

Summary of TSA Council meeting held on 15th July 2014

- The CCD Scheme Tariffs have been updated to reflect the number of employees per company, instead of turnover. Further details will be sent to members in the 31st July Update.
- Following the Poll on Procurement, Rory has been in contact with Ed Green at the Cabinet Office regarding procurement. A Blog has been written by Rory and is on the TSA website.
- Rory will look into Local Enterprise Partnerships and possible support for SMEs.
- Six applications are currently pending.
- Membership stands at 149 companies.
- The next Discussion Group will be held on 12th November – with the SS Great Britain as the venue. Eight speakers have been confirmed from the Hydrographic Survey Unit, Plymouth University, Environment Agency and Lockton to name a few. Full details will be sent out in October.
- The new exhibition for the survey industry, Geo Business 2014, was held on 28th – 29th May 2014 at the Business Design Centre in London. It was felt that the show was a big success, with good feedback from exhibitors and visitors alike. The 2015 show will be held on 27th and 28th May.
- TSA has issued Press Releases on the Datatag scheme and also PAS128 which have had good exposure.
- The Become a Surveyor website re-design is nearly complete.
- TSA's group on LinkedIn currently has over 2,300 members and is open to non-members. TSA also has over 1,200 followers on Twitter.
- 13 Client Guides are in the final drafting stages.
- PAS128 was launched on 30th June at the ICE in London. Since the launch, TSA's Essential Guide to Utility Surveys document has seen a big increase in downloads.
- TSA's Technical Committee now operates with two sub-committees. Peter Barker chairs the Below Ground Committee and Olivia Masters chairs the Above Ground Committee.
- TSA continues to hold discussions with representatives from what was UMA (Utility Mapping Association) and also the wider industry to bring cohesion and unity to the sector.