

Minutes of the seventy eighth meeting of the Lighting Column Technical Forum held by video conference on Thursday 29th July 2021 commencing at 10.30 am.

Present:

David Gundry ~ Aluminium Lighting Company Ltd

David Lodge ~ CU Phosco Lighting

Matthew Wass ~ Fabrikat (Nottingham) Ltd) Acting Chairman

Melvin Batty ~ Fabrikat (Nottingham) Ltd)
Matt Bullars ~ Fabrikat (Nottingham) Ltd)

Neill Curran ~ Mallatite Ltd

Adam Evans ~ Dacrylate Paints Ltd

Alan Jenvey ~ Secretary

Action

78.1 Apologies

Apologies for absence have been received from Phil Cordin, Chairman, Ben Hiscott of Aluminium Lighting Company Ltd, Dylan Attenborough of Mallatite, Anish Samani and Jeffrey Henderson of Valmont Stainton Ltd, Graham Smith of HEA.

78.2 Minutes

78.2.1 The minutes of the 77th meeting held 29th April 2021 and circulated on 10th May 2021 were reviewed.

The minutes were then accepted by those present.

78.3 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising not covered by the agenda.

78.4 Membership

There is no progress to report on getting users to attend the meeting.

A.J.J

78.4.1 QA and CE Certification lists are up to date. The QA Summary sheet reflecting all the members certification, ISO 9001, CE, EMS, EN12899-1 and EN1090-1 is available on the Web site where the latest member QA and CE certificates can also be seen.

A.J.J

78.4.2 There are no changes proposed for the Constitution or Schedules at this time.

AJJ

78.4.3 Application for LCTF Membership from Revaco Trading and Consultancy.

This seems to be a new company registered in the UK intending to import products from Turkey. The enquiry was received via our Contact page on the LCTF web site. Should we offer Associate Membership as per suggestion for ARTSM in item 78.8.3 below? After some discussion it was felt Associate Membership was not appropriate.



It was agreed the secretary should write to them asking for details of current operations and future intentions with a view to putting this to the members at the October meeting. Any subsequent invitation for membership would start 01/01/22.

A.J.J

78.5 Finance

78.5.1 Current Position: – The quarterly statement as of 30th June 2021 was circulated to the members on 14/07/21 indicating £ in the bank with liabilities of to pay. (Secretary) The bank account balances at the end of the last quarter are £ and for the current and savings accounts respectively.

There have been no CEN expenses incurred in the current year to date. DGL was of the view that going forward most meetings would be virtual with perhaps one face to face meeting per year.

The secretary pointed out that there have been no ILP expenses this year but going forward this needs to be discussed and agreed with the ILP as it is our intention to have a least one meeting at ILP Rugby, preferably the AGM.

AJJ

78.6 Publicity/Promotion

78.6.1 For the 3 months of April to June the hits for the web site averaged 18369 per month with Ukraine and Russia having the greatest number of hits. Activity is about 27% up on the last quarter. The PDF documents are regularly downloaded with the CE marking document being the most downloaded. Changes continue to the home page photograph and QA certification as the need arises. All member Certification on the Web site is up to date.

MW asked if the CE document needs to be updated. DGL agreed it does need to be updated and after some discussion MW agreed to look at this task.

MW

MW asked if the reach of the LCTF could be improved by having a Twitter page. After some discussion it was felt this is perhaps not the best option due to administration issues and that Linkedin would be a better.

78.7 Highways England

78.7.1 Specification for Highway Works (SHW)
Awaiting the deliberation of Jim Gallagher regarding Series 1300.

DGL/MW

78.7.2 HE Painting Schemes

Series 1900, MW raised queries regarding finishes G2A and B. Item 185 requires a greater paint thickness than Item 168 to achieve the same durability, why should this be? AE pointed out that this is probably more to do with practicality issues of application rather than performance of the paint system. It was agreed MW would summarise his concerns and send to Jim Gallagher.

MW

AE pointed out that Series 1900 is under review by Socotec on behalf of the BBA.



78.7.3 BDs and Other Issues

DGL pointed out that these are now CD's and the heading needs revising accordingly.

AJJ

78.8 Sector Schemes

78.8.1 NHSS 6 ~ Lighting Columns. Nothing to report at this time.

GS

78.8.2 NHSS 6 Training Scheme.

Nothing to report at this time.

78.8.3 Proposed inclusion of ARTSM on committee.

The meeting with NC took place and Neill reports that they are eager to have a better understanding and involvement in members activities. Since they are neither manufacturers or users Phil Cordin has suggested we invite them to join the LCTF as Associates and vote on the matter at the next LCTF meeting. After a show of hands it was agreed they should be invited to attend our October meeting with a view to being offered membership from 01/01/22.

AJJ

78.9 Standards

78.9.1 CEN/TC 50 ~ EN 40

DGL has resigned his role of Convenor for WG4 but as yet there is no replacement. He also reported the CEN Secretariat has also resigned. At present meeting frequency is likely to only one per year. Working group meetings will be more frequent.

AJJ/DGL

78.9.2 B509/50~ EN40

See 78.9.1

There are currently no future meetings planned.

AJJ/DGL

78.9.3 PD 6547 (B509/50/1) ~ Guidance on BS EN 40-3-1 and BS EN 40-3-3

DGL reported that a draft proposal of the document is progressing and hopes for publication towards the end of the year.

78.9.4 EN 12899 ~ Sign Poles



Nothing to report at this time.

NC

78.9.5 EN 12767 ~ Passive Safety

The new performance classes continue to be a source of difficulty. DGL reports there is a likelihood of reverting to the original classes and that the industry should not be making a huge effort to achieve the new ones.

78.10 ILP

78.10.1 Building Information Management

Template and covering note added to web site 17/05/21. The ILP was previously asked whether these templates are being used. It was reported that for Lighting Columns there was almost no usage.

Remove item from agenda.

A.J.J

78.10.2 TR26, Painting of Lighting Columns

To be known as PLG26 and to be published with a newsletter w/c 02/08/21.

78.10.3 Guidance Note 10 - Safety during the installation and removal of lighting columns and similar Street Furniture in proximity to HV Overhead Lines.

Nothing to report at this time.

Secretary note: Guidance note 10 should be General Publication 10. Secretary to update Agenda.

AJJ

78.10.4 LoLEG, Incorporating L&SE Technical Liaison Group:

Nothing to report at this time.

AJJ/GS

78.10.5 TR30 Passive Safety.

DGL reported this is the next document to revise and it would require a small committee for the task. He has asked the ILP for a brief.

78.11 Correspondence

None to report.

78.12 Any other business

Nothing to report.



78.13 Future Meeting dates

Dates already agreed are:

Thursday 21st October 2021 (Video)
Thursday 27th January 2022 for AGM (At ILP offices, Rugby subject to confirmation)

Dates agreed by the members present.

Thursday 28th April 2022 (Video)

Thursday 21st July 2022 (Video)

Thursday 20th October 2022 (Video)

AJJ