

# Minutes for the BIM Acceleration Committee

Friday, 19 September 2014, 11am - 1pm

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## Agenda item

# 1. Accept minutes of last meeting

The minutes were accepted.

# 2. Action log review

Action points from the previous Committee meeting were updated.

## 3. Should BAC minutes be available on the Productivity Partnership website?

The consensus was in favour of publishing the minutes. Minutes of this meeting will be prepared in a format suitable for publishing, for consideration by the committee, before they are posted on the web page.

# 4. BIM Survey

There is an opportunity to utilise the Eboss BIM survey to better understand BIM penetration in NZ. The survey is released in October with results available in December / January.

The Committee was in favour of adding some questions to the survey and establishing a small control group to get a measure of changes in practices over time. The design of the questions is crucial to maximise the information gathered for minimal analytical effort.

A sub group will develop a proposal and suggested survey questions and will circulate to the Committee for consideration.



## 5. Projects plans

#### Government as a client

Interest is picking up within government and the project is starting to take shape.

- The Committee will receive updates every couple of weeks that will inform of the major events and progression in this space.
- A revised project plan will be developed and circulated in the next couple of weeks too
- Government Procurement have guides, forms and templates which could be used as part of this project and are continuing to develop options to improve the procurement and performance of its buildings and structures.

The Committee can provide tools to help government promote BIM, particularly for educating. The next project update from will include a reference on areas where the Committee may be able to assist.

# Group Home builders as a client

Discussions to date show disinterest from Group Home Builders at this stage.

Meetings will continue over the coming months to scope a wider audience for any interest.

#### Case studies

In the next 6 to 8 weeks three or four case studies should be ready for publication. At present one is complete, a second is in draft and a content for a third has been received.

The chair commended individuals in the project team for their work on the write up and design for the suite of case studies.

### Communications and awareness raising

The communications and awareness plan will be circulated with key phrases and themes. Communication opportunities are inherent to all projects and the Committee should continue to seek opportunities to raise awareness of the benefits and opportunities of using BIM.

There was some discussion around where a roadshow might sit in the BIM programme. A recommendation will be drawn up and circulated to the Committee.

## Industry training

There has been good progress to date with many professional institutes giving support for a 'Train the Trainers' programme.

Meetings will be set with tertiary institutes in December to scope a BIM 101 course that would use the BIM handbook as a start point.

#### Contract terms and conditions

Due to the project leads absence an update will be circulated to the Committee.

# **Objectives**

This idea was discussed as a potential project at the Committee meeting on July. A project plan will be drawn up that merges Facilities Management and Objectives.

## Other:

Facilities management. There was some discussion around BIM terminologies used, and in particular the absence of a reference to 'facilities' as opposed to 'asset' management. The discussion noted that



the Uses of BIM would include a number of aspects of facilities management even if they weren't specifically identified as such eg; repair and maintenance planning, spatial programming. It was agreed there was no need to change the BIM handbook.

## 6. BIM Objects – metadata standards

The meeting was briefed on a product manufacturer lead proposal to develop BIM interoperability standards that would enable product specific BIM objects for use in New Zealand. The committee welcomed the initiative and confirmed that while it will be interested in monitoring progress this is not a priority for the committee and therefore the Committee would not be directly involved.

The Committee thought the following guiding principles would be important in any development of interoperability standards:

- Systems agnostic
- Products agnostic
- Program agnostic
- Pragmatic, something that would work for 3-5 years rather than a perfect solution for the next 15 years.

The Committee would like to maintain a connection with this work to ensure it is aligned with the acceleration strategy.

## 7. Other business

A discussion document on the benefits of using BIM for long term infrastructure asset management will be circulated to the Committee for its information.

Next BIM Acceleration Committee meeting to be held at:	Wednesday, 29 October 2014, 9am – 11am
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