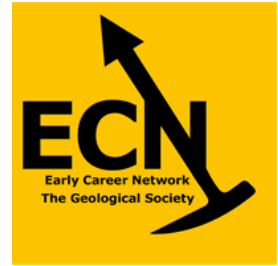


# EARLY CAREER NETWORK

## COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES



**Date:** Tuesday, 05 November 2024 (17:00 GMT)  
**Location:** via Microsoft Teams

**Present:** Jocelyn Barker (Vice-Chair), Jean-Jaques Ferguson (Secretary), Awei Mabi, Rachael Sims (External Group Liaison); Ellen Mularkey (External Group Liaison), Alex Christopher, Simon Groom.

**Apologies:** Dan Hope (Chair), Ayesha Landon-Browne, Harriet Warnock, Will Downes (Treasurer)

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- 1) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING – Summary & Actions Arising
  - Upcoming Events Discussion: Action list and subgroup discussion
    - i. FAQ Webinar - comments and edits welcome
    - ii. Geological Society Careers Fair (Wed 6 Nov) - DH attending
    - iii. ECN Award - sub group created with action list
      - Award to be purchased - SG
      - To check dates and timings
    - iv. ECN Conference - half day / full day style event suggested.
      - EM/RS to raise at next P&C Committee Meeting
    - v. Winter Social in London - AC, WD, EM
    - vi. ICE EC Ireland Collab
    - vii. EGGs/Contam/Hydro/ECN Collab - Publishing Event (Jan 2025) (DH) - Keeps getting pushed back, to stay close to
  - Treasurer update given: request made to GSL to increase annual budget to £1250
  - Committee tasks and working groups decided
- 2) GSL UPDATE FROM 10/10/2024 (DH)
  - DH had brief call with Ayesha and Amelia
  - They want us to run an early-career geologist conference - and would be the first time it runs - as this is a departure from the original plans (ECN supporting GSL) this would be substantially more work.
  - Career's day, will be interesting, not many sponsors - **DH to update**
  - Eleanor Williams - some sort of survey to get an engagement
    - i. create survey / mailing list / SM output. **JB to take point**
  - Pencilled in date for EC Geo award.
- 3) EVENT SUMMARY - PUBLIC LECTURE (JB)
  - Went really well, one of the best attended ones of the year.
  - In the room, a mix of ages, GSL said they had a younger crowd than they normally do.

- Aileen is great, happy to work further with the ECN.
- GeolSoc are keen to want us to fill another slot next year for a similar time as an ECN-themed lecture.

#### 4) UPCOMING EVENTS

- Early Career Geo Award - FAQ Webinar (Oct/Nov)
  - i. Reviewed by several team members, thanks!
  - ii. Cost of entering added by JB
  - iii. Original idea was to be held by webinar - does it need to be slides? Can we just publish the document?
  - iv. Final review to be done and uploaded onto website as well as shared on SM and sent around to RGs. **JJF to review, JB to send**
- Geological Society Careers Fair (Wed 6 Nov) (DH)
  - i. DH to go solo - collected material from Burlington house today.
  - ii. Good chance to speak to prospective sponsors for the award. **DH to follow-up**
- Early Career Geologist Award (May 2025)
  - i. Date pencilled in for 28th May - **JB to confirm with GSL**
  - ii. Updates to all documentation (rules, promotional materials) to be completed asap - **JB**
  - iii. Details, including dates, shared to Regional Groups by End of Nov, including rules and FAQs, with further details to be shared in Jan - **JB to send and RS/EM to provide RG emails**
  - iv. Simon - Trophy bought! Fuschite to arrive this week.
  - v. Timings - evening network event, post-1730 would be great for londoners, but would make it too late for londoners to go home
  - vi. Sponsorships - **DH to review and check before Christmas**, general sub-250, 2-3x sponsors would be ideal. **DH to check at GSL Career's Day.**
- Early Career Geologist Conference
  - i. Attendance vs. feasibility vs. cost vs. sponsorships - may make it difficult as an event for the ECN to design and run (see above).
- Early Career Network - Winter/Festive Social - London (AC,WD,EM)
  - i. Dates chosen by committee on WhatsApp.
  - ii. **EM to distribute details**
- ICE EC Ireland - Collab (HW)
  - i. No new updates.
- EGGs/Contam/Hydro/ECN Collab - Publishing Event (Jan 2025) (DH)
  - i. No new updates.
- YMP (Young Mining Professionals) Collaborative event (AC,JJF)
  - i. YMP events team decided for some more technical-leaning talks after a recent run of corporate-focused discussions.
  - ii. Alex given some free reign to try and contact with technical focused teams.
  - iii. YMP has good connections with venues and experience in event organisation.

- iv. Current idea is several speakers. Last year was a mining symposium - great success but a lot of work.
- v. **AC and JJF to review / brainstorm**

5) TREASURER UPDATE / FINANCE

- 400 left before winter drinks, question posed to attendees: anything particular worth spending?
  - i. potential to spend c. 150 on merch leaving 250 for winter social.
- **RS to put merch ideas into chat for committee to vote**
- **JJF to get quote for grain-size cards**

6) COMMITTEE TASKS / EVENT TEAM ASSIGNMENTS

- Dan, Joss & JJF - Emails and Comms (inc. website)
- Alex & Dan - Sponsorship
- Joss & Rachael - Merch
- Ayesha, Awei & Ellen - Publishing event support (contam/hydro spec groups)
- Harriet & Dan - ICE & EGGS Collab
- Simon & Will - EC Geo Award Trophy (by End of Nov 2024)
- Alex & Ellen - ECN "Winter Drinks" Social
- JJF & Alex - Minerals and/or Economics event / webinar - collab?
- Will, Joss & Ellen - EC Geo Awards Leads
- Dan, Alex, Will - Budget for 2025

7) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Newsletters
  - i. Potentially something to try and look at, quarterly
  - ii. Newsletter
- Last meeting before holiday period, have a good break and see you in Jan!

8) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- pencilled 14th January 2025, poll to be circulated closer to the time.