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Word from our Chair.

Greetings from Jo Saady. Here to promote South East IHBC members and encouraging us all to come together post pandemic for CPD, stimulating debate and socialising! I just adore heritage and feel passionately about its important role in our future.

It's been a long time since we all properly came together and I for one have missed this social interaction as our Branch meetings are still online currently.

That's why I am so excited about our upcoming FREE Branch Reconnection Day in Lewes Saturday 9th July, which is intended to make up for all those postponed in-person events. FREE lunch, CPD talks and discussion panels on what you want from IHBC. I personally want to see greater support for our Conservation Champions in LA's and greater networking will enable this. What do you feel strongly about? Do you feel all UPVC windows in Conservation Areas should be banned?!

We've been making up for lost time with our busy buzzing branch running two recent CPD events this year alone, after Last October's superb Day School in Hastings.

Also check out upcoming Sat 11th June exciting joint event with IHBC and Urban Design Group 'A practical test of the 15 minutes place and trial of Appraisal systems'.

Later in the year events include the Regency Town House and at Ramsgate an exciting IHBC promotional event to encourage new members to join and spread the word about the incredible work IHBC members do championing heritage in modern society.

Any questions do email me, details in this Newsletter, opt in to receive local news or check us out on the IHBC website https://ihbc.org.uk/branches/s_east/index.html

Branch connection day - Lewes

Saturday 9th July (In person event only).

Linklater Pavilion, Railway Lane, Lewes BN7 2FG,

This lovely venue is a perfect example of repopulating brownfield land, where the railroad used to run and we have hired it for the full day, specifically chosen on a Saturday to allow Local Authorities members to attend.

FREE CPD LUNCH and TOURS OF HISTORIC LEWES BUILDINGS

IHBC committee have hired the building, placed in the centre of Lewes by the river for this relaxed and inspiring day, exact details and bookings via Eventbrite soon to be available.

We are open for members from 10:30 for an 11am start. FREE lunch included with refreshments during the day.

Our keynote speaker is Richard Morrice, ex HE Buildings Inspector and responsible for tranche of listings in the 1980's. His talk 'Antics of a Historic England Building Inspector' promises to be very entertaining. This will be followed by a discussion panel along the lines of 'What members want from the IHBC'. Meet your Committee members, this is your chance to learn what's been happening in the IHBC since lockdown, and our work towards Chartered Status. A chance to raise issues that are important to you!

This is also intended as our postponed Xmas meal so promises to be a truly enjoyable event!



Culture, Community and candy-floss. IHBC Day School and AGM 15 OCT 2021

Seaside Towns: The Hastings Approach to revitalising historic coastal towns

This informative day started with talks from a high level over view on the HAZ in Hastings and then followed with examples of successful projects on the ground with work undergoing by local champions. A hugely filling lunch provided by The His Place Community Church was followed by walking tours around the HAZ triangle, and old Hastings where we learnt how the pandemic had affected the town and what work was being undertaken to move forward.



Brookings Museum of Architectural Detail IHBC Site Visit 22 April

This inspiring visit to see the Charles Brookings Collection must be run again, as it sold out in minutes! Charles Brookings has been collecting artefacts from historic buildings that were being altered or demolished since he was 6 years old, and now has a collection of thousands of different styles, shapes and ages with an extensive research library, he lectures on the subject extensively. Fascinating examples included a window from St Paul's Cathedral and doorway from a Georgian Grade II building tragically lost to HS2. This event was followed by lunch at a local pub, always a keen thumbs up from IHBC members!



Brookwood Cemetery IHBC Site Visit 17th May



We had such an interesting and fascinating visit to Brookwood, a spacious beautiful 2268 acres the largest cemetery in UK, a Grade I Historic Park and Garden, where Zaha Hadid is buried among many notables. On our day the weather was kind, we saw deer among the trees, the biscuits were plentiful and Kim Lowe of the Brookward Cemetery Society had so many stories to flesh the visit out. The tour over ran by an hour and we still needed more!

Sally Strachey's company did the conservation of Colquhoun Chapel which recently was shortlisted for a Surrey Heritage Award. It turned out having a small group worked really well as we all got to talk to each other.

There were many network contacts made over quite a variety of subjects and a few of us agreed to see if there was any advice/help that might be given to The Brookwood Cemetery Society in future to assist their valuable conservation work.

Kim Lowe giving us the incredible history of this plot and how different costs pertained to First or Second and even Pauper class type burials which had no head stones at all.



UPCOMING IHBC CPD EVENTS

Saturday 11th June - Joint Urban Design group and IHBC event.

Hastings-St Leonards on Sea – Study Visit. Is St Leonards on Sea the 15-minute place to be?!

A practical test of the 15-minute place and a trial of a range of appraisal systems

11.00 Goat Ledge – seafront café <https://www.goatledge.com/>

Part 1 – Guided tour of Burtons’ St Leonards – “Regent’s Park on Sea”.

Burtons’ St Leonards – so called because of the involvement of the Burtons

John Burton – builder, developer, architect and urban designer, noted for his work in Bloomsbury, his collaboration with John Nash at Regent’s Park, and then moving on to a brand-new project at St Leonards based on his experience there.

Decimus Burton – architect, town planner, urban designer – responsible for schemes in Fleetwood, Lancashire, Tunbridge Wells, and St Leonards on Sea, as well as notable parks, such as Hyde Park, Kew Gardens, and London Zoo.

We will reflect on how the area is functioning in the 21st century.

Lunch

Part 2 - A walk around, appraisal, and assessment of St Leonards on Sea as a 15-minute place using a range of tools. Each participant will be given assessment materials to fill in.

- 15 Minute Journey Purpose Checklist
- Building for a Healthy Life
- Jane Jacobs/Jan Gehl
- National Planning Policy Framework S130 + National Design Guide
- Place check
- Building Design

Sit down get-together to discuss findings of walk around.

Part 3 – Is St Leonards a model for the 15-minute city – creating a design code following the National Model Design Code guidance.

Part 4 – Evening walk around Hastings including the Old Town and the Stade with possibility of evening meal

The word stade is a Saxon term meaning landing place. Hastings is home to Europe’s biggest fleet of beach launched fishing boats

Brighton Regency Town House September 30th IHBC CPD event.



We are looking forward to a tour of the house in the morning, learning about the conservation ethics and issues around what work has taken place in the house, looking at the social story that this tells. This house is a museum but looks at what happened with phone or social activities, how people lived in this era. This immensely interesting project is run by Nick Tyson who will be leading us.

Our IHBC visit will focus on the architectural side of this followed by lunch and a walking tour of the local Conservation Area Brunswick Town. Watch out for more details to buy tickets!

New Committee Members on board

Joao Ricardo Lopes – Acting Vice Chair

Joao is a dedicated and passionate Accredited Conservation Architect with 20 years in experience, like all IHBC members he is strongly committed to the principles of quality and sensitive preservation of the built heritage in all its forms and shapes. He has worked with Historic England and the Listed Buildings Advisory Committee for The Church Buildings Council among others in public and private projects. He runs his own practice, JaM - Design & Architecture, and believes that one is able to adequately enhance the character and purpose of each individual place by carefully studying and listening to its heritage context and applying an efficient and sympathetic approach to its historic fabric. A model approach some developers could learn from!

Stephen Gray – Acting Membership officer (That's him to the right!)



Your committee members:

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Further photos from the Brooking Collection tour, 22nd April 2022.