

Chairman's Report

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In 2005/6 we have endeavoured to maintain a mix of social topical events.

These have included:

- In January – celebration drinks for those newly graduated having completed the course in 2004.
- In April – an interesting talk on Crossrail by the then Chief Executive, Norman Haste.
- In May – a joint KCCLA and CIOB event on Risk Evaluation and Management.
- In October – a lively talk by Tony Bingham entitled “the price of Building” held in the Great Hall – also in conjunction with the CIOB.
- The Annual Lecture in November sponsored by Sweet & Maxwell – An excellent talk by Peter Hibberd, Secretary General of the JCT on Design Liability and JCT 2005.
- In the early part of 2006 we have promoted events with the CIOB and SCL.

Some events to look forward to are:

A visit to the Court of Appeal in mid July organised by Anne Wright and through the kind auspices of Lord Justice Dyson.

A good deal of ground work has been undertaken to prepare for a talk or debate on new build of nuclear power stations. This will be taken forward for the 2006/7 programme.

A particular point to mention in terms of development over the last year has been the increasing level of interaction with the CIOB which has been very beneficial to the Association.

I am very pleased that Terry Holloway will be joining the committee and look forward to continued close collaboration with the CIOB. Also, I welcome to the Committee Shy Jackson, who recently completed his second year of the King's course, and David Hearsey, who will add his valuable experience.

The Association should continue to encourage equally close links with other key organisations. Will continue to find ways of providing an interesting programme to its members. One avenue, which I would encourage, is closer collaboration with complimentary associations, chartered organisations and professional bodies.

The website continues to be an essential tool for the Association. This is very efficiently administered by Edward Peters. The Association should continue to develop the website as a focal point for information and to look forward to active information exchange and networking.

Finally – a heartfelt thanks to all the committee members who have given their time and enthusiasm so readily. I am very grateful for their efforts in supporting the Association.

Joe Bellhouse