Committee news update

AGM

We held a successful AGM at Fort Cumberland in Portsmouth. In addition to those who were able to attend in person we had several people attend via Skype. We thanked our long standing committee members Edmund Lee, Sarah Orr and Ben Wallace for all of their work. The committee was all unanimously voted in, including Hugh Corley (Chair), Colin Forrestal (Secretary), Jeremy Oetgen (Treasurer) and Doug Rock-Macqueen. We look forward to developing plan for the next 3 years as well as organising different events. Please get in touch if you would like to be involved in anyway.

Keith May discussed the Heritage Information Access Strategy or HIAS as they are now progressing through the third stage of their work. This project is looking at how to secure an improved and more cost effective approach to the handling of digital historic environment data by Historic England and our partners in local authority historic environment records. For more information on this project have a look here

Dan Miles followed on with a discussion of the Forum for Information Standards in Heritage and the Historic Environment Information Network or FISH-HEIRNET. This discussion looked at FISH-HEIRNET, how it was set up, the work it supports and how we may be able to work with them in the future to organise event. Here is a link to Dan’s slides. FISH will be holding an open meeting in Edinburgh on 29 November, see below for details.

This was followed by a tour of Fort Cumberland led by Duncan Brown. The fort is only open the public on Heritage Open Days and other pre-arranged tours so this was a real treat. Click here for an excellent write-up from the
FISH Open Meeting

As part of the Forum for Information Standards in Heritage (FISH) meeting in Edinburgh on Tuesday 29 November, we are hosting an Open Session to promote some of the work being undertaken in data standards both in Europe and in Britain.

The meeting will start at 1pm and aim to finish for about 4.15pm.

Registration and further details about the programme are available through Eventbrite (places are limited)

For further details please contact Peter McKeague on peter.mckeague@hes.scot