

Landscape SIG

26 June 2026, 10AM-11PM

Online - Teams

Minutes

Present:

- David Astbury - DA
- Brandon Braun (secretary) - BB
- Kat Hopwood-Lewis - KHL
- Sam Turner (chair) - ST
- Meike Van Lit (vice chair) - MVL

Agenda Point		Action (Initials)
1.	Apologies Ian Houlston (IH), Tori Park (VT), Abi Tompkins (AT), Janine Young (JY)	
2.	Minutes of the previous meeting - Accepted without changes	
3.	Matters arising Early Careers (EC) collaboration – MVL hasn't heard back, so will follow up. KHL notes there's a planned EC contribution for TA takeover. Research and Impact (RIG) collaboration – BB was contacted again, RIG will get back after their meeting. Nature Culture Network (NCN) – KHL in touch with NCN regarding a collaboration. Will report back with updates.	MVL BB KHL
4.	Events Tea break talks Noted full schedule for the rest of 2026, and that there seems to be consistent interest. MVT updates that EC won't do January 2027 slot. In-person event with Buildings SIG – ST updates Had to postpone (to September?). Will update end of July. Brief discussion on budget (e.g., can we provide sandwiches if attendees will pay a fee?)	ST will update when plans finalised

	AGM Reflections on AGM and growth of membership. Note to hold next AGM on a non-Friday and to be aware of possible conflicts with other meetings.	
5.	The Archaeologist takeover – KHL update - Going well. - Now on a planned summer hiatus. - As of now, we've got enough contributions, so we won't need a broader call for papers - Asking for draft content by end of August DA updates on survey for word cloud: - about 3 more weeks to run. - 17 responses received, mostly from archaeologists or landscape professionals. Noted that this is a pretty good response, but would like to get a few more (possibly from 'landscape enthusiasts', or those who aren't professional archaeologists or landscape professionals) - Committee will share with contacts. DA will ask ClfA to send link out over email.	DA
6.	Communications – no updates	
7.	Enhancing ClfA Standards and Guidance General discussion on the usefulness - There are some gaps in standards and guidance (e.g., for those working in national bodies or outside of planning) - There can be difficulty in dealing with conflicts/breaches if there's no guidance. - Some concern that standards and guidance leads to bare minimum compliance. Committee response and/or focus group attendance - DA may have availability to attend focus group - Rest of committee will feed into response document. DA to re-circulate email to rest of committee, to send to ClfA by 10 July	DA

8.	AOB LSIG annual group report due end of July. BB will draft and circulate for comments. BB co-edited book, recently published open access by ArchaeoPress The Future by the Sea: Engaging with Maritime Archaeological Research during the Climate Emergency https://www.archaeopress.com/Archaeopress/Products/9781805832942 MVL to share on socials	BB MVL
8.	Date of next committee meeting and future events Next committee meeting: - 14 or 21 September 2026 - 14 December 2026 or 11, 18, 25 January 2027 Next lunchtime talk: - 15 July 2026 - 16 September 2026 - 11 November 2026	BB will send out poll