SOUTH ISLAND IQP REGISTRATION PANEL

(Independent Qualified Persons)

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At the recent SI IQP Registration Panel AGM I stepped up to become the new Chairperson. Our thanks goes to Simon Tonkin – Invercargill City who has presided over these meetings since 2006. If you read Simon's Annual Report you will appreciate what has been achieved under his guidance and leadership. I have very big shoes to fill.

It is not good enough to do what you have always done, in the field of the IQP. Improvements standards and expectations are continuously being raised. This also applies to the quality and Information provided by the Territorial Authority on Compliance Schedules.

On behalf of the SI IQP Registration Panel I wish you and your family a Safe, Happy and Joyous Christmas.

Raewyn

Raewyn Kinnis









References:

When completing a reference to support an application for SI IQP registration <u>please</u> ensure that it is relevant to the specified system that the person is applying for and actually provide details on what and how much you have supervised or worked together. Vagueness is not doing the applicant any favours.

Applications to become IQP registered:

It was disappointing that at the last SI IQP Registration Panel meeting the majority of applications were declined or further information requested due to In-adequate details, irrelevant references or not having the appropriate work experience. Please take more care when completing applications and remember the more <u>relevant</u> information the better, therefore facts and supporting documentation is important.

NB. The next SI IQP Panel meeting is 22nd February 2018

Interesting facts/stats:

The secretary noted that in the 2015 year 17 existing IQP's applied for additional systems and there were 46 new applications, with 36 new IQP's being approved and 17 removed.

In the 2016 year 32 existing IQP's applied for additional systems and there were 95 new applications, with 75 new IQP's being approved, and 43 removed.

2017 year - 29 existing IQP's applied for additional systems and there were 65 new applications, with 49 new IQP's being approved – and 31 removed.

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It was sad to be advised that Terry Reynolds, IQP in Nelson lost his life while working on a lift in October. In an Industry that is here to protect people's safety it is very sobering when losing an IQP in a work related accident. Sincere condolences to his family and friends.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2016 – 2017

21 November 2017

Another year has rolled around again, and the IQP register continues to function well.

A special thanks over the year goes to our secretary Mary, who makes sure all applications are vetted, letters sent out, reminders to all IQPs and Council staff and all the associated paperwork that goes with the secretary's role.

Our thanks also to all the member Councils who send staff and to the staff who attend the IQP meetings, travelling in all sorts of weather to get to Timaru on time and ready to work. And thanks to Council staff who participate with opinions and decisions.

Without all of this support the IQP register would not work.

During the year we have heard our first complaint and made a decision that affects an IQP. The process worked well, and no doubt the members who were on the panel learnt quite a lot about the process.

We have changed our application forms to have a question area on the Building Act and the warrant process, so that the Panel is able to better assess the competence of the applicants

The application process and competency checking is a vital part of the process and it is especially pleasing to see how well it is working.

On a sadder note, this year I will be stepping down as Chair. I started back in about 2006 as acting Chair. At that time IQPs were not mentioned in the Building Act as they were going to become LBPs. When this didn't happen, as a group we had to come up with a Constitution and a complaints procedure so that we could comply with the new provisions of the Act.

I have enjoyed my time as Chair and I am especially proud that as a group we managed to stick together. All of the South Island Councils have acted as one, trying to get and keep consistency in approach, including the approval and withdrawal process for IQPs.

I wish the new chair all the best and hope that all South Island Councils continue to see the merits of staying together. I also hope that we can keep a consistent approach on how all Councils deal with building warrant of fitness issues and enforcement.

Thankyou to all the members and councils that have supported me in my time as chair –

Simon Tonkin