association Management.

Council Meetings

The Council met on 14 occasions since the 2018 AGM. Facilities for online meetings are improving and this is facilitating attendance and involvement by Council members and it is hoped that this will result in more voluntary assistance for the work of the Council.

2.0 Membership Issues

Overview

Membership numbers are increasing, and this has been facilitated by several initiatives including:

- Resolution of the Viva Voce and PPILI interview processes,
- Improved response to new applicants through the Professional Practice Examination process.
- Improved response to prospective Practice applicants.

Administration and Data Management

An updated membership Database is being maintained allowing for regular contact and updates.

Recovery of Financial Arrears and Lapsed Membership

There are a number of lapsed members and the Council is keen to engage with these former members with a view to facilitate them re-joining the Institute.

Membership Growth

The outgoing Council is conscious of the vital need to continue to grow the membership. Robust arrangements are now in place to provide for the recruitment of new members.

Membership Voluntary Activity

The incoming Council will need your support and voluntary assistance as ILI members, to deliver our strategic goals actively and successfully. If you have proposals or ideas as to how you can contribute to the work of the Institute, please contact the administrator.

3.0 Events, Awards, etc.

A reduced number of events were organised since the last AGM due to the restrictions caused by the Global Pandemic.

The 2020 Awards Programme will highlight the work of our members and that of colleagues in the Landscape Institute of Northern Ireland.

Professional Practice Exams

Professional Practice Exams were successfully held in October in UCD.

Membership Review and Online Register

All Members are listed on the website under the 'find a landscape architect' tab and this will be updated in line with the newly created database of members.

4.0 External Relations - Industrial, Professional, State

The Council of the ILI continues to support the work of IFLA Europe.

3.0 Conclusions

The past year has been a challenging time particularly due to the restrictions imposed by the Global Pandemic. Notwithstanding this, the Council of the ILI is continuing to work on improving the relevance of the Institute for our members and to supporting the landscape industry. Your support for the incoming Council is essential to the success of the Institute's aims and objectives.

APPENDIX A - LOBBYING, LETTERS TO ORGANISATIONS ETC.

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