

Landscape Research Group Ltd Directors' Report, 2018

Landscape Research Group Ltd:
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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2018

The Trustees, who are also Directors of the charity, are pleased to present their Report and enclose the Accounts of Landscape Research Group Limited for the period of business 1st January to 31st December 2018. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS 102).

Charity Information

The company (referred to below as "the Group" or "LRG") was incorporated in England and Wales on 12th April 1983 as a Company Limited by Guarantee with no issued share capital (registered number 1714386), as the successor body to the unincorporated association known as "Landscape Research Group" which was founded in 1967.

Landscape Research Group Limited is also a UK Charity registered with the Charity Commission (Registration number 287160). It is also recognised as a Charity by HM Revenues and Customs for taxation purposes.

The objects for which the Landscape Research Group is established are:

"to advance education and research, encourage interest and exchange information for the public benefit in the field of landscape and any related fields".

Landscape Research Group Limited works internationally to deliver these objects and promotes collaboration and exchange between different disciplines and sectors, and between professionals and the general public. It seeks to empower people to question and understand how we shape and are, in turn, shaped by the world we live in. The Group promotes a 'landscape approach' because it emphasises the holistic, dynamic and cultural nature of people's interaction with the world. It therefore supports the European Landscape Convention's definition of landscape as "an area, as perceived by people, whose character is the result of the action and interaction of natural and/or human factors".

A fuller interpretation of the Group's charitable objects and a statement of our current priorities are presented in our *Research Strategy* available at https://landscaperesearch.org/what-we-do/research-strategy/

Trustees / Directors

The directors / trustees who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

Prof. Vanesa CASTAN-BROTO (Appointed 11th June 2018)
Prof Timothy COLLINS
Dr. Christopher DALGLISH
Graham FAIRCLOUGH
Merouen HEDHELIE (Appointed 17th July 2018)
Prof. Anna JORGENSEN
Prof. Laurence Le Dû-BLAYO

Dr. Markus LEIBENATH
Prof. Kenneth OLWIG
Prof. Hannes PALANG
Gareth ROBERTS
Margaret ROE
Prof. Ingrid SARLOV-HERLIN (Appointed 28th June 2018)
Dr. Steven SHUTTLEWORTH (Resigned 17th May 2018)
Nancy STEDMAN
Paul TABBUSH
Dr. Emma WATERTON

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are directors of Landscape Research Group Ltd. for the purposes of Company Law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Public Benefit Statement

This Directors' Report comprises the 'Public Benefit Statement' which the Directors, as Charity Trustees, are required to make under the Charities Acts. As required, it describes the charity's activities during the year to deliver its charitable purposes for the public benefit, as set out in the introduction above. The Directors confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's 'Public Benefit Guidance for Charity Trustees' in undertaking those activities.

Risk Management

The trustees review the major risks faced by the charity on a regular basis and it is considered that the implementation of strong budgetary and other key financial controls will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees also examine other operational and business risks faced by the charity and confirm that systems and controls are in place which should mitigate against any significant risks.

The Board, Executive, Officers & Co-ordinators (by CD)

The Board was saddened to hear of the death of Prof. David Lowenthal on 15 September 2018. As well as being an important figure in the field of landscape research, David made a significant contribution to the activities and the development of LRG. He served as an Executive Committee and Board member between 1978 and 1993, and was the first non-UK national to do so. He acted as LRG's Vice-Chair and Chair and was one of five founding subscribers to the Memorandum that established LRG as a limited company and charity in 1983. An obituary will feature in *Landscape Research Extra* in early 2019 and there is a proposal to commemorate David through *Landscape Research*. David's contribution to the field and to LRG was celebrated at the December event. David's new book *Quest for the Unity of Knowledge* will be launched in partnership with his daughter Eleanor Lowenthal.

At the start of 2018, the Board had 14 members, 12 of whom chose to stand for re-election at the AGM on 17th May 2018. Although the Board has agreed to aim to reduce its size, over time, to c. 12 members, 15 Board positions were advertised to the LRG membership this year. This temporary

increase in size was intended to help ensure that a good number of new Directors was recruited to the Board.

A new election process was implemented this year (see below). Three new Directors – Prof. Vanesa Castán Broto, Marouen Hedhlie and Prof. Ingrid Sarlöv Herlin – were elected alongside the 12 continuing Directors.

The Officers and Co-ordinators for 2018 have been as follows: Chair (Chris Dalglish, full year); Vice Chair (Paul Tabbush, full year); Treasurer (Steven Shuttleworth, Jan.-Oct.; Paul Tabbush, Oct.-Dec.); Company Secretary (Markus Leibenath, to December then David Saunders); Journal Editor (Anna Jorgensen, full year); Research & Policy Coordinator (Hannes Palang, full year); Community Development Coordinator (Laurence le Du-Blayo, full year). Steven Shuttleworth retired from the Board at the AGM on 17th May. On that date, the Board formally appointed him 'Acting Honorary Treasurer' until October, when he was succeeded by Paul Tabbush.

The Group's website is www.landscaperesearch.org, email address admin@landscaperesearch.org, and its Twitter 'handles' are @aboutlandscape and @LandscapeResJ. The Group also has a Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/landscaperesearchgroup/).

Governance and Operations

The Board, Executive, Officers & Co-ordinators (by CD)

Since a decision in May 2017 to restructure the Board, the Executive has comprised the Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Company Secretary and Journal Editor.

The role of the Board is to ensure the good governance of LRG, agree strategy and monitor achievements. Operational decision-making is devolved to the Executive, the individual Officers and the Co-ordinators, all of whom have the authority to act within the scope of their various remits and the annual budgetary limits as set by the Board.

At Board Meeting 79 in May 2018, the Board revised the structure of the Executive and the number and the remits of the Group's 'activity co-ordinators'. The Executive comprises the four Officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Company Secretary) and the Editor-in-Chief of the Group's journal *Landscape Research*. As well as the Editor, there are two other activity coordinators: the Research & Policy Co-ordinator; and the LRG Community Development Co-ordinator.

Following the AGM on 18th May 2018, the Board elected individuals to the Officer and Coordinator posts as follows: Chris Dalglish as Chair; Paul Tabbush as Vice-Chair; Steven Shuttleworth as Treasurer; Markus Leibenath as Secretary; Anna Jorgensen as Editor of *Landscape Research*; Hannes Palang as Research & Policy Co-ordinator; and Laurence le Du-Blayo as LRG Community Development Coordinator.

Staffing (by CD)

2018 has been a year of significant changes to LRG's staffing arrangements.

At the beginning of the year, the Group had no directly-employed staff but had contracts or

agreements with a number of people for delivery of specific services:

Development Management (Sarah McCarthy); Administrative Support (Pauline Graham);

Landscape Research Journal Editorial Assistant (Crista Walshaw); compiling and editing Landscape

Research Extra (Nigel Young); and website development and IT support (Paul Lacey).

Sarah McCarthy's contract as Development Manager was extended by mutual agreement to aid with the transition to new staffing arrangements (see below). The Development Manager role was always intended as a fixed-term contract and Sarah's contract with LRG ended on 30th September as agreed. On behalf of the Board, the Chair wishes to thank Sarah for her contribution to LRG's development between 2014 and 2018, which has included work on our strategy, internal communications, and external profile/communications, as well as on the development of our activities, membership and partnerships. At the end of her time with LRG, Sarah drafted a report on her work was development manager between 2014 and 2018 and this is currently with the Chair for review. Once finalised, the report will be circulated to the Board, the Chief Executive and the Communications & Membership Manager.

As part of an agreed, phased retirement plan, Pauline Graham reduced the scope of her administrative role in May 2018. To cover the administrative shortfall, Sarah McCarthy's contract was renegotiated and widened to include the provision of certain administrative services until 30th September. Pauline has now retired, and her contract with LRG ceased in December 2018. The Chair, Treasurer and new Chief Executive are currently reviewing options for alternative administrative support arrangements. On behalf of the Board, the Chair wishes to thank Pauline for her work for LRG over an extended period, and to wish Pauline well in her retirement.

Crista Walshaw continues in her role as journal editorial assistant, and Nigel Young continues in his role as Editor of *Landscape Research Extra*.

Paul Lacey continues to provide website development services for LRG and will continue to do so until the launch of the new website (intended to be in early 2019). Agreements have been reached on a new, short-term contract with Dickiebirds Studio Ltd (Paul's new company) to provide ongoing website and other IT support during 2019 whilst the new online membership management arrangements bed-in.

At its meeting in May 2017, the Board agreed to create a new position of 'Journal pre-Editor' to provide additional support for the journal editor and editorial team in light of the increasing workloads entailed in delivering the journal. This post was included in the editorial agreement negotiated with Western Sydney University (WSU), the employer of the incoming Journal Editor, Emma Waterton, who succeeds Anna Jorgensen in January 2019. The editorial agreement, signed by both parties in June 2018, stipulates that WSU will employ a pre-Editor at 0.16 fte (6 hours per week). LRG will reimburse WSU for the costs of employing this person to support delivery of the journal. This is a fixed term appointment for 18 months, starting in early 2019. Interviews have already been held for the position.

In April 2018, the Board agreed to create two additional new posts, for a Chief Executive (0.5 fte) and a Communications & Membership Manager (0.5 fte). The posts were advertised in July and the response was good. 75 applications were received for the Chief Executive post and 75 for the Communications & Membership Manager post. A panel of 6 LRG Directors (CD, LLDB, GF, ML, NS,

PT) scored these 150 candidates against the 'essential' and 'desirable' criteria listed in the person specifications of the role, using a common scoring system. Using the scores, an initial shortlist of 12 candidates was created for each role. Through discussion, the assessment panel then selected a final shortlist of 6 candidates for each role, and these 12 individuals were invited to interview. The interviews mostly took place in person London, on 6th and 7th September; two interviews were conducted by video-conference, on 6th and 10th September. The panel for all interviews comprised CD, LLDB and PT. All interview candidates were graded in a consistent manner in relation to the different aspects of the roles, as specified in the job descriptions, and to the person specification for each post. On the basis of those grades, and discussion within the interview panel, candidates were ranked. The interview panel, and the wider assessment panel, feel that the quality of the candidates shortlisted for both roles was very high, with a number of suitable, well-qualified, experienced and employable candidates on each list.

Two candidates were offered the roles shortly after all the interviews had been undertaken, subject to satisfactory references (which were quickly received), the necessary checks regarding Right to Work in the UK and successful agreement of employment contracts. We are confident that the process has been a success, resulting in two excellent appointments. LRG's new Chief Executive is David Saunders and our new Communications & Membership Manager is Sarah Hobbs. Both DS and SH took up post on 22nd October 2018. A number of changes will now need to be made to the ways in which LRG operates, as a result of the move to this new staffing structure, and particularly with the appointment of a Chief Executive.

Volunteers

Thanks are due to the volunteers that have helped to deliver activities this year. In particular, LRG member Kimm Curran who contributed to the social media activity and LRG member Tim Waterman, with his colleague Ed Wall, who helped to facilitate the LRG's AGM and subsequent event at the University of Greenwich in May 2018.

Finances (by PT)

Please see the attached Treasurer's Report on 2018 Accounts, and our accountants 'Report on Accounts for 2018' for more detail than is provided here.

New budgets were agreed in 2017, and these provide for expenditure on two new employees (CEO and CMM) in 2018, on the assumption that both posts were to begin in August, so a modest underspend was expected by the end of the year.

In the event, the charity made an operating surplus in 2018 of £12,083 (income of £111,747, less expenditure of £84,784 and administrative expenses of £14,880). This compares to the surplus in 2017 of £6,766 (income of £138,583, less expenditure of £119,372 and administrative expenses of £12,225). The reduction of income was the result partly of a fall in member subscriptions (from £6031 to £5544), and partly of a reduction in the T&F payments (from £107,711 to £105,589).

The Group's financial strategy, agreed in late 2006, is based on achieving a broad balance of income and expenditure to maintain an minimum Accumulated Fund (i.e. reserves) of c.£60,000. The Group's Accumulated Fund has risen substantially in recent years and our total Accumulated Fund at the end of 2018 stood at £176,222.

LRG now has two directly-employed staff, and this added responsibility indicates that higher reserves are needed, to buffer against possible future financial shocks. The Treasurer has proposed

to the Board an increase in the reserve from £60,000 to £100,000. This will still provide a substantial buffer, whilst allowing scope to apply the remainder of the Accumulated Fund reserve to meet LRG's increased financial commitments, and invest in a programme to increase income from membership and other sources over the next years.

Legal & Regulatory Compliance (by DS)

During 2018 the Company Secretarie(s) carried out all formal reporting required by Companies House and the Charity Commission.

A working group comprising the Company Secretary, two other Board members and the Development Manager were tasked with reviewing current data management practices and procedures and implementing any changes necessary to comply with the GDPR. This exercise was completed in time for the 25th May 2018 deadline.

Governance Framework (by GF)

In order to improve its governance, the Board resolved in 2015 to bring all governance documentation together in a single place, compiling it as a single 'Governance Compendium'. The Compendium was intended to be a living document to be updated with new or revised material as and when required. A Governance working group has drafted new policies and procedures to fill any gaps identified in compiling the Compendium and this work continued throughout 2018.

During 2018, a draft for Issue 2 of the Governance Compendium was produced, with both minor copy-edits, small updates (e.g. reference to counter terrorism financial sanctions; reference to new CEO and CMM posts) and the addition of a new policy on Archives. Five other new policies requested by the Board at its December 2017 meeting were drafted by Steven Shuttleworth and Gareth Roberts before they stepped down from the Board in May 2018.

Of the five new policies prepared three have been approved by the Board and, formally adopted. These are: Conflict of Interest, Investment, Anti-fraud, Environmental, Internal disputes and Complaint procedures.

Work continues on preparing a new staff employment policy, to define our procedures as we take on more staff, and a new policy for managing internal disputes and complaints. These are currently in preparation by the Treasurer and the CEO and draft versions will be issued for further consideration in 2019.

At the 2018 AGM in May, new procedures for electing Directors were used, designed over the winter by the Governance Group. As a result, eight LRG members who were not sitting Board members put themselves forward as candidates, in addition to twelve sitting directors who stood for re-election. Of these, three new Board members were elected alongside 12 re-elected sitting directors. The voting turnout was slightly increased on 2017 (26 voters) resulting from the introduction of proxy voting for members not present at the AGM (used by 13 members). Lessons learnt from this first attempt to improve the Board recruitment / election process are being used in the planning of the 2019 election.

Proposals for new policies and / or governance procedures (by CD)

With the move to a new directly-employed staffing structure in October 2018, changes will need to

be made to the ways in which decision-making authorities are delegated by the Board. In particular, certain executive authorities currently vested in the Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, and in the Executive (comprising the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Journal Editor), can and should pass to the Chief Executive. The Board naturally expect that any scheme for the delegation of authorities to the Chief Executive will need to be considered carefully. The Chair and Chief Executive have been working on a proposed 'delegation framework' which will be circulated to the Board for detailed consideration during 2019.

In the meantime, previous Board decisions about the delegation of authorities will remain in place.

One specific change the Board were asked to approve resulted from Markus Leibenath stepping down as Company Secretary at the December Board meeting. LRG Directors are most grateful for his work as Company Secretary during his term in office. The main tasks undertaken by the Secretary are to ensure that LRG meets its legal obligations as a company and charity under UK law and there remains a continuing need to ensure that these tasks are delivered properly. There is, however, no legal requirement for LRG Ltd. to appoint a Company Secretary to perform these tasks, and LRG's own constitution does not oblige the Group to have a Company Secretary as such. Many of the key regulatory and administrative tasks can be undertaken by the new Chief Executive, as it is not unusual for the Company Secretary role to be undertaken by a senior staff member rather than by a Board member. The Board confirmed this change to the CEO taking on these duties in December 2018 and as a consequence, LRG's Executive committee will no longer include the Company Secretary, reducing to the Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Journal Editor (until and unless further changes are made as part of any new delegation framework that is to be agreed in the future).

The current line management arrangements are that the Chief Executive reports to the Chair of the Board and the Communications & Membership Manager reports to the Chief Executive. The CMM's work plan is agreed with the CEO, and the CEO's priorities are agreed with the Chair.

Advancing Landscape Research

Research Grants (by HP)

Based on the success of the research grants scheme in 2017, a new call was prepared, with an indicative budget of £10,000. The broad topic remained the same, Landscape Justice, and the call was issued in January 2018, with a submission deadline at the March 1, 2018.

We received 11 grant applications, for the total sum of £30,183. The applicants came from Ireland, India, Greece, US and the UK. The sum applied for varied between £1,339 and £5,000. The proposals were assessed by NS, SMC, HP, the decision was unanimous. The following projects were offered funding:

Applicant	Research Project Title	Award
Emily Shakespeare	The imposition of colonial power and the landscape in the Comeragh Mountains, County Waterford, Ireland	£1,409
Maria Pafi	Coastal Landscapes and Inclusive Planning in the West of Ireland	£1,600

Kalliope Pediaditi-Prud'homme	Addressing the scientific isolation of the Sitia Geopark local community	£1,500
Ian Mell	Beyond the peace lines	£4,840
Ed Wall		£651

As the end of 2018, all the projects were developing without major problems. An extension of the span of the project was negotiated with Kalliope Pediaditi-Prud'homme, the new end being in September 2019. The 2019 research call will focus on the theme of the 2018 debate 'Language, Landscape and Justice'.

Student Research Awards (by HP)

There were no student awards provided in 2018. The board meeting in May agreed not to return to the thesis competition, but rather to replace this with travel and fieldwork grants. A call was issued in early 2019.

Landscape Research Journal (by AJ, CW and EW)

Landscape Research Group Ltd. benefits from a publishing agreement with Taylor & Francis Ltd. which allows for payments to the Group in respect of royalties on total T & F sales (with a guaranteed minimum royalty), plus a contribution towards the Group's editorial costs and also sponsorship for events. The Agreement was re-negotiated with effect from January 2013 and continues until December 2020.

Anna Jorgensen fulfilled the role as Managing Editor of Landscape Research until the end of 2018 at which point Emma Waterton formally took over as Managing Editor, and Anna became Consulting Editor. In July 2018 Vanesa Castan-Broto joined the Editorial Board as an Associate Editor, and Mark Eischeid as an Assistant Editor, both on a trial basis. There are no immediate changes to report to the composition of the International Editorial Advisory Board (IEAB).

Eight issues of Landscape Research were published in Volume 43 during 2018.

Volume 43 contained five general issues and three special themed issues which were:

- February (42.2) Arts, Knowledge and Northern Landscapes
- May (42.4) Governance of Energy Landscapes Exploring Recent Developments and Perspectives (ed. Markus Leibenath and Gerd Lintz)
- November (42.8) Pastoral landscapes caught between abandonment, rewilding and agri-environmental management. Is there an alternative future? (ed. Werner Krauß & Kenneth R. Olwig)

In 2018, the gap between acceptance of a paper and publication on iFirst averaged 3-4 months. The gap between acceptance and appearance in print remains, on average, one year. There are now enough papers in backlog for 2019 (with the inclusion of 2 special issues factored in) so general papers accepted now will appear in print in 2020. There are currently 12 papers in ScholarOne waiting to be put into iFirst production, and these are a mixture of special issue papers (for print in 2019) and general papers that will be assigned to print issues in the first half of 2020.

The journal currently runs at 8 issues a year and this still seems the right number – despite the apparently large backlog of general papers, it is becoming increasingly difficult to find reviewers for general papers, which may slow the flow of papers. Furthermore, there are not many special

issues at an advanced stage in the pipeline after 2018. More special issues will need to be put in progress, and given the variability in the time it takes for special issues to come to fruition, it may become difficult to fill the journal if the number of issues increases.

Developing a Community of Interest

Branding & Communications (by CD)

Prior to the end of her contract as Development Manager, in September 2018, SMc had been working with Paul Lacey, LRG's IT comms consultant, on the development of the LRG website. Since taking up post in October, SH has taken of this role and together with Paul Lacy, they are finishing the project to provide more secure and efficient membership management arrangements. The new website was launched in early 2019.

Landscape Research Extra (by BY)

There were three issues of Landscape Research Extra circulated to members in January, May and November 2018. Nearly all pieces were contributed by LRG members. The articles included a variety of news and imaginative written pieces. Notably there was a three page treatment on British landscape in cathedral stained glass and one on landscapes as depicted in cigarette cards. There were no dissertation prize winner pieces this year and reports from conferences included (Landscape Justice in Tasmania) and PECSRL's annual conference. Contributions are the outcome of prompts sent out by the LRG's administrator and letters directed to good writers by the Editor.

During 2018 LRE's editor compiled of 100 the best articles from LRE's archive into a bound and illustrated anthology, published as the 'LRE Bedside Reader', to be made available to members in early 2019.

Events (by LLDB)

At Board Meeting 78, in May 2018 it was agreed that the event agenda would move from 'open calls' where LRG might be just one granting partner among others, to a process of selected categories of events where LRG would co-ordinate events in line with the LRG's Research Strategy and share the responsibilities for organisation amongst the LRG board, volunteer members and staff.

February 2018. AALERT (Arts and the Artist in Landscape and Environmental Research Today). This event came out of an open call for projects and was organised by Eirini Saratsi, from the Department of Geography and Environmental Science, University of Reading. With 62 participants, this event was successful, and reported in LRE.

Early 2018, a new Project Proposal Grant Application form 2018 was set up by CDC to start the transition from the previous grant system to the new model, so that events are part of a general development strategy and explicitly contribute to the LRG Research Strategy, emphasise the LRG debate (actually 'landscape justice') and reinforce LRG networks, especially in Europe. Five events were organised in that sense:

LRG events:

May 2018: Landscape research showcase in London, hosted by the University of Greenwich.

December 2018: Landscape Research Debate titled "Language & Landscape Governance" was held in London with contributions form Dominick Tyler, Deirdre Black and Michael Jones as conference speakers. A commemoration for David Lowenthal (1923-2018) followed, delivered by Sverker Sörlin.

Landscape Research networks events:

September 2018: German Landscape Working Group of LRG organised a workshop "Landscape Images and Landscapes Understandings in Policy and Practice in Hamburg", with about 20 participants. The program was set up by Cormac Walsh, from the Institut für Geographie, Universität Hamburg.

November 2018: Brittany Landscape Working Group organised a seminar in Paimpont where LRG (Sarah Hobbs and Laurence Le Dû-Blayo) had a stand presenting LRG activities. More than 100 participants attended this event, and interviews with participants took place for inclusion on LRG's website in the event section.

LRG sessions were held in the following international conferences :

September 2018: LRG ran a session in the PECSRL 2018 conference, in Clermont-Ferrand. This session on 'Landscape Justice and the Quality of Life: Experiences from Europe and the European Beyond' was organised and chaired by Kenneth Olwig with a great success.

A Maghreb landscape working group is being planned under the organisation of Malika Boudjani from Algier University.

Partnership Development (by LLDB)

In October 2018 Laurence Le Dû-Blayo attended the 21st Council of Europe Workshop for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention as a representative of LRG. This meeting was on the issue 'Landscape and Education'. Many useful contacts were made in order to further develop the Landscape Research Networks.

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