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Hello

This newsletter gives a summary of what has happened or is going to happen at SPACES in the last month. If you want up to date information, please follow us on our [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#) pages.

SPACES is a network here to help our members, if you think we can help or you need advice from any of the large range of individuals /organisations we have then please get in touch!

We are pleased to share information on our [LinkedIn page](#) from Professional Societies (eg CIBSE, CIOB, RIBA, RICS, CIC, CLC), the Government and our member organisations. If you have any information please send the link to me, [Fiona](#) (please allow 2 working days).

Regards Fiona

NB To help our members during the current time, e-newsletters may be published more frequently due to increases in information available.

SPACES Membership

From the 1st April 2019, SPACES membership rates are

Membership Type	Cost (exc VAT)
Central or Local Government (ie with a '.gov.uk' suffix' email address)	Free
For one member (Sole traders and those with employees less than 20)	£100
For up to 10 members	£500
For up to 25 members	£1000
Retired fully and Honorary members	Free

SPACES membership has become automated, and you will only be able to renew/update your membership via the [website](#).

We are in the process of cleaning the SPACES online database, so if you are Central and Local Government (ie with a '.gov.uk suffix' email address), retired and honorary membership, and those whose membership has not expired, please follow the process [here](#) asap. If your email address has changed you will need to reregister [here](#).

If your membership has expired, you can renew your membership [here](#).

Notes.

1. With group membership, you will be able to be able to nominate a group administrator who will manage the membership process and will receive automated reminders for renewal. The group administrator will be able to add the members names and emails addresses and the members will receive an automated email which will allow them to add their region, profession and communication options.
2. If you want to hear from SPACES please check the 'Opt in to receive our newsletters' box – please don't think this means you will be inundated with emails – you will only receive the monthly email of all updates, national events, and events/information that is specific to your hub and/or profession and technical enquiries. If you don't you will only be told about the AGM.

Technical Enquiries for members

SPACES has set up a Closed LinkedIn Group for members for technical enquiries. This will only be open to registered members, who have agreed to our [By-Laws](#) (for multiple member memberships the member will have had to completed the signing in process). The groups rules are:

1. Do not post anything that you wouldn't want your Chief Exec or your Mother to see.
2. Respect other members of the Group
3. What happens in the Group conversation stays in the group conversation.

4. This group is for those signed up for SPACES membership only as per our records. If you would like to be a member of this group, please follow [Fiona](#) as administrator, send her a message and she will send you an invite.

Study Day 2020

[Study Day 2020 – Save the date](#)

Due to COVID-19, the board have agreed that the Study Day will not be held in 2020, but moved to June 2021. We thank the support of our sponsors and speakers.

Next year the theme will still be [Zero Carbon and the Climate Emergency](#) and we are in discussions with De Montfort University, Leicester about holding the event there.

Yearbook and Award Submissions

[Yearbook and Awards 2020 – Submissions process closed](#)

Thank you to all those that entered projects for the Yearbook and Awards. After discussion it has been agreed by the board that there will be a joint 2020 and 2021 Yearbook and Awards Evening next year. We will shortly be announcing those that are shortlisted for both the Yearbook and the SPACES Awards (including the Civic Building of the Year).

Other Societies' Webinars and Online Trainings

[RICS](#)

RICS have announced to members of the profession that they will be making a range of digital resources & services available without charge.

[Grow Your Knowledge](#)

A new webinar series from CIBSE

Taking place every Thursday, at 11:00 (BST), this free webinar series is designed to support the CIBSE community in maintaining their CPD remotely.

Each webinar will feature a 20-45 minute presentation, ending with an interactive Q&A session.

Useful Member information – COVID-19

A summary of information related to COVID-19 can be found on our website. Including:

- [Free BSI and ISO Standards](#)

[Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government](#)

- [Remediation and COVID-19: Building Safety update](#)
- [COVID-19 and renting: guidance for landlords, tenants and local authorities](#)

[Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy](#)

- [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): letter to the construction sector](#)

[Construction Leadership Council](#)

- [Site operating Procedures](#)
- [Advice on Temporary Suspension of Sites](#)

[Construction Industry Council](#)

- [Why Sites are not closing](#)
- [Webinar – Construction in the age of COVID-19](#)

[RICS Response COVID-19](#)

Useful Member information

[Government confirms the biggest changes to building safety in a generation](#)

New measures announced include mandatory sprinkler systems and consistent wayfinding signage in all new high-rise blocks of flats over 11 metres tall.

[New SCQS President](#)

SCQS (Society of Construction and Quantity Surveyors) appointed a new President on 3 March 2020 – Kathryn Ladley BSc, FRICS, MAPM.

[Study on how lighting, acoustics and CO2 levels affect learning](#)

What has a dramatic effect on learning and behaviour? Is it teachers? The curriculum?

Interesting and engaging lessons? Or is it environment? Prof Stephen Heppell who

presented at last year's SPACES Study Day explains the link between CO2 levels, lighting and

acoustics on learning, and how he was subsequently invited into Fingringhoe Primary School, in Essex to carry out tests. [Greg Keeling](#) will be providing an update on this at the SPACES AGM and Technical Meeting in October.

[Technical Memorandum 40: Health and wellbeing in building services.](#)

CIBSE has updated its Technical Memorandum 40: Health and wellbeing in building services.

[28 built environment professional bodies jointly pledge to tackle climate change](#)

Twenty five built environment professional bodies in membership of the Construction Industry Council together with the UK Green Building Council, the Edge and the University College of Estate Management have joint pledged to work together to tackle climate change.

Please see [March 2020](#) edition of the SPACES E-newsletter for more information.

Consultations

[Heat networks: Building a market framework](#)

The Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy is seeking views on policy options for the development of a regulatory framework for heat networks to protect consumers, support market growth and develop low carbon networks.

In order to achieve net-zero carbon emissions by 2050, nearly all heat in buildings will need to be decarbonised. Heat networks are a crucial aspect of the path towards decarbonising heat.

In this consultation, they are seeking views on policy options for regulating heat networks to protect consumers and ensure fair pricing, while supporting market growth and the development of low-carbon networks.

For more information and to respond see [website](#)

Deadline

1st May 2020.

[Review of the ban on the use of combustible materials in and on the external walls of buildings](#)

The Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government is seeking views on the ban of the use of combustible materials in and on external walls of buildings, including building types covered, height threshold, list of exemptions, attachments such as blinds, shutters and awnings, and a proposal to specifically ban the use of metal composite panels in and on the external walls of all buildings.

For further information and to respond see [website](#).

Deadline

13th April 2020.

New ways of working

Are you or do you know some-one who could be involved more with running SPACES? We are reviewing the way we run the society, organise events and keep in touch with members and need support from a wider range of people.

If you have any skills in the following areas and would be willing to contribute then please get in touch:

- Events management
- Web-site updating
- Financial planning (overview)
- Financial management (day to day)
- Communication and networking with members

It could just be a few hours a week or month and some roles could offer remuneration. If you are interested then please e-mail [Andrew Rowe](#), President or Telephone 01473 316 590,

Social Media

You can find up to date news on SPACES and its events at the following locations:

Website – <https://thespaces.org.uk/news/>

LinkedIn –

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/spacesocietyforpublicarchitectureconstructionengineeringandsurveying/>

Twitter – <https://twitter.com/spacesnetwork>

This is also where Fiona will put notifications of SCOSS, consultations, useful information etc that may be of use to members (and then they will be summarised in the monthly e-newsletter – and won't clog up your inbox 😊).

ACA Meetings and news



Information on ACA events can be found on the [website](#) or email , please em

If you no longer wish to receive emails from SPACES, then please email [Fiona](#).