BIRDCAGE WALK WORKING GROUP BULLETIN 1

Institution of MECHANICAL ENGINEERS

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A new working group has been established to provide a further layer of rigour for decisions regarding the co joined HQ buildings in Westminster, which comprise 1 and 3 Birdcage Walk and 8 12 Old Queen Street.

Financial and other impacts of all realistic options will be fully assessed. The group will then communicate these to all key groups. Taking all aspects into account they will recommend an option or way forward to the Trustee Board in the Autumn.

A schedule of meetings has commenced with two half-day sessions having taken place in May and June. Further meetings, including site tours, are scheduled for July, August, and September. Thoroughness and robustness of the recommendations coming out of this work will prevail over the target schedule.

A wide range of perspectives and expertise are provided from key people in the Institution who make up the group:

- Patrick Kniveton, Past President (Chair)
- Martin Robinson, Chair of Council and Council Leadership Committee
- Giles Hartill, Deputy President and Chair of Strategy Committee
- David Nowell, Trustee and member of RESG
- Richard McClean, Past chair of Railway Division
- Trudy Beeley, member of Audit and Risk Committee
- Paul Ballington, Council
- Christopher Simpson, Management and Manufacturing Groups
- Andrew Bainbridge, Finance Board
- Alice Bunn, CEO
- Sean Fox, Finance Director

Especially, this includes experience, spanning infrastructure and historic buildings such as ours, in the fields of finance, building and site redevelopment.

Please engage. An opportunity to discuss initial progress will occur at the Council Meeting on 21 June. You are then encouraged to discuss with your contacts and networks. There will be more bulletins and channels suggested for questions and suggestions.

Please contact us at: <u>birdcagewalk@imeche.org</u>

Patrick Kniveton

Past President (Chair)