

Offsite Management School Partners Meeting

Tuesday 12th June, Laing O'Rourke premises



Attendees: Ian Heptonstall (Action Sustainability), Ken Davie (Carillion), Ursula Cooper (Action Sustainability), Steve Cook (Willmott Dixon), Niraj Mistry (Stroma) Geoff Fawkes (McAvoy), Tim Hall (Buildoffsite), Alan Clucas (Laing O'Rourke), Stuart Oakes (Stroma), Ben Lever (CITB), James Cowell (Elliot Group)

Apologies: John Browne (United Utilities), Steve Fozard (Costain), David Merchant (NG Bailey), Gary Peters (Skanska), Paul Cleminson (BAM)

1. Introductions

Ian reported that Gary Peters had stepped down as Chair of the group and asked for volunteers to Chair the group going forward.

Actions:

- ✓ Let Ina know if you would like to Chair the group

2. Operational Update – 5 minutes

IH gives an overview of the operational update, which presents that we will have surpassed all targets for this quarter. There was a request for contractor partners to host supply chain events similar to the one hosted in the morning by Laing O'Rourke with 76 attendees.

3. Standard for Modular Systems for Dwellings – Input (*see attached*) 50 minutes

As part of an AMSCI funded project: Advanced Manufacture of Housing and Built Infrastructure (AMHBI), BRE has developed BPS 7014 in support of fostering market uptake of high quality offsite construction systems and components, as well as encouraging export of UK offsite products and systems. The working draft is currently titled: 'Standard for Modular Systems for Dwellings'. The target date for publication of BPS 7014 and launch of the linked Certification Scheme is September 2018. In preparation for publication the working draft needs to be peer reviewed externally by senior sector experts. Our meeting is an important opportunity for us to input into this document.

Agreed:

- There needs to be an alignment of existing offsite standards
- It was agreed that Build Offsite technical expert was best placed to provide the detailed input, but others wanting to provide feedback should contact Mike directly.

Actions:

- ✓ If group would like to feedback, please contact Mike Perry Mike.Perry@bre.co.uk by Friday 6th July
- ✓ SC will send MP an email to pick up separately
- ✓ AC liaising with his internal colleagues who are already inputting
- ✓ Supply Chain School sustainability colleagues to consider sitting on the sustainability sub-group

4. BIM competency – what do main contractors require? (*see our maturity matrix attached*) 15 minutes

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Niraj Mistry from the UK BIM Alliance and Stroma is working to develop BIM competencies for various job functions. He is keen to explain the work he is doing for the UK BIM Alliance and to gain your direction for the work.

Actions:

- ✓ Group to feedback to NM on what the areas of consideration on Offsite should be
- ✓ NM and BL to liaise directly on the work CITB are doing with regard to BIM and professional qualifications

5. Offsite skills development – opportunity to input in CITB commissioning paper (see attached document) 50 minutes

Ben Lever of CITB presented a briefing paper to encourage the upskilling of training in Offsite delivery. This is very much a work in progress paper and NOT to be CIRCULATED outside of this group. The paper seeks to address a key problem we have identified around the availability of quality training in this area.

Agreed:

- The industry needs more trainer capacity. Currently there is a lack of experienced people in all functions who can explain what steps need to be taken to move from, “we want to develop an offsite strategy” to “we are delivering offsite”
- We need to map who needs to know what
- We need to include procurement and cost management rather than estimating
- Whilst out of scope for CITB, lean manufacturing skills need to be taught

Actions for BL to take back:

- ✓ Include procurement
- ✓ Look at the word ‘estimating’
- ✓ Operation and maintenance
- ✓ Please could the group email BL in a week’s time (20/06) with any additional feedback

6. Offsite Apprentice Trailblazer

AC gives an overview of the Trailblazer project and asks the group for feedback and invites them to join the group if they are keen to get involved.

Actions:

- ✓ Email AC if you would like more information.
- ✓ AC will send pack to IH to send to Offsite Steering group.

7. AOB – None was reported

Next meeting

19th September (11am to 1pm) @ Georg Fischer, Paradise Way, Coventry CV2 2ST