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THE REMOTE SENSING AND PHOTOGRAMMETRY SOCIETY

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1. FOREWORD BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIETY

Prof. David Rhind, Vice Chancellor of City University, is President of the Society.

The Society continues to make significant and welcome progress in establishing important linkages and exchanges with a number of appropriate partners. However, in broad terms, remote sensing and photogrammetry are still not recognised as widely as should be the case for the benefits and opportunities – real and potential – that they can bring. The need to ‘educate’ existing users and raise awareness of these benefits amongst potential users and supporters continues to be a big issue. This is increasingly so as Government, research, industry and the public become more and more committed to the concept of evidence-informed policy - and as they are exposed to the relevance and potential benefits of spatial information and imagery in everyday life.

Building such understanding is never easy, especially for ‘young disciplines’. It usually involves dealing with busy, even harried, potential beneficiaries of photogrammetry and remote sensing. I have much sympathy with users who are trying to get to grips with technological advances. But I will continue to promote - wherever I can - awareness of the Society and how it can help to make potential benefits become real ones. The establishment of the Society as the affiliating body to ISPRS should do much to enhance its international and national profile, influence and relevance. May I urge you to maintain your tremendous efforts in developing, implementing and communicating the wonderful skills and expertise in the Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry professions. I remain ready to assist and support the Society in any way based on your advice.

David Rhind

2. MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Imagery and other sensed data continue to attract attention nowadays in science, the media and a host of different business and government areas. Issues of technical specification, calibration and “fitness for purpose” continue to be key areas where RSPSoc and its partners can bring their technical expertise and public awareness and outreach activities to a useful convergence. Increasingly, the Society is invited to participate directly in relevant activities and consultations in this area, which help to (re)establish our credentials in this important area of scientific work and business growth.

A number of important strategy documents were released by external bodies relevant to the Society for public consultation during the current review period. The Society has contributed to these consultation opportunities, via the External Affairs Committee. What is clear, and indeed inevitable, from all these various strategies is the heavy emphasis placed on EO from space based satellite sensors. Space is an expensive business and demands a huge amount of national resource and attention. However, the Society comprises a wide membership that encompasses space and

airborne sensors and methodologies. Due to the nature of funding for space based remote sensing attention is easily diverted there and, in the UK, the airborne non-space constituency can be under represented. Airborne observation of the earth is equally (some might say more) important and therefore the Society needs to also identify opportunities and mechanisms to lobby and raise the issues important to airborne practitioners. We need to take every opportunity to influence these processes so that they include the interests of all of our members.

With regard to all of the above, it remains appropriate for RSPSoc to pay serious attention to the needs (of layman, student and practitioner) for better common understandings of terminology, for best practice guidance and for authoritative inputs to issues of specifications and fitness for purpose. This will raise awareness and stimulate debate of the need for better appreciation of the technical, commercial and other factors that enable or inhibit market development and to better define the fitness for purpose of digital imagery in many applications. It is an important topic and I am glad to be able to report that a finalised report on the digital imagery standards round table and subsequent RSPSoc technical workshop is expected during 2004. Delays in collating all the material have precluded more significant progress on this matter in the review period but a combined report of the meetings and the evidence presented will be issued during the next review period.

The Society's External Affairs Committee of Council has achieved significant progress, in promoting linkages with potential partner organisations, notably BNSC, NERC, RICS, ICES, EARSeL and AGI. An important review and update of Special Interest Group (SIG) working arrangements has been completed. The RSPSoc has also, as announced at the Society's Annual General Meeting, in September 2003, assumed the role of UK Ordinary Member and formal affiliation body to the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS). One of the most immediate responsibilities in this new role was to compile a National Report on remote sensing, photogrammetry and related geomatics activities in the UK between 2000-2004, which has been submitted for the ISPRS Congress in July 2004. The current and previous UK National Reports to ISPRS Congress are available on the Society website. I take this opportunity to thank all contributors very much for their time and assistance in providing inputs to the report. This is an important national "snapshot" that will be of interest and use to many within and beyond the UK. The Society is grateful for your participation. All of this has helped to establish and strengthen good relations and profile with related organisations as part of an inclusive approach to raising broader awareness of RSPSoc. It has also helped to consolidate the Society in a position of growing technical prominence and authority within the whole field of remote sensing and photogrammetry in the UK. This is in the best interests of the technical focus of the Society and for its long term sustainability.

There has been a very active programme of technical meetings covering a wide range of subjects and these are summarised in Section ten. The Society thanks all the organisers and sponsors of technical meetings for their contribution, effort and commitment to the Society. Council's thanks go to Paul Aplin and his colleagues for organising RSPSoc2003, which was held at Nottingham University, and for making the event the success it clearly was. The conference was well attended and had a very stimulating scientific programme. We look forward to future conference events with

Arthur Cracknell busy organising RSPSoc2004 at Aberdeen University and early preparations in hand for RSPSoc2005, which will be held at Portsmouth University. Offers to host the conference are greatly appreciated and ideas and nominations regarding the venue for 2006 are welcome.

The reports for the individual SIG convenors show that the Society is also active in offering successful specialist meetings and events. This is welcome as it enables greater outreach by the Society to other fields, it encourages wider collaboration and exchanges and it enhances the Society's standing as an authoritative body in all areas of remote sensing and photogrammetry. Ed Wallington and Crona O'Shea put a lot of effort into organising the Student's Meeting, which was very successful due to strong support from the Society's student members and generous sponsorship. Their decision to change to a two day meeting was clearly vindicated.

The trend continues for joint meetings with other Societies or professional organisations. The recognition of the Society as a partner for such joint meetings is to be welcomed. The Society stands to gain a great deal from establishing more and stronger linkages with a diversity of partners and this has been achieved markedly in the last year through the activities of the External Affairs Committee. More and frequent communication with related organisations and Societies for meetings and closer liaison will continue to be necessary.

Publication of The Photogrammetric Record and the International Journal of Remote Sensing are an important function of the Society. The Editors and their teams are to be congratulated on maintaining the quality of this production on a voluntary basis. The Publications Committee is also to be congratulated on realising the publishing arrangement with Blackwells Publishing Ltd., which has seen an increase in the number of issues along with revenues to the Society. The Society's other journal, The International Journal of Remote Sensing, continues to go from strength to strength and royalties from it form a significant proportion of the Society's income. The IJRS is published as twenty four issues per year and members still enjoy preferential subscription rates.

The Newsletter will continue to be published four times per year in the current format to provide readers with timely information on news and current developments in remote sensing and photogrammetry. This is an important part of the Society fabric. The committed and sustained effort of Paul Mather as Editor, supported by others, is a great benefit to the membership and greatly appreciated. Modifications to the format and content will be reviewed periodically to ensure that members continue to receive fresh and relevant information on a regular basis. In the meantime, the aim is to continue production of a timely Newsletter. Martin Wickett has made substantial additions and improvements to the Society's website. Further developments are expected and this effort is much appreciated.

The Education and Training Committee have been pursuing a number of initiatives, in particular with a strong presence at the Geographical Association's Annual Conference. However, their activities are being limited by the availability of people prepared to represent the Society at a number of meetings, so they would welcome anyone who could help.

Council reviews regularly the work of the Society to ensure that members' needs are met to best effect. During the last year, Council has spent some time discussing the benefits individual members receive from the Society, with particular emphasis on ensuring that there is equality to all members. No firm conclusions have been reached but a number of possibilities are being looked into. Council has also adopted a Code of Conduct for the Society's Bulletin Board, Working Practices of the Society and job descriptions for trustees and the posts of Chairman, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary General Secretary. Improvements to the software used to maintain the membership database are underway and the new accounting system, established by Bob Taft and Rosemary McCabe, is proving very effective. Both these initiatives are improving the efficiency of administering the Society. Regrettably, as a consequence, Council terminated membership of 140 members of the Society who were in arrears for two years. Unfortunately, the office staff have to use a significant amount of time in following up defaulters. This could be significantly reduced if more members paid their subscriptions by direct debit.

The dedicated hard work and support of our small team in the Nottingham office continues to underpin all these achievements. Karen Laughton resolutely provides a vital role at the hub of things, assisted by Rosemary McCabe. The Society is perpetually grateful to Karen and the team at Nottingham for sorting out all manner of difficulties, coping with many different demands and keeping us all on track. This is highly appreciated as it provides vital support to all the members. The Society is also very grateful to Paul Mather and Paul Aplin in maintaining good liaison with the University.

An important vote of thanks is due to our corporate members and other sponsors. They support the Society in a great many ways either directly through sponsorship and advertising or indirectly by enabling events and supporting members to assist and work on council. The Society is very glad of their support especially when there are so many competing financial demands on corporate members these days.

This is my last contribution to the Annual Review as Chairman of the Society. In standing down from this role, can I express my thanks and appreciation for all the support provided by the office staff and fellow Council members during my tenure. It was a somewhat daunting prospect to take on the leadership of the new Society immediately post merger. My priorities were to ensure that the Society maintained a firm footing in its early years whilst recognising the need to leap forward and establish an enhanced character and profile befitting the collective interests, and indeed trust, of the membership. I am content that the steps we have made together so far have at least put in place the process to achieve some of that ambition. It has been an immense honour to chair the Society, a task made so much easier thanks to the willingness, commitment and enthusiasm of Council members, Committee chairpersons, Secretariat and members alike. The Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry Society is truly a going concern and I urge all of you, under the

incoming Chair and beyond, to keep up such effort and enthusiasm that has marked its establishment to further realise the full potential and benefits we all recognise. I thank you and wish you well in all your endeavours to sustain and grow the Society.



Ian Downey

3. COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

Council met in May, September and November 2003 and February 2004. At the Society's AGM, in September 2003, Martin Wickett and Matthew Stuttard stood down from Council, due to pressure of work. Kathie Bowden also stood down as Compliance Officer and Jim Adams came to the end of his two year period as a Student Representative. Council would like to thank them all for their hard work and commitment to the Society.

Tony Smart and Sandy Winterbottom were elected to their second terms and Jane Drummond (University of Glasgow) and Mark Cutler (Dundee University) to their first terms. Crona O'Shea was appointed by Council as a Student Representative. In November 2003, Council reluctantly accepted Jim Chandler's decision to stand down as Vice Chairman, which was motivated dominantly by his desire to concentrate on managing The Photogrammetric Record. Jim has continued as convenor of the Publications Committee and, in recognition of this, Council co-opted him on to Council. Council decided to appoint Stuart Marsh as Vice Chairman. The full membership of Council, on 31 March 2004, is given in Annex 1.

I would like to thank, on behalf of Council and personally, the staff of the Society's Office: Karen Laughton and Rosemary McCabe. There are very few of the Society's activities to which they do not contribute.



Jon Finch

4. REPORT OF THE HON. TREASURER

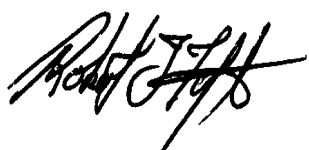
The financial results for the year 2003/04 are presented in full in Annex 3 of the Annual Report. In general they may be considered stable and even though there has been a marked fall in both income and expenditure the results show an acceptable surplus.

The main contributor to both the lowering of income and expenditure has been the new arrangement introduced in this year for the production of The Photogrammetric Record. The Photogrammetric Record is now jointly published by the Society and Blackwell Publishing Limited, so the Society's accounts no longer contain any revenue for sales of the journal or advertising income. On the other hand, the costs of printing The Photogrammetric Record have also been absorbed into the new agreement resulting in a significant overall reduction in the Society's outgoings. The joint publishing arrangement is an investment that is expected to show a loss in the first few years, thus there will still be a Photogrammetric Record production cost line appearing in the accounts, but then it is anticipated to show satisfactory profits in the future. While we do not expect the royalties to ever be as high as those enjoyed in the arrangement with Taylor & Francis for the IJRS journal, they will become a significant income and will ensure the future of The Photogrammetric Record.

On other income; the Society has benefited from the gains in the stock market and we have fully recovered the £3,014 shown in last years accounts as a provision for unrealised losses. Conveners of Day Symposia should be congratulated on organising meetings that attract a high attendance that has produced a healthy rise in income.

A slightly worrying observation can be seen in subscription income. While both Corporate Individual and Concessionary numbers have increased, there has been a serious fall in the main Corporate and Individual subscription levels. The net deficit is £2,266. This should not be allowed to become a trend.

Finally, I am pleased to report that we have ironed out all the wrinkles in the new accounting system introduced into the Nottingham office. It is now fully functional and we can produce a reconciled statement on the finances of the Society almost instantly. I would like to express my personal thanks to Mrs. Rosemary McCabe, a person few members have probably met, but a person who has devoted a large amount of time and effort into getting this system up and running.



Robert J. Taft FRSPSoc

5. AWARDS & PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE

This is the third full year of eligibility and conferring of the Society awards. The awards are an amalgamation formed from the former awards of the RSS and PSoc. Some have been renamed as a consequence. Fellowship of the Society has replaced the former categories of professional membership that were available in the RSS. The terms of reference and eligibility will be reviewed further in the coming year to reflect best practice, changes in the publication frequency of the Society's journals and generally as the Society develops its character more fully.

Below you will find a list of the award recipients. They will be presented with their awards at the reception, in Aberdeen, as part of the Annual conference. It has been considered appropriate to make a Society award in this review period to reflect the significance of the UK and the Society relationship with ISPRS. It is not felt appropriate to make a Founder's award in the period covered by this review.

This year there were five Masters level theses and one PhD thesis submitted. Although the quality of the theses submitted for the Student Awards remains high, we would very much like to receive more nominations. Applications for student travel bursaries remain buoyant. Applications for fellowship continue to be received, which reflects a growing professional relevance to members.

AWARDS AND TRAVEL BURSARIES

The Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry Society Award:

For 'services to Remote Sensing and/or Photogrammetry' through sustained and distinguished contributions to furthering the science and applications which use remote sensing or photogrammetry. The terms of the award state 'to be awarded on an occasional basis and never more than once in any year'. This award consists of a suitably inscribed Gold Medal and Honorary Membership of the Society for Life.

Professor Ian J Dowman, University College London

Citation - For Services to Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry

Prof Ian Dowman BSc, PhD, FRICS is an eminent remote sensing scientist and land surveyor who has, over the course of his career, made a major and sustained contribution to furthering scientific knowledge in photogrammetry and remote sensing in the UK and overseas.

He graduated in Geography at University College London (UCL) in 1963, with a Diploma in Photogrammetry in 1964. He worked as a photogrammetrist in Australia for six years before returning to the UK to embark on a highly influential academic career at UCL. He made significant inputs to the successful and internationally recognised MSc course in Photogrammetry and in 1983 assisted the development of a pioneering intercollegiate University of London MSc in Remote Sensing, the first postgraduate course of its kind in the UK, which he has coordinated since 1985. He served as Reader in Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing, University of London (1983-91) during which time he was also Dean of Engineering at UCL (1989-91). He was promoted in 1991 to the position of Professor of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing.

Ian has worked as a photogrammetrist for 40 years in the field of applying photogrammetric techniques to a wide range of image sensors for surface and feature extraction. His work has been instrumental to developing better, and increasingly automated, geometric models for accurate 3-dimensional modelling and topographic mapping from satellite data. These techniques are now enabling greatly improved flood risk assessment, building and land cover identification, city and earthquake

models and "Landmap", a geocoded seamless mosaic of the whole of the United Kingdom.

Since 1972, Ian has been closely involved with the UK Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry Society and its predecessors in furthering the development, teaching and promotion of photogrammetry and remote sensing. He has achieved an international profile as one of the UK's most eminent experts in this field through his long-standing contributions to the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS). This was recognised in 1992 when he received the ISPRS Schermerhorn award. He is currently ISPRS President Elect for 2004-2008 after serving four years as Secretary General.

Founders' Award:

An award linked to the names of departed Founders for those who have made significant, original and personal contributions to the Society. Awarded occasionally by resolution of Council. This award consists of a Silver Medal and a cheque for £250.

This award is made on an occasional basis. There was no award conferred under this category during the reporting period.

The Len Curtis Award :

For an outstanding technical publication published in the preceding year in the International Journal of Remote Sensing. Certificate and books to the value of £200, normally sponsored by Taylor and Francis.

Awarded to: C Skelsey, ANR Law, M Winter and JR Lishman, for their paper: "A system for monitoring land cover", *International Journal of Remote Sensing*, 2003, Vol. 24, (23), 4853-4869.

E H Thompson Award:

Awarded to the author(s) of the paper in The Photogrammetric Record which most merits the award. The award will be made primarily for the originality of the content and the value of the paper to photogrammetry. It will be made from all those eligible papers published in the two-year period up to and including April of the year in which the award is to be made. Certificate and cheque for £200:

There was no award conferred under this category during the reporting period.

The Taylor and Francis Best Letter Award:

For the best letter published in the International Journal of Remote Sensing during the previous calendar year. Certificate and one year's free subscription to The International Journal of Remote Sensing or books to the value of £100. Sponsored by Taylor and Francis:

Awarded to: R L Czaplewski for the Letter: "Can a sample of Landsat sensor scenes reliably estimate the global extent of tropical deforestation", *International Journal of Remote Sensing*, 2003, Vol. 24, (6), 1409-1412.

The Student Awards:

For the best Doctoral and Masters theses, on the subjects of remote sensing and/or photogrammetry, accepted by a University during the previous calendar year and restricted to student members of the Society. Certificate and cheques for £500 (Doctoral) and £250 (Masters). These awards are sponsored by: Leica Geosystems GIS & Mapping Limited.

PhD - Simon Buckley (University of Newcastle): "A geomatics data fusion technique for change monitoring".

MSc - Mariano Alonso Garcia (University of Greenwich): "Burnt area mapping in Spain, using satellite remote sensing".

Poster Paper Prize:

For the best poster paper displayed at the Annual Conference of the Society. A main award of £100 and a runner-up merit award of £25. Sponsored by the Society.

The following were awarded at RSPSoc2003 - Scales and Dynamics in Observing the Environment - 10-12 September 2003, Nottingham, UK:

Main Award (£100): "Designing a fuzzy rule-based pattern recognition system for tropical cyclone storm canopy characteristics", F Khalid, C Power and E Shebab, University of Greenwich, UK.

Merit Award (£25): "Estimating spectral irradiance from measurements in seven spectral bands", E M Rollin and E J Milton, University of Southampton, UK.

Professional Membership (FRSPSoc and AFRSPSoc) of the Society

Jon Shears FRSPSoc

Travel Bursaries:

For travel which supports the aims of the Society, especially towards part of the costs of student and younger members of the Society who are presenting papers at international conferences. Variable sums of money (£50 - £250).

Francesca Di Giuseppe (University of Reading), EGS/AGU Meeting in Nice, France, 6-11 April 2003 (£150)

Ed Wallington (University of Edinburgh), 23rd EARSeL Symposium, Ghent, Belgium, 2-5 June 2003 (£150)

Nick Hamm (University of Southampton), IGARSS 2003, Toulouse, France, 21-25 July 2003 (£75)

Michael Riedmann (University of Southampton), IGARSS 2003, Toulouse, France, 21-25 July 2003 (£75)

Anke Broetje (University of Goettingen), RSPSoc2003, Nottingham, UK, 10-12 September 2003 (£100)

Angela Harris (University of Sheffield), 30th International Symposium on Remote Sensing of Environment (ISRSE), Honolulu, 10-14 November 2003 (£200)

Ian Downey

6. EDUCATION & TRAINING COMMITTEE

The Education and Training Committee is continuing its work to increase awareness of remote sensing and photogrammetry. In April this year the committee attended the annual Geography Association conference at the University of Kent at Canterbury.



Clare Power on the RSPSoC exhibition stand at the GA conference, Canterbury, April 2004.

We distributed several thousand CD-ROMs which included the “Window on the World”, “Window on the UK”. Alison Caldwell produced a series of lesson plans to go with the BNSC CD-ROMs. These were received with great enthusiasm by the Geography teachers and, so far, the feedback has been very good. The lesson plans are now available to download from the Education and Training pages of the RSPSoC web site.

Along with the lesson plans, the Education and Training pages on the web site now includes a number of links to other web sites which we think are particularly useful for remote sensing and photogrammetry education.

The Committee are very grateful to the BNSC for their continued and generous support for conference attendance. Thank you also, to all of the E&T Committee for their commitment to fulfilling this vital Society role. Alison Caldwell, Clare Power, Kevin White, Paul Mason and Penny Mason have made particularly valuable contributions.

Sandy Winterbottom

7. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The External Affairs Committee operates as a number of sub-committees, each focused on relations with a particular sector, and a core committee called together as required to discuss more generic issues. Important relationships being addressed by the EAC include those with the Affiliated Special Interest Groups, the British National Space Centre, and the Natural Environment Research Council. Outside the UK, contacts with the European Association of Remote Sensing Laboratories remain important and the Society is the UK's affiliating body for the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing.

The year began well, with formal affiliation to RSPSoc of the Geological Remote Sensing Group, who are jointly affiliated to the Geological Society of London, the Ocean Colour Special Interest Group, who are jointly affiliated to the Challenger Society for Marine Science and the National Association of Aerial Photographic Libraries, an independent organisation promoting the use and preservation of aerial photographs. This put RSPSoc's relationship with these groups on a firmer footing, via a Heads of Agreement that spells out what the Society expects of the Special Interest Groups and vice versa. These groups are three of the most active Special Interest Groups and bring important contacts for the Society with their affiliation. There are opportunities to attract new members from more applied backgrounds and the Technical Programme is enriched through joint meetings with the external societies that these Groups are affiliated to. For the Special Interest Groups, affiliation delivers all the advantages associated with belonging to a larger organisation with no loss in identity. A range of RSPSoc services are now opened up to them through the act of affiliation on 1st April 2003.

A second significant development in 2003 was a sequence of steps that led to the RSPSoc becoming the UK's affiliating body to the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing. The former UK National Committee for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing dissolved itself on October the 9th and its membership joined the ISPRS Committee of the RSPSoc. This tidied up the complex affiliation mechanism that had been necessary whilst the former Remote Sensing Society and Photogrammetric Society were separate, which became less relevant following their merger to create the RSPSoc. The ISPRS Committee includes members from the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and the Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors who, with the RSPSoc, pay one-third shares of the affiliation fee, and operates in much the same way as the other EAC sub-committees. In the second half of the year, the Committee has concentrated on preparations for the 2004 ISPRS Congress. A questionnaire was used to gather information from UK photogrammetry and remote sensing practitioners in order to compile the National

Report. The UK National Exhibit was also developed, showcasing examples of photogrammetry and remote sensing applications from a wide variety of government, industry and academic projects. A five strong delegation will formally represent the UK at the Congress in July 2004 (among what it is hoped will be a considerably larger number of UK participants). It is anticipated that Professor Ian Dowman from University College London will become the ISPRS President for 2004-8.

A new development during the year was the coordination by the External Affairs Committee of RSPSoc's responses to consultation exercises from external bodies. Perhaps the most relevant of these to Society members broadly was the consultation on the Natural Environment Research Council's new Earth Observation Strategy. Opinion was sought via the Society's bulletin board and web site, consolidated within the EAC, submitted and published in the Society's Newsletter. This approach was successful and will be used again, as and when the need arises. The finalised NERC EO strategy is expected later in 2004. The Society also provided inputs to the draft BNSC Space Strategy for the UK and the European Commission (EC) Green Paper on European Space Policy. The revised BNSC strategy was published in January 2004. The EC White Paper on European Space Policy (COM (2003)673, November 2003) has also been published.

Throughout the year, good relations were maintained with many other organisations. The British National Space Centre continued to support the RSPSoc's activities in general and the Annual Conference in Nottingham in particular. Our discussions with the Natural Environment Research Council over meetings will lead to a joint session on airborne remote sensing at the 2004 Conference in Aberdeen. RSPSoc is cooperating over the NERC Earth Observation Conference with the next to be held in June 2004. Improved relations with the Association for Geographic Information during the year should see publication of the AGI-RSPSoc-RICS Imagery Round Table Report later in 2004. Continued close work with the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors was an essential element of this success. The Society's Vice Chairman attended the January 2004 Council of the European Association of Remote Sensing Laboratories and gave a report. EARSeL continues to be a key partner for technical meetings and information exchange on a European level.

Looking ahead, a new member of the EAC has been tasked with assessing RSPSoc's relations with other national remote sensing and photogrammetry societies during 2004/5. This will also take in relations with other UK learned and professional societies with whom RSPSoc could develop useful collaboration, including the Royal Geographical Society. On top of the ISPRS Congress in July 2004, this will help to ensure that the EAC is kept busy on a variety of fronts. Significant progress will be reported, as last year, in the Society's Newsletter and on the EAC pages of the Society web site, which have been significantly developed during 2003/4; for more information on the EAC, please do visit them!

Stuart Marsh

8. MEMBERSHIP AND PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

The Committee has been covering three main activities this year as follows:

Exhibitions

Richard Goodman has been looking after RSPSoc's presence at a number of key events this year. Exhibitions provide excellent visibility for the Society. Typically, RSPSoc will have a backdrop and leaflet stand at the exhibition, and where possible a Council member will attend to provide extra support and information. In all cases we attempt to have the stand free of charge.

Redesign

The current exhibition stand is becoming tired and so needs to be replaced. It is fairly large and bulky to transport, so a new stand that is 1 meter wide and rolls out from its base is being purchased. This will allow ease of transport and construction, as well as taking less space up in an exhibition hall, so allowing RSPSoc to exhibit free of charge more easily. This coincides with the need to reprint the brochure and so it is a good opportunity to look at the overall design of both, and a working committee has been set up to create a new look for the Society.

Publicity plan

A separate working committee will develop a publicity and marketing plan to be actioned over the next year.

Julian Norton

9. PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Members of the Publications Committee have been working hard on your behalf over the past year. The two journals, *International Journal of Remote Sensing* and *The Photogrammetric Record* are on a secure financial footing, the former providing the financial foundations for the Society. The *RSPSoc Newsletter* continues to be developed under the stewardship of Paul Mather with Karen Laughton, Ernie Wickens and Paul Aplin providing notable input. I'm sure that you will also have noticed the radical development of the web site. Martin Wickett has made substantial additions of new sections and improvements to the Society's website, particularly the very popular "funding and employment opportunities" section and in relation to the student members' pages and links to other relevant sites. Developments to pages for some of the SIGs are ongoing and further improvements to the website are in the pipeline. The policy to devolve maintenance of the web-pages has worked well, easing some of his workload.

I will be standing down as Chair of the Publications Committee in July 2004. An opportunity for study leave in Australia has arisen and I'll be unable to commit myself to Society affairs for a period of nine months. I will be maintaining my involvement in *The Photogrammetric Record* in my capacity as Coordinator of the International Editorial Board.

Challenges for the future remain the mid- to long-term replacement of our three dedicated and hard-working Editors (they are not getting any younger!). Finding volunteers willing to be involved in the Society's publications has been a constant concern for me and has become increasingly problematic. However, two recent "rays

of hope” have come in the form of Ed Wallington, who recently volunteered to replace Andrew Smith as the Book Review Editor of *The Photogrammetric Record* and John Sach, who will be coordinating the frontispiece and advertising! Thank you, any more volunteers out there?

I've enjoyed my spell at the helm and wish finally to express my thanks and gratitude to both past, present and now future members of the Publications Committee. I am sure that without their dedication for what is essentially unpaid and hard work, the Society would have ceased to exist! These include, in alphabetical order:

Keith Atkinson (reference checker for *The Photogrammetric Record*).
Veronica Brown (former Assistant Editor, *The Photogrammetric Record*)
Arthur Cracknell (Editor, *International Journal of Remote Sensing*)
Stuart Granshaw (Maths Editor, *The Photogrammetric Record*)
Karen Laughton (coordinator, *RSPSoc Newsletter*)
Rosemary McCabe (administration, *The Photogrammetric Record*)
Paul Marshall, (former Advertising Manager, *The Photogrammetric Record*)
Paul Mather (Editor, *RSPSoc Newsletter*)
Jon Mills (former Assistant Editor, *The Photogrammetric Record*)
Paul Newby (Editor, *The Photogrammetric Record*)
John Sach (frontispiece & advertising coordinator, *The Photogrammetric Record*)
Andrew Smith (current Book Review Editor, *The Photogrammetric Record*)
Ed Wallington (future Book Review Editor, *The Photogrammetric Record*)
Martin Wickett (Webmaster)
Ernie Wickens (Assistant Editor, *RSPSoc Newsletter*)

Jim Chandler

10. TECHNICAL PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

During 2003/04, the Technical Programme Committee continued to provide a strong and varied schedule of meetings (see Technical Programme 2003/04 table on page 16). Progress was also made on streamlining the ways in which meetings are organised and advertised. To this end, new and comprehensive guidelines for organising meetings were prepared and are now circulated routinely to meeting organisers. The Technical Programme continues to be advertised in its routine slot on the inside front cover of the quarterly Newsletter, supplemented by email announcements using the Society's Bulletin Board and other email lists.

The year's Technical Programme commenced in April 2003 with a one day seminar on 'Underwater Survey and Recording' at English Heritage's Centre for Archaeology in Portsmouth. Interest in this event proved considerable such that the venue became a bit of a squeeze, but the eight papers provided an excellent overview on the technology and application of underwater surveying. It is hoped that this theme may be developed further in future RSPSoc meetings with the assistance of the Archaeology SIG.

In the summer of 2003, two very successful one day meetings were held on 'Epidemiology: a Spatial Perspective' and 'Sensing and Mapping the Marine

Environment: from Near and Far'. The first meeting, on epidemiology, represents a new departure for the Society, but is a subject of growing interest, as demonstrated by the attendance of over 40 delegates. The second meeting, on the marine environment, was organised jointly by RSPSoc and the Challenger Society for Marine Science (CSMS). In fact, the Ocean Colour SIG, affiliated to both RSPSoc and CSMS, acted as the meeting organiser, and a second meeting on this theme is planned for 2005.

The Society's Annual Conference took place in September 2003 at The University of Nottingham and focused on the theme of 'Scales and Dynamics in Observing the Environment'. This was an interesting and well-attended meeting, with over 150 delegates, and included various formal RSPSoc events such as the Annual General Meeting, the Annual Awards Ceremony and Dinner. While providing an opportunity for all Society members to present their work, the scientific quality of papers remained high and a Special Issue of the International Journal of Remote Sensing on the conference theme is being prepared for publication in 2005.

The first evening lecture of the session took place in November 2003. Peter Trieb of Heritage Building Recording, USA spoke on 'Close Range Photogrammetry from a Distance - an American Perspective'. Later in the session, two evening lectures took place in quick succession in March 2004. The first of these, 'GPS, Satellite Imagery and Ecology in Belize' was presented by Duncan Moss of the Ordnance Survey and Neil Stuart of the University of Edinburgh. The second, 'The Use of Remote Sensing Imagery for Admiralty Charting' presented by Ruth Adams of the UK Hydrographic Office, took place at the University of Newcastle, away from the usual venue in the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, London. This may become a general trend, where more meetings, not only evening lectures, are held at venues distributed throughout the country to ensure that the Technical Programme is accessible to the whole Society membership.

Four other one day meetings took place before the end of the session. A meeting on 'Digital Archiving' was held in York in November 2003, followed by a focused meeting on 'The BNSC International Co-operation Programme and the Integrated Global Observing Strategy' in London in early December 2003. The Geological Remote Sensing Group (one of RSPSoc's affiliated SIGs) held their annual meeting, 'Geology Unveiled', in late December 2003. Finally, at the end of March 2004 a meeting on 'Digital Aerial Sensors for Photogrammetry' was held at the University of Newcastle. The organisers of all meetings are congratulated for their efforts in running highly successful events.

The organisation of future meetings remains ongoing to ensure the Society continues to provide a strong and interesting Technical Programme. This relies on the Society's members, though, to attend and provide feedback on past meetings and to volunteer ideas and assistance in organising future ones. The Technical Programme Committee looks forward to your continued involvement.

Paul Aplin



Technical Programme 2003/04

Date	MEETING	Venue	Contact
9 Apr 2003	One day seminar Underwater Survey and Recording	Centre for Archaeology, Portsmouth	Ian Oxley ian.oxley@english-heritage.org.uk
17 Jun 2003	One day meeting Epidemiology: a spatial perspective	The University of Salford	Alastair Graham A.Graham@salford.ac.uk
16 Jul 2003	Ocean Colour ASIG meeting (joint with CSMS) Sensing and Mapping the Marine Environment: from near and far	The Geological Society, London	Sam Lavender s.lavender@plymouth.ac.uk
10-12 Sep 2003	RSPSoc annual conference Scales and Dynamics in Observing the Environment	The University of Nottingham	Paul Aplin paul.aplin@nottingham.ac.uk
4 Nov 2003	Evening lecture (joint with RICS) Close Range Photogrammetry from a Distance - an American Perspective <i>Peter Trieb, Heritage Building Recording, USA</i>	RICS, London	Paul Bryan paul.bryan@english-heritage.org.uk
6 Nov 2003	One day meeting Digital Archiving	Bedern Hall, York	David Andrews david.andrews@english-heritage.org.uk
11 Dec 2003	One day meeting The BNSC International Co-operation Programme (ICP2) and the Integrated Global Observing Strategy (IGOS)	Royal Society, London	Kathryn Moore KMMoore@QinetiQ.com
18 Dec 2003	GRSG ASIG annual meeting Geology Unveiled	The Geological Society, London	Richard Teeuw richard.teeuw@port.ac.uk
4 Mar 2004	Evening lecture (joint with RICS) GPS, Satellite Imagery and Ecology in Belize <i>Duncan Moss, Ordnance Survey and Neil Stuart, University of Edinburgh</i>	RICS, London	James Kavanagh jkavanagh@rics.org.uk
11 Mar 2004	Evening lecture (joint with RICS) The Use of Remote Sensing Imagery for Admiralty Charting <i>Ruth Adams, UK Hydrographic Office</i>	University of Newcastle upon Tyne	James Kavanagh jkavanagh@rics.org.uk
31 Mar 2004	One day meeting Digital Aerial Sensors for Photogrammetry	University of Newcastle upon Tyne	Jon Mills J.P.Mills@newcastle.ac.uk

ASIG = Affiliated Special Interest Group, CSMS = Challenger Society for Marine Science, RICS = Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, GRSG = Geological Remote Sensing Group. For further information on RSPSoc Technical Programme meetings, see <http://www.rpsoc.org/calendar>.

The Society encourages members to organise meetings for inclusion in the Technical Programme. Anyone interested in organising a meeting should contact the Technical Programme Co-ordinator, Paul Aplin, in the first instance. These enquiries should be directed through the RSPSoc Office (rpsoc@nottingham.ac.uk).

11. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

During the past year, two initiatives have been undertaken to advance the Student Members' role in the Society. The first aim was to increase the profile of these members and to promote further interaction via a series of web pages; and secondly to further develop and advance the Annual Student Meeting (ASM). Communication to Student Members has also been increased by using email and by maintaining regular newsletter input.

A Student web portal has been created and added to the Society website. To achieve this aim, consultation and advice was sought from Martin Wicket (RSPSoc Webmaster). A series of pages were developed which together form the Student web portal. It was essential that these pages conformed to the Societies overall web image, and aimed to promote and develop the profile of the Student Members, whilst maintaining a useful service and focal point. The priority from the start was to produce initial web pages and publish them as soon as possible, with the intention of adapting the pages based on member feedback. Whilst still in the early stages of design and implementation, the aim of an online presence has been achieved, and feedback is still being sought as to the most productive way to proceed.

The Annual Student Meeting (ASM) is the primary focus of the Student Members and, as such, this year has seen an extra effort to further develop and enhance this ever improving event. This year, the format of the meeting was altered to a two day event, beginning late morning of the first day and finishing mid-afternoon the second day. There were a number of beneficial reasons for this: to simplify travel (i.e. eliminating two journeys in one day), to allow for more presentations, and to allow a social event in the evening to continue discussions, develop work related networks and for us to become better acquainted with our peers. The ASM this year was hosted by the Edinburgh Earth Observatory at The University of Edinburgh on the 1st-2nd April 2004. The meeting was extremely successful and, despite the distances involved for some delegates, a total of 34 students attended, some from as far afield as Southampton, as well as 4 keynote speakers and 3 industry representatives.

To enable a two day event, significant effort was put into fundraising, and thanks are therefore due to the following organisations, without whom the meeting could not have taken place: RSI, Leica Geosystems, Forest Research, Taylor & Francis, RSPSoc, The University of Edinburgh and the Edinburgh Earth Observatory. Two prizes of £50 were awarded to the best two student presentations as voted by the delegates, as per last year it was felt these awards would encourage the quality of presentations and the profile of the meeting.

Over the year it has been evident that the student members are incredibly enthusiastic towards their research and the Society as a whole. I believe this to be an excellent trait and one which I expect to continue in the future. Due to the very favourable feedback from the ASM, next year's meeting is also anticipated to be a two day event with further developments, and I am sure the attendance will once again be high, all of which continues to benefit the Student Members and the Society as a whole.

Ed Wallington
Student Representative 2002-2004

12. SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIGS)

Overview

This has been an active year for the newly affiliated SIGs, and it is a pleasure to welcome Kevin McLaren as the new NAPLIB convenor. Derek Edwards provided significant input and assistance in the NAPLIB affiliation process and I would like to thank him and the ongoing convenors that continue to work hard on the Society's behalf. Iain Woodhouse will be stepping down as the SAR SIG convenor and so I would like to welcome volunteers for his replacement.

From the SIG reports below, I hope that you will be encouraged to become active members of the SIGs and help them in organising meetings and raising the profile of the Society. Also, if you have an idea for a new SIG then make contact so that it can be explored further. The SIGs act as foci for members of the Society within particular specialist or application areas to meet and share ideas.

Samantha Lavender
SIG Co-ordinator

Archaeology SIG (Chris Brooke)

The Archaeology SIG (ArchSIG) aims to encourage the exchange of research and methodology between remote sensing scientists and archaeologists, especially those concerned with methods of site prospection.

Previous meetings have concentrated on a mixture of case studies and developing methodology and include ground-based methods, photogrammetry, and geophysical prospection, as well as aerial photography and thermal imaging.

The group had intended to hold a meeting on remote sensing methods in underwater archaeology but this has had to be postponed. No further meetings were held during the year.

Chris Brooke

Geographical Information System (GIS) SIG (Stuart Barr)

In the past year the Geographical Information System (GIS) SIG has seen little activity. The planned introduction of a membership database and the introduction of a steering committee has yet to be completed, although it is intended that this should be achieved in the near future. The convenor encourages any members of RSPSoc with an interest in the theory, application or interfacing of GIS in relation to remote sensing and photogrammetry to contact him. Upon completion of the membership database and the initialization of a steering committee, the GIS SIG intends to re-establish its contribution to the Society's technical programme through specialized one-day meetings and SIG organised sessions at the Society's annual conference. Members of the Society who may be interested in organizing such meetings are

encouraged to contact the SIG convenor. The SIG convenor can now be contacted by emailing Stuart Barr at S.L.Barr@ncl.ac.uk.

Stuart Barr

Geological Remote Sensing Group (Dan Taranik/Richard Teeuw)

This has been an eventful year for the GRSG, with initiatives to strengthen links with our RSPSoc and Geological Society “parents”, build on our international links, re-vamp our website, attract more student members, boost the content of the GRSG Newsletter and increase our conference activities. GRSG life was made even more interesting in June, when our dynamic Chairman, Dan Taranik, had to resign because of a job posting with AngloAmerican in Chile.

The GRSG currently has ca. 200 members, of which approximately 60% are in the UK, 15% in the rest of Europe, 15% in the USA. The balance of GRSG account at the end of 2003 was a healthy £3,218.66. During 2003 we reviewed our membership fees, modified our payment system (primarily to allow for payments in Euros) and re-organised our membership database.

With ca. 40% of our membership being overseas, we have aimed to build on our international profile. In 2003 there was a GRSG presence at the European Association of Remote Sensing Laboratories’ Symposium in Ghent and the International Association for Mathematical Geology Congress at Portsmouth. Agreement was also reached with the Geological Society of Nevada to co-sponsor a conference on remote sensing and mineral exploration to be held in Reno during May 2005. The GRSG Annual Conference was held at the Geological Society, in London, on December 18th. The meeting reviewed recent developments in geological remote sensing and was well attended, with an even mix of UK-based and overseas presentations.

In an effort to attract more student members, two stipends of up to £250 are now available to students wanting to make geological remote sensing presentations at international conferences. The first beneficiaries were Margaret Andrews Deller of the Open University, for her paper on the mapping and dating of saprolites in Ethiopia (to be presented at the 2004 International Geological Congress in Italy), and Gareth Funning of Oxford University, for his paper on satellite radar interferometry and earthquake activity in Alaska, presented at the AGU Fall meeting in San Francisco.

As well as being a Geological Society SIG, GRSG is now a fully affiliated RSPSoc SIG: we’ve paid the £100 fee and are already starting to reap the benefits of increased publicity and logistical assistance with our events. On the communications front, we now have a GRSG email discussion group and a re-vamped website, kindly maintained by Tim Wright at Oxford University’s Earth Science Department. During 2003 the complete set of GRSG Newsletters, dating back to 1990, were scanned in PDF format: this archive covers many key events in the recent development of geological remote sensing and can be freely accessed via our website.

Four committee meetings were held during 2003. In addition to the loss of Chairman Dan Taranik, our long-serving Secretary, Pippa Mason, stood down and has since joined the RSPSoc Council: our loss is their gain! The GRSG AGM saw the election

of Richard Teeuw as Chairman and Claire Roberts as Secretary. Other key roles have been accepted by Naz Khalique (Newsletter Editor), Tim Wright (Publicity Officer) and Marc Goossens (Fund-Raising Officer). Thanks to all of the GRSG Committee for their sterling efforts over 2003.

Richard Teeuw

Models & Advanced Techniques SIG (Nick Drake/Peter North)

This year, MATSIG supported the conference GeoComputation 2003, held at the School of Geography, University of Southampton (SoG, UoS) and the Ordnance Survey on 8-10th September 2003. This was the seventh in a series of successful international meetings concerned with solving geographical problems through the use of computers. The conference was organised by Peter Atkinson, Giles Foody (both MATSIG Committee members) and David Martin. However, to take full advantage of the enthusiasm and interest of the large number of quantitative geographers in the institution, the conference was advertised both as a whole and as a series of special interest sessions organised by individual staff at the SoG, UoS. One of those special interest sessions was on "Remote Sensing of Change" (Giles Foody). The sessions were sculpted to develop academically strong, but focused collections of research papers. The result was a lively and interesting conference.

Reflecting the increasing interest in the use of modelling and advanced techniques within Earth Observation, a UK meeting on modelling and EO assimilation in land surface science was held at CEH Wallingford in March 2004, organised by the Royal Meteorological Society with participation from MATSIG members. A number of relevant themes are also represented in the forthcoming NERC EO conference hosted by Plymouth University.

Currently there are no commitments for meeting support in the coming year, and proposals are invited from MATSIG members.

Peter North

National Association of Aerial Photographic Libraries, NAPLIB (Kevin McLaren)

The NAPLIB 2003 Annual Conference took place at Ordnance Survey, Southampton, on 6-7 June 2003, and focussed on aerial survey at the Ordnance Survey, past and present. Presentations were given on subjects ranging from the origins of aerial survey at OS to current work on the OS MasterMap Imagery Layer. At the AGM, held in conjunction with the conference, both Allan Williams, of Keele University, and Chris Mawson, of Simmons Aerofilms, were elected to serve on the executive committee.

The executive committee met twice during the last year, on 10 September 2003 and 15 January 2004, when the principle business concerned member services and the digitisation of the Directory of Aerial Photographic Collections in the United Kingdom, for inclusion in the member's area of a redesigned website. Work on the newsletter, website and digital Directory is ongoing.

The NAPLIB 2004 conference is to be held in Edinburgh on 22-23 September, and will focus on aerial survey work in Scotland.

Kevin McLaren

Ocean Colour SIG (Samantha Lavender)

The SIG organised a one-day symposium in London on 16 July 2003 titled "Sensing and Mapping the Marine Environment: from near and far". The symposium was well attended, with over 20 members and 15 non-members. Two participants crossed the Atlantic - from Canada and the USA. A PDF document containing the programme and abstracts is available from the Ocean Colour SIG WWW page at http://www.research.plymouth.ac.uk/geomatics/csms_ocolour/index.html. A second meeting is planned for the spring/summer of 2005.

The SIG is also affiliated to the Challenger Society for Marine Science (CSMS) and so will present a poster at its 11th biennial conference in Liverpool (13–17th September 2004) to promote the SIG and its activities.

Samantha Lavender, SIG Co-ordinator

Annex 1 - Council Membership at the End of the Reporting Period, 31st March 2004

EX-OFFICIO (TRUSTEES)

Mr I Downey* AFRSPSoc
(British National Space Centre)
Chairman

Dr J Finch* AFRSPSoc
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Hon. Gen. Secretary

Dr S Marsh*
(British Geological Survey)
Vice-Chairman

Mr R Taft FRSPSoc
(Leica Geosystems GIS & Mapping Limited)
Hon. Treasurer

ELECTED MEMBERS (TRUSTEES)

Dr P Aplin
(University of Nottingham)

Dr C Power
(University of Greenwich)

Mr P Bryan
(English Heritage)

Mr J Shears
(Infoterra)

Dr M Cutler
(University of Dundee)

Mr A Smart AFRSPSoc
(Ordnance Survey)

Dr J Drummond
(University of Glasgow)

Dr S Winterbottom
(University of Stirling)

Dr P Mason
(HME Partnership)

Mr J Norton
(Leica Geosystems GIS & Mapping Limited)

Ms R Payne
(Cartographical Services Ltd Group)

CO-OPTED

Dr J Chandler
(University of Loughborough)

IN ATTENDANCE

Prof A Cracknell FRSPSoc
Editor of the International Journal of Remote Sensing
(University of Dundee)

Mr P Newby
Editor of The Photogrammetric Record

Dr S Lavender
SIG Coordinator
(University of Plymouth)

Prof P M Mather
Editor of the Newsletter
(University of Nottingham)

Ms C O'Shea
Student Representative
(University of Stirling)

Mr E Wallington
Student Representative
(University of Edinburgh)

Prof D Rhind
President
(City University)

Ms K Bowden AFRSPSoc
RSPSE (Financial Director)

Ms K Laughton
Executive Secretary
(RSPSoc Office)

(* = RSPSoc Directors)

Annex 2 - Committee Membership and Terms of Reference (November 2003 - March 2004)

AWARDS AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

- To make timely recommendations for the awards and professional membership of the Society.

Ian Downey (Convener)
Dave Chapman
Mark Cutler
Jon Finch

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- To develop, co-ordinate and carry out the Society's policies towards promoting awareness of remote sensing and photogrammetry among teachers and students at all levels
- To promote and co-ordinate cross-training and non-technical training among members
- To support, in the form of seedcorn grants or loans where appropriate, promising initiatives in remote sensing and photogrammetry

Sandy Winterbottom (Convener)
Alison Caldwell
Clare Power
Mike Turner
Kevin White

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- To advise the Chairman, Hon. Gen. Secretary and Executive Secretary on such day-to-day management, executive or administrative affairs as may be necessary. The quorum is three.

Ian Downey (Convener)
Jon Finch
Karen Laughton (in attendance)
Stuart Marsh
Robert Taft

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

- To review existing alliances
- To consider new alliances
- To liaise with other national and international organisations

Stuart Marsh (EAC Convener)
Paul Aplin
Alice Bunn
Ian Downey
Samantha Lavender
Philippa Mason
Susan Mecklenberg
Julian Norton
Jon Shears

FINANCE

- To advise the Treasurer on all aspects of the Society's Financial Affairs

Robert Taft (Convener)
Karen Laughton (in attendance)
Rosemary McCabe (in attendance)
Bobby Payne
Tony Smart

MEMBERSHIP AND PUBLICITY

- To promote and publicise the Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry Society and undertake any special project work determined by the Council of the Society
- Promoting membership
- To ensure that the services provided to members are appropriate and good value for money
- To provide relevant material for the RSPSoc Web site
- To monitor and analyse membership trends and recommend actions
- To provide a transcription service for meetings as determined by Council
- To provide brochures and publicity/promotional material as requested by Council
- To identify on an annual basis the events at which promotional material should be displayed and to ensure that display material is available
- To coordinate press releases on the work of the Society and provide a Spokesperson

Julian Norton (Convener)
Richard Goodman
Matthew Stuttard
Jon Shears

PUBLICATIONS

- To be responsible for the editing and production of the Society's publications and ensure their technical quality.

Jim Chandler (Convener)
Arthur Cracknell (Editor, IJRS)
Karen Laughton (in attendance)
Paul Newby (Editor, The Photogrammetric Record)
Paul Mather (Newsletter Editor)
Martin Wickett (Webmaster)

SPECIAL PROJECTS

- To organise special projects and functions as determined by the Council of the Society

Bobby Payne (Convener)
Tony Smart

TECHNICAL PROGRAMME

- To advise the Technical Programme Committee Chairmen on the content of the Society's meetings Calendar
- To encourage remote sensing and photogrammetry related meetings with other societies and professional bodies

Paul Bryan (Convener)
Paul Aplin
Samantha Lavender (SIG Convener)
Stuart Marsh
Julian Norton

Annex 3 - Accounts

Annex 4 - Special Interest Groups (SIGS)

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AJ Chen
RR Clemons
M Clowes
S Connor
A P Cracknell
P Curran
G Davison
MJ Duggin
A Falconer
AJ Fox
P Goldsmith
A Gordon
P Gudmandsen
DD Hardy
S I Hay
C Hean-Teik
LA Hisscott
Sir J Houghton
J Jacob
RB King
SA Kyle
R Littleworth
WM McKay
PM Mather
J Meyer-Roux
CW Mitchell
K Muirhead
C Nicklin
WR Philipson
R Read
H Ripley
J Sach
RAG Savigear
J Shears
R Stanbridge
M Stuttard
RJ Taft
IL Thomas
AM Thriscutt
BJ Topliss
S L Ustin
JL van Genderen
RA Vaughan
G Vincent
BV Vinogradov
DA Wallis

B Wannamaker
EHF Wickens
PDL Williams
S Wilson
AC Woodfine
GG Wright
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K Young-Seup

AFRSPSoc

S Alizai
MJ Barnsley
E Bartholome
ME Bauer
AS Belward
RC Benson
FH Berger
AC Bird
RV Birnie
M Bolt
K Bowden
DW Braggins
CJ Brooke
JG Campbell
RF Cheeney
P Churchill
CD Clark
AR Condal
AC Cook
T Cope Bowley
MP Croucher
ST Culshaw
G D'Souza
P Dainelli
G C Deane
R Dennis
DNM Donoghue
TD Douglas
IJ Dowman
I Downey
G Duncan
HP Durham
P Eales
NDJ Edmead
M Ehlers
JP Elder
H Epp
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P Excell
D G Fearn
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PA Fletcher
GM Foody
PG Foschi
MJF Fowler

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A Georgopoulos	K Ouchi
GH Griffiths	E Peccol
GB Groom	J Pender
MR Guy	G Petrie
NP Hanan	B Pfeiffer
IA Harley	BF Plummer
MJ Harris	S Plummer
AR Harrison	MR Pooley
FM Henderson	SD Prince
DS Hetherington	M Y Qari
DBL Hibbert	S Quegan
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JC Hinton	A Riaza
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J McMorrow	LD Thomas
JR Milford	AE Todd
G Miliarsis	N Trodd
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T Nishidai	GG Wilkinson
DG Noble	KG Wilkinson
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PL Woodworth
D Wright
LR Wyatt
Y Xue
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