

Construction Leadership Council**Steering Co-Ordination Group****19th Meeting, Thursday 05 May 2022 15.00-16.00****CLC-SCG/No20/2022/M20 - Minutes****Attendees:**

- Ann Bentley, (Rider Levett Bucknall)
- Brian Berry, (FMB)
- Suzannah Nichol, (Build UK)
- Simon Rawlinson, (Arcadis)
- Keith Waller (CIH)
- Graham Watts (CIC)

Secretariat:

- Stuart Young, (BEIS)
- Peter Payne, (BEIS)

Apologies:

- Andy Mitchell, (Thames Tideway) – chair
- Fergus Harradence, (BEIS)
- Mark Reynolds, (Mace)

1. CLC Co-chair appointment

1.1. Stuart provided a short update on the CLC Co-Chair process and timings. Appointment panel consists of two SAG members, and officials from MoJ and DfT. BEIS is not the panel. Stuart is attending purely in a note taking/key actions capacity for feeding back to Minister Rowley.

1.2. Aiming to announce new Co-Chair week beginning 16 or 23 May.

2. Discussion Topics

2.1. Task Force – doing a good job largely, although it tends to focus on current external issues (e.g. Labour Shortages/Covid/EU Exit).

2.2. SCG - Noted there needs to be more focus on ‘tomorrow’s issues’ rather than what is happening today as the TF does. Forward-thinking/leadership is the missing piece. The SCG is not really performing this role and needs to be tied more into the strategy, feeding back to TF.

2.2.1. Role of the SCG should be to agree the CLC’s strategic direction, test it with relevant externals (SAG) and then bring it to the TF. Recognition that process is not quite working at present.

2.2.2. Observations/comments made regarding the current processes were:

- SCG: No flow-through. Doesn't seem to be any actions arising from the SCG meetings or next steps;
- SCG: The group should be looking at the forward look either quarterly or twice-yearly;
- SAG: Attendance hasn't been great. Purpose of SAG is not clear - members should have a role and be accountable. As a default they should be signed up to align to relevant CLC programmes, e.g. a CZ BC;
- Suggestion that SAG and the sector meetings are rolled together as very much the same cast list;
- Significant opportunity for incoming chair- what do we need/what would a group of senior people in the industry add.

2.3. Further questions asked about the CLC role and actions and what/where the four priorities were; Stuart clarified this. Action: Peter circulated the document link.

2.3.1. Suggested that a strong push was needed to have clarity and awareness of the deliverables for the four priorities. Recognition its reasonably clear for CZ and skills but less so for the others - particularly Building Safety together with a lack of comms on this. Graham noted this and said he'd pick it up with the team but would, in the meantime, circulate the notes of the Challenge Panel meetings.

Next Steps:

3. Group members to individually consider how the SCG could best work together in the future. The structure needed to deliver the four priorities and how the TF should operate. The point was made we might be able to reduce the market intel section of the TF discussions.

4. Noted the Group's next meeting (8 June) is scheduled for after the conclusion of the Co-Chair process. The group recognised the new co-Chair may wish to do things differently, so SCG could provide supporting advice on how TF/SCG/SAG could work moving forwards (if still in position).