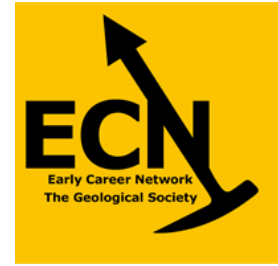


# EARLY CAREER NETWORK

## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES



Date: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September (18:00)

Location: via Microsoft Teams

Present: Matt Sharp, Simon Groom, Harriet Warnock, Alex Christopher, Dan Hope,  
Huw Richards, Matthew Johnson

Apologies: Ayesha Landon-Browne

### 1) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

MS Thanks to Matt and Serdar for their terms.

Action – public thanks of service when advertising for new positions.

MS Two new committee members ASAP. New terms are nearly finalised.

*MS leaves meeting. DH chairs remaining meeting.*

### 2) 2023 - Recap

- DH: Otto Karhunen winner.
- AC: £100 voucher and trophy to EC Award winner. Also provided thank-you gifts to judges.

### 3) ECN COMMITTEE 2023-2026

- DH: Decision to keep it as 2 new members, or possibly increase the number of people coming in.
- AC/SG: Target younger geoscientists for the committee with a lighter industrial commitment.
- SG: Use Christmas event to draw in younger audience?

*HR joins meeting*

- HR: Open to a student committee membership. Advise that they would be expected to take on a more senior role.

### 4) UPCOMING EVENTS & COMMITTEE ADVERTISEMENTS

- Christmas Social? Task Force: AC, DH, SG. Activity e.g. flight club/puttshack etc.
- Committee Advertisements – Task Force: HR, MJ, HW, A L.B.
- Geological Society Careers Day – Burlington House, 1<sup>st</sup> November. DH attending, AC attending – unsure if as ECN, HR – if in UK, will attend.
- GIS For Geologists – HR: an option for discounted ECN members? All – yes please.

## 5) FINANCES (AC)

Alex to update via an email once GSL query is resolved.

## 6) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Harriet – working on schedule for the ICE at the moment – offer for a collaborative talk partnered with the GSL. Geology and Geotechnics in Belfast – hybrid event.  
**Harriet to share.**
- Huw – Date for EC Award 2024? AC – Award as part of Presidents Day requested by GSL but ECN have not followed up.
- Pencilled date for mid-May 2024.

*AC: Email chain to chase up on. Confirm the situation for the EC Award.*

*HW + MJ: contact the regional groups to get the ball rolling with heats and make sure we have up-to-date contact lists.*

- HR – either collaborate with Presidents Day or the School’s event? Check if Presidents Day includes the “competition”.
- SG – Doesn’t think our 2 hours of competition would fit with President’s day.
- President’s day – what are the presentations like? Could add the EC Award winner presentation in. When is President’s Day?
- SG First 2-hours is “official” geol-soc business, then series of talks ~8 awards. Given to academics, typically.
- DH – Run the EC Award final as normal, then take the EC Winner to Presidents Day for the EC Winner Presentation & present the personalised trophy. General agreement.

## 7) DATE & AGENDA OF NEXT MEETING

Approval of new terms of reference

Approval and welcome of new committee members, including a new vice chair, treasurer, and possibly secretary.

Update on November/December event.

**DH/AC/MS to invite the Geol Soc to next meeting.**

Anticipated Next Meeting Date – October 2023. WhatsApp Poll to Follow.

End Meeting at 18:45