

## 1. Welcome, present and apologies

- 1.1. Present: **Andy, Jeremy, Paul, Fred, Lauren, Neil, John, Jonathan, and Mike**
- 1.2. Apologies: Rob, and Lauren
- 1.3. Mike agreed to take and circulate notes of the meeting.

### **Actions:**

- Mike to meet with Jeremy as a handover for Branch and Membership secretary

## 2. Actions from previous meeting

- 2.1. The actions had all been covered.

## 3. Update on BCS in Wales

- 3.1. Dan Aldridge had to cancel the update at short notice.

### **Actions:**

- Andy to contact and rearrange any future meetings.

## 4. Update from Branch Chair

- 4.1. BCS Organisation Membership see [site](#).
- 4.2. Welsh Senedd Shaping Wales Future consolation paper [link](#).
- 4.2.1. Jeremy has agreed to manage the Events Schedule for the next 12 months.

### **Actions:** N/A

## 5. Update from Mid-Wales Branch Chair

- 5.1. Fred updated us on the recent Mid-Wales AGM and Presentation from the 4<sup>th</sup> of October '[Computing in cold places](#)'.

### **Actions:** N/A

## 6. Update from Branch Treasurer

- 6.1. As this was the first meeting since Jonathon had taken over, he wasn't able to provide an update.
- 6.2. Paul asked if we could support the DVLA Coding prize again in 2022. Everyone agreed it we should. Andy agreed to fund the prize.
- 6.3. Paul asked this we had a topic for next year's competition.

### **Actions:**

- Andy to connect Mandy from HQ and Jonathon as the new treasure.
- Phil to handover to Jonathan as the new Treasure.
- Paul to update the DVLA that we would support their coding prize.
- All to consider if we can suggest a topic for the next DVLA prize.

### 7. Update on Early Careers and Equality & Diversity Liaison

- 7.1. Andy provided and updated from Lauren's email, on the decision and progress of school and university presentation. Owing to the tight deadlines, the current situation in Wales with covid it was decided to delay this until September 2022, which aligns with the Oxbridge university application dates. As well as, giving us more time to prepare the event during the first half of 2022.
- 7.2. To allow us to progress we will need contact details for the following universities:
- University of South Wales (USW), contact TBC
  - Aber Comp studies, contact TBC
  - Future generations teams
- 7.3. The student chapter for USW, could be progressed in the next few weeks, if Lauren was able to engage with the new leader of the chapter.

**Actions:**

- Fred to chase for contact details for Lauren at the HE conference.
- John to provide Lauren with the contact details for Hannah Jones at BSC HQ.
- Andy to connect Lauren and the new USW student chapter lead.

### 8. Update from STEM Outreach Working Group

- 8.1. Paul.

**Actions:**

- Mike to contact the STEM team in Welsh Water, and pass on Paul's contact details.

### 9. Update from Events Coordinator

#### 9.1. Overall Plan

- 9.1.1. December Claire from USW may be available in December, with possible dates of the 7, 8 or 9.
- 9.1.2. The team discussed our participation in the next Cardiff Science Festival, and if this would be in person or via video and topic.

### 10. Update from Events Coordinator

- 10.1. Andy asked if anyone was able to deliver a presentation for December, which is now free, owing to agreeing to delay the schools and universities session, (please see later for the details).
- 10.2. Fred suggested a joint presentation in December with the Mid Wales branch, which is with Professor Tiddeman.
- 10.3. Neil confirmed he'd received consent to provide a cyber security presentation, it was agreed this could be in the new year.
- 10.4. Mike mentioned that the BCS Enterprise Architecture specialist group, has asked for universities to present to them, and that they are open to a joint presentation with other BCS groups.

#### **Actions:**

- Andy to provide a link to the corporate membership site.
- Fred to provide Jeremy with the information for the joint event so that Eventbrite can be updated.
- Jeremy to update the event calendar, and distribute to all.

Mike mentioned that at a recent BCS Enterprise Architecture group, they were looking for universities to present at one of their future meetings, or have a joint meeting with another group or branch.

#### **Actions:**

- Andy too, agree dates with Claire,
- Jan Neil S Cyber.
- Paul Cardiff science

### 11. Other Events

- 11.1. Lauren mentioned that she had a contact in the Future Generations Wales team and would share contact details with Rob given his interest in running an event on green IT which used the FGWA as a perspective.

#### **Actions:**

- Lauren to provide the FGW team to Rob

### 12. Any Other Business

- 12.1. BCS Community Consultation on Branch's, chapters, and Sections
- 12.2. Jeremy asked if this committee intended to nominate someone for the National XXX. Given his other commitments Andy wasn't able to XXX. It was decided we may nominate someone next year.

### **Actions:**

Mike to consolidate the responses from the branch members

### 12.3. Other Business

12.3.1. Andy agreed to send round the latest details of corporate membership to the committee so that members could pursue this with their employers.

### 12.4. AGM Talk

Tom Crick had recently been interviewed ... see

<https://archivesit.org.uk/interviews/professor-tom-crick-mbe/>

## 13. Date of Next Meeting

13.1. After the AGM, the next meeting's date was confirmed as 1 December 2021. **Andy** agreed to set up a Zoom meeting.

## 14. Resources

- Member data dashboard [Microsoft Power BI](#)
- Branch [basecamp](#)
- Branch [website](#)
- Branch [linkedin](#)
- AGM [Video](#)