

ASSOCIATION FOR STUDIES IN THE CONSERVATION OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

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MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASSOCIATION

ABOUT ASCHB

The Association for Studies in the Conservation of Historic Buildings is a non-profit professional organisation, founded in 1968 by the staff and students of the Institute of Archaeology's Diploma Course in Building Conservation. This course was suspended that same year, and in consequence ASCHB has always been actively involved in the setting-up and support of graduate conservation courses in the UK.

Members of ASCHB are involved in all aspects of conservation of the historic environment: research, planning, architecture, surveying, archaeology, engineering, management, advice, practical work, material production, teaching, and publishing. They may be resident in the UK or overseas; studying, in current practice, or retired.

ASCHB maintains close connections with other professional and statutory organisations in the field, including Historic England, the Church Buildings Council, the National Trust, the Ecclesiastical Architects and Surveyors Association, and the Cathedral Architects Association. It is represented on conservation bodies including the Conference on Training in Architectural Conservation.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

ASCHB aims to keep its members informed and up-to-date on all aspects of building conservation, by organising meetings, lectures, and conferences on subjects of current concern to building conservation professionals, and by arranging visits to buildings, works in progress, and places of interest such as quarries and workshops. Full and frank discussions are encouraged at every event; ASCHB aims primarily to be a forum in which members can freely discuss problems and solutions with their peers. A one-day conference and at least five lecture meetings are held annually, in addition to occasional site visits and study tours. The lecture season runs from September until July. During the pandemic we started running webinars on the Zoom platform, which we intend to continue, and also to hold hybrid Zoom and in-person meetings. We make recordings of the meetings available to members through the Members Area on the website. All information about events can also be found on the website (www.aschb.org.uk).

For logistical reasons, the conference and most of the meetings are held in central London, but local meetings have been organised by convenors in Liverpool and Leicester; and visits are commonly made to sites outside London. Paul Creasser Beckett is our convenor for ASCHB North, and arranges visits and meetings. If you would be interested in hosting a regional meeting or visit, please contact the Committee, who would be delighted to help.

Each year members receive the latest volume of the organisation's journal, "*Transactions*", in which are published papers based on the ASCHB lectures, conferences, and site visits. The submission of other articles written by members is encouraged.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

The 2024 annual membership fee is £50.

To receive ASCHB's publications, institutions and other bodies may subscribe for the same annual fee.

HOW TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP

Please note that membership is by election of the ASCHB Committee.

To protect the character of ASCHB, its Constitution requires that persons elected to join shall normally be (or have been) engaged professionally in work related to the conservation of historic buildings and monuments. Applications are encouraged from anyone who can show evidence of a distinctive contribution made towards the objectives and aims of ASCHB, whether that be in the form of practical work, research, publication, or other activity. Applications may also be accepted from students, or those seeking employment in a conservation discipline, but such applications should be accompanied by a supporting letter from a tutor or a prospective employer. Applicants are required to sign an undertaking that they will not use their membership for commercial advancement or influence.

If you would like to be considered for membership, the latest application form should be downloaded from the ASCHB website (www.aschb.org.uk/membership), or obtained in hard copy from the Membership Secretary. Please complete this form either electronically or in hard copy as you prefer, and send it – together with a copy of your CV – to the Membership Secretary at the address given on the form. Applications can be accepted by email, or as hard copy if you prefer.

To streamline the application process, we ask that you submit payment for your first year of membership at the same time; if your application is not accepted, this will be immediately refunded to you.

The ASCHB committee will consider your application as soon as possible, and if you are elected you will receive a welcome pack with the latest issue of *Transactions*, and the yearly card giving details of the meetings, site visits and conferences. Details of these can also be found on the website.

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CONSTITUTION

December 1971

(amended December 1973, December 1979, December 1981, and March 2012)

I. OBJECTS

The object of the Association shall be to collate and disseminate knowledge of and information on all aspects of the conservation of historic buildings and sites of archaeological interest, by the following means:

1. Encouraging research and publishing results
2. Collaborating with other societies having similar aims
3. Supporting the establishment of training courses
4. Holding meetings, lectures or exhibitions for members or for the general public.

II. MEMBERSHIP

Membership is normally open to those professionally engaged in the conservation of historic buildings and monuments. Applications shall be sent to the Membership Secretary who will pass them to the Committee for their consideration. Membership is by election of the Committee.

The same shall apply to the election of Honorary Members.

Membership shall not be used for commercial promotion; it is not a qualification and the letters ASCHB are not to be used as a postnominal.

III. PRESIDENT

There shall be a President of the Association who shall hold office for a year at a time, and be nominated by the Committee in time for his appointment to be announced at the AGM.

IV. OFFICERS

The Officers of the Association shall be: Chairman, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer. They shall hold office for a year at a time and be eligible for re-election at the AGM.

Nominations for Officers shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Honorary Secretary two weeks before the AGM, formally proposed and seconded. Election shall be during the meeting by majority vote.

In the event of the death or resignation of an Officer the Committee may co-opt a member of the Association to act as such until the next AGM. V.

COMMITTEE

There shall be nine Committee members who shall hold office for a year at a time, and be elected immediately after the election of officers at the AGM following the same procedure.

The names of the unsuccessful candidates in the ballot for Officers shall be added to the list of nominations for the Committee. The Committee may co-opt such members of the Association as may be necessary for special purposes or to fill vacancies. The quorum of the General Committee shall comprise one-third of its members, and the date of each meeting shall be decided before the previous meeting is closed.

VI. SUBSCRIPTIONS AND FUNDS

There shall be a minimum subscription of £2.00. Any alteration shall be approved by a majority vote at the AGM or at an Extraordinary General Meeting. Subscriptions shall be payable on 1 January and membership shall be deemed to have lapsed if a subscription is unpaid for fifteen months. The subscription of members elected after 1 October in any one year shall cover the following year. Revenue from all sources shall be paid into the general fund.

The President and Honorary Members shall be exempt from payment of the annual subscription.

It shall be possible at the discretion of the General Committee for individuals and organisations to subscribe to the Association's publications without having to be formally proposed and seconded. Such subscribers shall pay such subscription as the General Committee feels proper. The General Committee shall, out of funds of the Association, pay all proper expenses of administration and management of the Association. After the payment of the administration and management expenses and the setting-aside to reserve such sums as may be deemed expedient, the remaining funds of the Association shall be applied by the General Committee to furtherance of the purposes of the Association. The accounts of the previous year shall be presented at the AGM for approval.

VII. MEETINGS AND PUBLICATIONS

There shall be a minimum of five meetings each year including the AGM.

The AGM shall normally be held between December and March each year, and the date, which shall be fixed by the Committee, shall be published to the membership at least one month prior, together with the Agenda. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be held at any time on the initiative of the General Committee, or at the written request of not less than ten members of the Association and shall be subject to the same notice of its agenda and date. The latter shall be fixed by the General Committee to be within two months of the date of the request. At the AGM or Extraordinary General Meeting a quorum shall consist of not less than twenty members.

Publications shall include the Transactions of the Association, which shall be published from time to time.

VIII. AMENDMENTS

The Constitution may be amended by a two-third majority of members at an AGM or Extraordinary General Meeting provided that the amendment is published in full to the Membership, at least one month prior to the meeting.

IX. WINDING UP

In the event of dissolution the available assets shall be transferred to one or more charitable institutions having objects similar to the Association's, chosen by the General Committee and approved by the AGM or Extraordinary General Meeting at which the decision to dissolve is confirmed. Minute books and other records shall be deposited with the RIBA, or a suitable body chosen by the General Committee and approved by the same procedure.

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ASCHB MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY 2024

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2024 FORM: APPLICATION FOR ASCHB

Please complete all pages of this form and return it, together with a copy of your CV, to the Membership Secretary. It is best if you can fill in the form electronically and send it, together with your CV, as email attachments; or if you prefer, you may print the form and fill it in manually (using block capitals, please), sending it and your CV as hard copy to the address above. Please do remember to keep a copy for your own records.

You will also need to submit your first year's payment at the time of your application. Should your application be refused by the Committee, this will be reimbursed to you. The annual subscription fee (which is normally payable in January) is £50. Details of how to pay your subscription can be found on the second page of this form (*overleaf*).

The Committee will consider your submitted application at the next Committee Meeting after your application has been processed, and notify you of the result. If you are accepted to membership, you will be sent your membership number, and a joining pack with information about ASCHB and the latest copy of ASCHB Transactions.

TITLE: FIRST NAME:..... SURNAME:.....

POST NOMINALS:

What name would you like to be addressed by in ASCHB correspondence?

Professional specialism:

Company/Organisation (if applicable):

Please attach your CV, and here give a very brief description of the work you are or have been engaged in, pertaining to the conservation of the historic environment:

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My CV is attached

I confirm that I wish to apply for membership from the Association for Studies in the Conservation of Historic Buildings (ASCHB). In accordance with the Constitution of the Association, I confirm I will not use my membership for commercial advancement or influence (the ASCHB Committee reserves the right to rescind membership in cases of abuse of this rule).

SIGNED:

.....DATE:.....

Preferred mail address for receiving hard-copy communications (including ASCHB Transactions):

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Postcode:..... Country:

Email:.....

ASCHB's preference is to send most information out to members via email. Please tick here to confirm you are happy to receive our ordinary communications via email.

Telephone number(s):.....

(Please note we will telephone you *only* in an emergency, for example if there are last-minute changes to site visits)

ASCHB will keep your details only for the purposes of communicating with you on ASCHB business, and will never pass them on to third parties. Please fill in the attached Consent Form to allow ASCHB to hold and process your personal data.

2024 FORM: APPLICATION FOR ASCHB MEMBERSHIP

PAYMENT

For your membership application to be considered by the ASCHB Committee, you will need to have arranged your first year's subscription payment. Should your application be unsuccessful, this will be immediately reimbursed to you (if you send payment by cheque, the cheque will not be cashed unless your application is accepted).

For 2024 the annual subscription fee is £50 pounds. Payment normally falls due on the 1st January each year. We will notify members well in advance of any changes to our subscription rates.

To cover my first year's fees, I agree to pay £50

TITLE: FIRST NAME: SURNAME:

SIGNED:

..... DATE:

I enclose a cheque (made payable to ASCHB); OR

I have paid by bank transfer:

Date:

Payment Reference: APP/.....

(In the reference field, please include APP/ followed by your initials and surname, so that the Treasurer is able to identify your payment).

Sort code: 09-01-55

Account No: 17910004

Payee: THE ASSOC FOR STUDIES IN THE CONSERVATION OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Bank: Santander, 2 Triton Square, Regent's Place, London NW1 3AN

BIC: ABBYGB2LXXX

IBAN: GB26ABBY09015517910004

CONSENT TO PROCESS PERSONAL DATA

To allow us to process your membership data, please also read, sign and return the attached ASCHB Privacy Policy

I have attached the signed Consent to allow the ASCHB Committee to process my personal data.

DATE OF FORM: MARCH 2024

(PLEASE SIGN OVERLEAF)

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ASCHB PRIVACY POLICY

ASCHB is committed to ensuring that your privacy is protected. The Association is 'data controller' of the personal information you submit to us and is subject to the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). This privacy policy sets out how ASCHB uses and protects any information that you give the Association. The purpose of this Privacy Policy is to fulfil the Association's obligations under the GDPR and tell you how we process your personal information, how we use it, and what your rights are in relation to it.

Promotional emails

If you receive a promotional email from us, we always provide a link to allow you to update your information or unsubscribe at any time.

The personal data that ASCHB holds

- Names and addresses of members
- Contact information, including email addresses
- Membership type (honorary, full, applicant)
- How long the person has been a member
- Who originally proposed the member for membership.
- Demographic information such as postcodes, locations, jobs and contact preferences
- Enquiries (details of enquiries from members)
- Some basic financial information relating to subscriptions, payments for events and publications (we do not retain card details).

How ASCHB obtains personal data

The information we hold is taken from membership application forms and from updates supplied by its members, as well as from details supplied by attendees at ASCHB meetings and conferences.

How ASCHB uses your personal data

We use the personal data we store:

- For administration of membership.
- To contact members, and others on our mailing list, to inform them of ASCHB meetings and conferences. We also sometimes inform members of events conducted by other conservation bodies that may be of professional interest to them.
- We share names and addresses of current members with the publishers of ASCHB Transactions, so they can post the journal out to them.

We *do not* use the information we store to fundraise or campaign.

We *do not* engage in direct marketing, nor sell or share information with others.

We will only ever share your personal information should we be legally required to do so.

How much information does ASCHB collect?

We collect *only* the information we need for the uses noted above.

We *do not* create new personal information.

We *do not* collect data from visits to the website, beyond broad statistical information on the number of visitors to the site.

How long does ASCHB retain personal data?

We hold your information for as long as necessary to administer your membership or relationship with ASCHB.

Application forms are retained in the ASCHB archives (early applications are held in hard copy, and more recently held

in password-protected data storage in PDF format).

Who has access to your ASCHB personal data?

ASCHB has “multiple data controllers”: several Committee members have access to the membership records, but they are password-protected.

Security (protection of information)

Membership information is kept on a secure site, accessible only to a limited number of committee members.

The only personal information we hold on our website are names and email addresses to enable us to provide access to the Members’ Area.

Access for editing the website is limited by password.

Our website contains links to third-party websites that are outside our control, and which are not covered by this privacy policy. If you use a link to access another website, the privacy policy of that third party will apply to any data collected by them.

Accessing the personal data ASCHB holds

A member has the right to request a copy of all the personal data held about them by ASCHB. Requests must be made in writing, and a copy of the information will be sent to that member as soon as possible, and not later than 40 days after the date of receipt of the request.

Should you require this service, please send your written request to information@aschb.org.uk You can also write to our mailbox at Cowcross Street, but this may entail a delay in receipt. The address is:

The Membership Secretary
ASCHB
70 Cowcross Street
London EC1M 6EJ

Updating personal information

If you wish to update or amend your information, please contact the Membership Secretary at the address above, or use the Contact form on the ASCHB web page (www.aschb.org.uk/contact-aschb/).

We monitor ASCHB mail that has been returned to us to check that we have addresses recorded correctly; and when necessary we may use public professional registers (such as those of RIBA and the ARB) to check whether we have your latest address.

CONSENT FOR ASCHB TO PROCESS YOUR PERSONAL DATA

Please confirm that you are happy for us to process your data as described above, and use the boxes below to tell us how you agree to be contacted by ASCHB.

- POST
- EMAIL
- PHONE
- SMS
- SOCIAL MEDIA (for example Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn)

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SIGNATURE & DATE

DATE OF FORM: MARCH 2024