

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Landscape Institute South East  
Branch held 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
*Held at RHS Wisley*

Present: 40 members. Apologies: None received

**AGM Minutes**

**Item 1 To approve the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Apr 2018**

The Minutes were Proposed: Louise Ward and Seconded: Tim Dyer. The meeting approved the minutes as an accurate record of the meeting.

**Item 2 Chair's Report, Akash Wadhawan**

The Chair reported on key successes over the last year and opportunities for the year ahead. Last year we were pleased to collaborate with other professional bodies to organise the following events like - talk by John Hearn titled 'Contextual Design' co-hosted with *RTPI South East* and 'A Fresh Approach to School Landscapes' with *Hampshire and Isle of Wight Local Government Landscape Group* with speakers from HCC Landscape Team and Learning with Landscapes who shared recent best practise case studies. We also organised a site visit with LI London to Elephant Park at E&C London, enabled with the help of the Landscape Manager at Lend Lease.

This year we supported some members in Canterbury to organise an evening networking event. We would love to organise similar events in other parts of the region, but need your ideas and support from local members to run these. So if you would like to see similar events in your area, please talk to us.

**Item 3 Treasurer's Report, Tim Dyer**

Tim gave a short report on the branch finances and provided a summary of major expenses. Overall LISE's income for the financial year 2018/19 was £722 and outgoings were £1,270.

**Item 4 Branch Representative Report, Louise Ward**

Louise explained the work of a Branch Representative, who is the voice of local members to the leadership of the Landscape Institute.

**Item 5 Election of Branch Committee**

The new committee were elected as follows:

1	Chair	Akash Wadhawan (continuing)
2	Secretary	Claire Uden
3	Treasurer	Tim Dyer (continuing)
4	Council Representative	Louise Ward (continuing)
5	Committee Member	Alice Harwood
6	Committee Member	Helen Palmer
7	Committee Member	Ruth Shelton

8	Committee Member	Laura Cox
9	Committee Member	Hannah Glanvill

**CLOSE** There being no other business the main meeting closed at **1100 Hrs.**

**Item 6 Spring Event**

Talks followed by Alistair Bayford (Operations Director Idverde) and Dan Cook (LI CEO), followed by lunch.

Alistair explained the work of idVerde and spoke about his upcoming Family Monsters Garden at RHS Chelsea. (NB. Alistair's Garden won the Gold Medal and Best Artisan Garden).

Dan talked about the upcoming new initiatives from the LI.

**Item 7 Wisley Guided Tour**

Ben Brace (Horticulture Manager RHS Wisely) led a tour explaining the new projects. We wish to put on record our thanks to Ben Brace for enabling this event and all the practical help. For each attendee, we are donating £5 towards soon to be opening National Centre for Horticultural Science and Learning.