

## **UK Built Environment Advisory Group (UKBEAG)**

### **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) October 2023**

This MOU is between the undersigned members of The United Kingdom Built Environment Advisory Group (UKBEAG). The UKBEAG is a voluntary collaborative grouping rather than a standalone organisation, comprising UK professional built environment institutes as set out in the accompanying Terms of Reference

This MOU does not create any legally binding obligations or rights between the partners involved. Instead, it serves as a document to express the partners' mutual intentions and aspirations. The partners understand and acknowledge that this MOU does not constitute a legally enforceable contract.

#### **Objective of the UKBEAG**

Working with cross-sector partners, the UKBEAG's objective is to support those grappling with the challenges of the climate and biodiversity emergency, global displacement crisis, post conflict recovery, and rapid urbanisation through advocacy and capacity development, by sharing professional built-environment expertise with UK and foreign governments, humanitarian and development agencies, and Non-Governmental Organisations.

In recognition of the importance of our shared objective, and the impact that can be achieved through collaboration, the undersigned (the "Parties") have agreed to work together.

#### **Scope**

This MOU relates solely to collaborative activity between the members of the UKBEAG undertaken to realise its objective.

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this MOU is to set out the intention of the parties to work collaboratively to achieve UKBEAG's objective. This MOU is not intended to create any legal obligations between the Parties, but rather to establish a framework for cooperation and collaboration.

#### **Collaboration**

The Parties agree to collaborate on projects and initiatives that align with the objective of UKBEAG. In so far as it is able, each party will contribute its expertise and resources to achieve the agreed objective.

The Parties agree to work together in good faith, share information and resources, and work towards achieving the shared objective.

#### **Funding**

The UKBEAG holds no funds. No payments to the UKBEAG are required of its members. Outside any paid-for project, resources and material given to the activities of the UKBEAG by each Party are given freely.

The Parties do agree to make their meeting room facilities available free of charge to enable the meetings and governance of the UKBEAG.

The UKBEAG may seek and undertake paid-for projects that align with its objective. In such cases, the UKBEAG shall unanimously agree upon one constituent member to be the contracting entity, for and on behalf of the UKBEAG.

Within paid-for projects, the allocation of responsibilities and payments among UKBEAG institutes and their members shall be made solely at the discretion of the contracting entity. The contracting entity is, however, expected to seek the advice of the UKBEAG in its execution of project responsibilities.

An example of a paid-for project is the FCDO Global Future Cities Programme.

### **Confidentiality**

The Parties agree to keep confidential any information disclosed during the collaboration that is designated as confidential by the disclosing Party.

### **Duration**

This MOU will be effective from the date of signature by all Parties and will remain in effect for five (5) years. The Parties may agree to extend the MOU in writing.

### **Termination**

Any Party may withdraw from this MOU at any time, by providing written (including email) notice to the UKBEAG Chair.

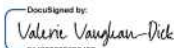
### **Amendment**

This MOU may be amended by written unanimous agreement of the Parties.

### **The Royal Institute of British Architects**

Name: Valerie Vaughan-Dick

Title: Chief Executive


Signature: 

Date: 24-Jan-2024

### **The Royal Town Planning Institute**

Name: Victoria Hills

Title: Ms


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Date: 26-Jan-2024

### **The Institution Of Structural Engineers**

Name: Darren Byrne

Title: Deputy Chief executive

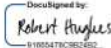
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### **The Landscape Institute**

Name: Robert Hughes

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