

Committee Member Bios



Name: Alastair Bledowski

Committee Position: Committee Member

How long have you been on the Committee? This is my third year

Current Job: Planning Consultant, Geddes Consulting

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More about Alastair: Alastair is a chartered town planner with over five years of planning experience, predominantly in consultancy. Alastair graduated from the University of Dundee in 2014 with an MSc in Spatial Planning. He then worked at Aberdeenshire Council before moving into consultancy in the East of England and London. Alastair joined Geddes Consulting in 2018 where he has worked on a range of projects in the residential and commercial sectors.



Name: Alison Maguire

Committee Position: Committee Member

How long have you been on the Committee? This is my fifth year

Current Job: Senior Planner, Turley

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More about Alison: Alison graduated from Heriot-Watt University with a postgraduate degree in Urban and Regional Planning in 2012. Alison joined Turley in 2013 after previously gaining experience within Development Management at West Lothian Council, where her responsibilities included processing householder planning applications and providing planning advice to the public. Since joining Turley, she has worked on a variety of commercial, leisure, cultural, industrial and housing projects across Scotland.



Name: Sam Edwards

Committee Position: Social Media Representative

How long have you been on the Committee? 6 years

Current Job: Associate Director, CBRE Ltd

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More about Sam: Sam is a Chartered Planner with over seven years' experience, currently working within the Planning and Development team at CBRE in Edinburgh. She has experience on a broad range of projects across the UK with a variety of both public and private sector clients. She started her career working for Sue Hudson Planning and Urban Design in Dumfries and Galloway. In her spare time, she enjoys cycling and playing netball.

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Name: Jamie Taggart

Committee Position: Social Media Representative

How long have you been on the Committee? This is my first year

Current Job: Student, Heriot Watt University

Linkedin Profile:

More about Jamie: Having completed BSc in Geography last year from Aberdeen university Jamie is currently studying the RTPI accredited Urban and Regional Planning programme. Invited onto the SES chapter as the student representative.



Name: Christine Dalziel

Committee Position: Committee Member

How long have you been on the Committee: This is my third year

Current Job: Senior Planner, Barton Willmore

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More About Christine: Christine is a chartered town planner with over 10 years' consultancy experience. Christine graduated from the University of Aberdeen with an MA in Spatial Planning and joined Barton Willmore in 2016. She has worked with multi-disciplinary design teams on a broad range of commercial and residential projects for both private and public sector clients across Scotland. Christine was also the Convenor of the RTPI Grampian Chapter from 2013-2015.



Name: Emma Fitzgerald

Committee Position: Committee Member

How long have you been on the Committee? This is my fourth year.

Current Job: Senior Planning Officer, City of Edinburgh Council.

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More About Emma: Emma is an experienced and award-winning RTPI Chartered Planner with over 10 years of experience working in the public and private sectors of the Scottish planning industry. Emma started her career within GVA's Planning Development and Regeneration team where she assisted in the preparation and submission of a number of major planning applications. Since 2010, Emma joined the City of Edinburgh Council, where she has been instrumental in developing key components of the city's first Local Development Plan, from inception to adoption. Since 2017 she has worked in Development Management in the Central Area Team, where she has responsibility for managing a number of high profile and complex planning applications. Between 2011 and 2017, she sat on the steering group of the Scottish Young Planners' Network and was elected Chair between 2015 and 2016.

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Name: Mary McCabe

Committee Position: Committee Member

How long have you been on the Committee? This is my third year

Current Job: Planner, Turley

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More About Mary: Mary joined Turley as a Planner in November 2018. She graduated from Heriot-Watt University in 2014 with an MSc in Urban and Regional Planning and became a Chartered Member of the RTPI in May 2017. Mary has extensive experience of a wide variety of projects across the UK, particularly those which require an EIA. Whilst living in Newcastle Mary took on the role of Secretary for the Young Planners' North East Steering Group and now enjoys being involved in the SES Chapter Committee.



Name: Hannah Munro

Committee Position: Committee Member

How long have you been on the Committee? This is my first year

Current Job: Planner, Turley

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More about Hannah:

Hannah graduated from Heriot-Watt University with a BSc(Hons) in Urban Planning and Property Development in 2015. Hannah joined Turley in July 2019 having previously worked for a consultancy in Newcastle and became a Chartered Member of the RTPI in May 2018. Hannah was a member of the Young Planners' North East Steering Group where she was part of the committee responsible for delivering the national RTPI Young Planners' Conference in 2019.



Name: Bob Salter (Geddes Consulting)

Committee Position: Member

How long have you been on the Committee? This is my fifth year.

Current Job: Director, Geddes Consulting Limited.

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More About Bob: I am a chartered town planner with over 40 years' planning experience in local government and the private sector. I have sought to contribute to the development of town planning over these many years. As a young planner, I invented the housing land audit and windfall site concept many years ago and now in my dotage, I am involved in school impact assessments to help with education infrastructure planning which meets the test of Circular 3/2012. I recently took on the role as the quizmaster for the Chapter and hope to be invited back next year.