

Minutes for the BIM Acceleration Committee

Tuesday, 8 December 2015, 3:00pm – 5:00pm

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1. Quarterly report feedback

The quarterly report was discussed with the funders in November and has been published on the [BIM in NZ webpage](#). The funders gave positive feedback on the reported progress over the last quarter.

The committee is now halfway through the initial timeframe of the BRANZ funding period. The funders posed a number of questions around the life of the committee beyond this three year period and whether to broaden the acceleration strategy to increase BIM adoption.

The committee will run a strategy session in February to consider the next phase of the acceleration strategy.

2. Industry training

The industry training group is taking forward the BRE training content in a NZ context to be delivered to a wider audience in 2016. The group consists of the trained trainers from the BRE training courses in August and representatives of the professional bodies. The group asked for clarification on whether the industry training material could refer to UK BIM standards where the BIM handbook was silent.

The committee agreed that in principle, the content of both the BIM handbook and the training material will be

- agnostic to technology options
- promote options that increase interoperability between technology options

Any major gaps in the BIM handbook content will be expanded consistent with the BRE training material. This may include adopting elements / themes of the UK standards, but without explicit reference to the UK Standards applying in NZ. The training material will acknowledge the existence of the UK BIM Standards and that it is a useful approach to adopt.

The 'hierarchy' of content for NZ will be

- The BIM handbook
- Then the industry training material.

There should be no conflicts between the handbook and the training material. If there are, the handbook will take precedence.

The training material can say that where the handbook is silent the UK standards are one of a number of approaches that can be taken."

The committee agreed that it still has a role in facilitating initial industry training delivery until there is sufficient confidence that industry and professional bodies are capable of delivering it independently.

The industry training group requested, and the committee nominated, a leadership sub-group for guidance and to speed up decision making outside of committee meetings. This sub-group will comprise: Andrew

Reding, David Sharp, Victoria Troake and Denis Burns.

The tertiary education group is looking at a platform to communicate better and to encourage individual institutes to do corporate BIM communications. The group is developing a research project to map what is happening with BIM across the NZ institutes so they can be better informed about where the momentum is going.

3. BIM handbook and CIC guideline revisions

There will be coordination between the revised BIM handbook and the revised CIC guideline release. The handbook project team has been looking at what needs updating in the BIM handbook, to be completed early in the new year.

The intention is that the revised BIM handbook and CIC guidelines complement each other, with limited if any duplication. It is also expected the revisions will be released simultaneously Q2 2016.

4. BIM communications and BIM networks

The first BIM network [event](#), run through the [BIM AK group](#), was held in Auckland on 26 November. Registration reached maximum numbers and a good turnout was seen on the day. The presentations were well received. The next BIM AK event will be on Thursday, 3rd March 2016.

The committee agreed the website BIMinNZ.co.nz will be the main channel for coordinated NZ-wide communications. This webpage will be developed in the new year. The building.govt.nz page will still host key BIM documents and minutes, but users will be directed to the BIMinNZ website for further information.

A revised BIM acceleration communication plan has been developed and will be refined as soon as possible after the February strategy meeting.

5. Project and acceleration updates

The committee, in conjunction with EBOSS, has released its second [benchmark BIM survey](#).

The Building [Metadata Standards project](#) has a governance structure in place, as published on the [Water NZ site](#). An RFP document was released on GETS which closes on 14 December. A provider is to be selected and work will be underway early in the New Year. The Committee identified the opportunity to assess the value of using BIM for facilities and asset management through Property Management Centre of Expertise (PMCoE) transitioning to MBIE.

6. Meeting with buildingSMART Australasia

The committee met with the BuildingSMART Australasia Board to discuss where each group is at with BIM activities and adoption and where there might be alignment between the two. The two groups will maintain contact as they continue work to increase BIM adoption.

Next BIM Acceleration Committee operational meeting and strategy session to be held:

Tuesday, 16 February 2015, 10am – 2pm

Next NTS Committee meeting:

TBC – with the BIM Acceleration Committee meeting (March /April 2016)