

AGI Council Check-in call 20th August 2024

Present: Fergus Craig (Chair), Heather Enticott, Kenna Dallaway, Alan Moore, Liz Scott, Andrew Cameron, John Seabourn, Richard Flemmings

Apologies – Mark Stileman, Sam Tizzard, Denise McKenzie, Peter ter Haar, Sara Stewart, Vida Williams, Adam Burke

Agenda

1. Fergus introduced the agenda
2. Finance - Alan
 - Good position in terms of cash
 - VAT submission on time – no queries
 - YE account submitted and final copy received
 - Started looking at Mid-Year variance
 - Overall inline but some more work to be done
 - H2 – expecting increase on Compleat charges from August. Council Members to let Alan know of any other known variances.
 - Behind on membership against budget – **need to focus on new Partner members – Andrew to pick up with Partner Member Leads**
 - Agreed to increase membership costs next year – exec group to pick this up
3. Comms - Richard
 - New government blog – good response to survey. Aiming for blog to be released in September
 - CPD Comms – Cheryl and Faith keen to communicate about this more and would like to catch up with council member on this
 - Foresight report – considering updating this as was created in 2015 – significant piece of work so Richard will bring high level proposal on effort to next council meeting
 - ECN comms – ECN working group and Cheryl to discuss how best to use the existing channels
 - EO network event – actively looking for sponsors, this is a good opportunity to recruit associate members, 30 members since registration opened last Friday

- Bristol AGI networking event – Arcadis have agreed to host. TBC but expecting one or two speakers with some lightning talks. Date set week after EO network to align with Bristol tech festival

4. GeoCom - Liz

- Making good progress with speakers
- Draft programme created
- Still missing a Keynote speaker expecting more interest as people come back from summer leave
- On target to break even in terms of sponsors before ticket sales
- Food arranged – change from last year following feedback
- Evening drinks are being arranged
- Considering rebranding AGI Scotland Annual Conference in February as Geocom – **Fergus to discuss with Bruce**

5. CPD – read & queries – make a decision at next full meeting

- **Action: Council members to review Sarah's document ahead of next council meeting**

6. Partner events – GGP & 1Spatial

- AGI invited to host a stand at GGP event on 20th November – Liz Scott volunteered to represent AGI
- 1Spatial have asked AGI to host a panel session at infrastructure event in London – Vida has agreed to host this
- 1Spatial have asked for an AGI volunteer to host a panel at a utilities event in Birmingham – Richard Flemming volunteered depending on date

7. AoB

- Mark will report on GDPR at September meeting
- The Data Lab in Scotland are running a Geospatial Fringe series of events this month – [Data & AI Meetup: Geospatial Data \(Fringe Launch Event!\) | The Data Lab Community](#)
- AGI Council members for next year – if any council members will leave after 3 years term let Fergus know. Looking to co-opt a volunteer Council member as events lead for next year.