



Joint Technical Consultative Committee Meeting (JTCC) Bil.1/2022

JTCC Meeting Bil.1/2022 was held on 23rd February 2022, chaired by Deputy Premier of Sarawak and Minister for Public Health, Housing and Local Government (MPHLG), YB Dato Sri Dr. Sim Kui Hian. Many issues had been discussed and deliberated during the JTCC Meeting and we wish to highlight some of the salient points as follows:

- Enforcement of illegal building usage, construction and operations
- Simplified and standardized procedure for temporary conversion of residential to another usage
- Proposed amendments to Sarawak Building Ordinance, 1994
- e-Submission and registration of Qualified Person (QP) under the SBO
- Proposed Building Exemption Order for owner-occupied building
- Issues related to SUSToM requirements for planning and building plan submission
- Implementation of Strata Management Ordinance 2019

Dr Sim Kui Hian is at Raia Hotel & Convention Centre - Kuching
23 February at 21:34 · Kuching · 🌐

1st Joint Technical Consultative Committee (JTCC) with Professional Architects & Engineers with Ministry Local Government (Councils, DID, Bomba, L&S) after 2 years of COVID19. 联合技术咨询委员会会议, #邀请私人界专业人士咨询共同草拟法律 (修正或新法律)。

Rejuvenated after I became Minister for Local Government in 2016.

Invited the professionals with us in drafting of laws (amendment or new), not just to make work process as easier as possible esp thru the digital platform but also to ensure the law are keeping up with time (thanks all the stakeholders for helping us to draft Strata Title Management Bills 2019 which will come into force 1 March 2022).

One of YB most important duty is legislate (make) law in the Dewan (chamber) of Parliament.

We had a lot of works to do as we have very ambitious planning to achieve by 2030.

- 📄 Amendment of Sarawak Building Ordinance 1994 (autonomy from Federal)
- 📄 Housing Development (control & licensing) ordinance 2013, Housing Development Regulations 2015
- 📄 Building Exemptions Order...

Together, let's #majulahSarwak

经历2年冠病疫情后的首场 联合技术咨询委员会会议, 邀请专业人士共同草拟法律 (修正或新法律)。私人界专业建筑师和工程师与地方政府 (地方议会、水利灌溉局、消防局和土地与测量局) 交流与咨询。

人民代议士最重要职责之一是在议会殿堂立法, 欲实现砂拉越2030年宏愿, 我们还有很多工作需要完成, 包括修正1994年砂拉越建筑条例 (从联邦下放权力)、2013年房屋发展 (管控和执照) 条例、2015年房屋发展条例以及建筑豁免令等等。

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Screenshot from Facebook's post by YB Dato Sri Dr Sim reporting on the JTCC Meeting.

Reviewing of Part X of Land Code

PAMSC was invited to a review lab by the Ministry of Urban Development and Natural Resources (MUDeNR) on Part X of the Sarawak Land Code. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the review lab was postponed until further notice. PAMSC Practice & Government Liaison Sub-committee (PGL) take this opportunity to collect feedback from members pertaining to issues relating to development and sub-division of land. Some key topics under Part X of the Sarawak Land Code are as follows:

- State Planning Authority
- Procedure for application for subdivision and development of land

- Period of approval
- Procedure following approval of plan
- Surrender of public road and car park
- Delegation of power
- Rules

You may download a copy of the Sarawak Land Code [here](#). Please submit your feedback to info@pamsc.org.my before 31st March 2022.

Thanks.



LEARNING 5 SOFTWARE IN 1 HOUR

On the 26th of February 2022, PAMSC and GARISPXL.CO co - organized a free Software Learning Session on PAMSC's online Zoom and Facebook platforms. There were three invited speakers from GARISPXL.CO, namely Mr Fahmie Marghos, Mr Eyas Zenko and Ts Firdauz Ahmad. The event was moderated by Mr. Jonathan Matthias Sia, our student co-opt who is pursuing his 3rd year Architectural Bachelor studies at University Technology Sarawak (UTS).

A total of 54 participants attended the two-hour event via our Zoom Webinar and our Facebook Live Feed. The session started with Mr Fahmie Marghos articulating the salient function of AutoCAD. This was followed by Mr Eyas Zenko demonstrating the video editing capabilities of Adobe Premiere Pro. Lastly, Ts Firdauz Ahmad provided a walkthrough for Sketchup, Artlantis and Lumion to produce an exemplary set of 3D renderings.

At the conclusion of the session, GARISPXL announced an extended tutorial session which will be held on 19th March 2022. An early bird promotional price of RM 10 is offered to PAM members who register before 8th March 2022, while the regular price, as well as the non - member price, is set at RM 30. A quiz was also conducted at the completion of the above session. Initially, three winners who were the fastest to provide the correct answers were to be given free entry to the extended session. However, and to our surprise, two participants answered one of the questions at the same time, thus resulting in four winners in total! We will like to congratulate the four winners, namely Jabez, Patrick, Hong Kok Kiong and Marsh0109.

Lastly, we will like to thank our sponsor of the above event, IMETAL SDN BHD, for their contribution in making this event come to fruition.

21 THINGS YOU WON'T LEARN IN ARCHITECTURE SCHOOL

by Adrian Dobson

A chartered architect, writer and researcher; currently Director of Practice at the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA). His architectural practice experience has primarily been in the education and community sectors, and he has also taught in higher education and carried out research in building information modelling (BIM).

As RIBA Director of Practice, much of his recent activity has been focused on supporting the development and promotion of the new RIBA Plan of Work 2013, the key design and construction process map used throughout the UK construction industry and internationally.

"21 things you won't learn in architecture school" is a self-help guide for the budding and emerging architect, which draws lessons from psychology, sociology, marketing, economics and resource management, all of which are highly relevant to success in architecture.

Book Review by Scott Mullins (Extracted from RIBA Journal)

Anyone about to embark on an architectural education knows one thing for certain - it'll be at least seven years before you can even call yourself an architect. Surely there must be something someone can tell you about what it's like to actually be an architect, right?

Luckily, *21 Things You Won't Learn in Architecture School*, sets out to put an end to that, with a handy list of 21 things that seem obvious, but that most architecture graduates, never actually thought about for the largest part of that gruelling seven-year stint.

1. IN ARCHITECTURE, IT'S A LONG ROAD TO SUCCESS

Unlike premiership footballers, rock musicians and reality television show contestants, few architects can achieve a high profile in the early part of their careers.

2. THERE IS MORE THAN ONE TYPE OF SUCCESSFUL ARCHITECT

A track record of successful project delivery, deep knowledge of a particular client sector or specialist building type, the development of a particular culture or approach to working with clients and stakeholders, or networking skills can be the keys to opening the doors to work streams.



3. ARCHITECTURAL PRACTICES COME IN MANY FORMS

It is good to remember that the protean nature of the architecture profession gives plenty of options for personal growth and career development, and you need not feel constrained by a single model of what practice might be. We are spoilt for choice.

4. ARCHITECTURE DOESN'T EXIST IN A VACUUM

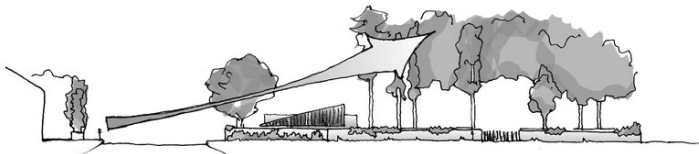
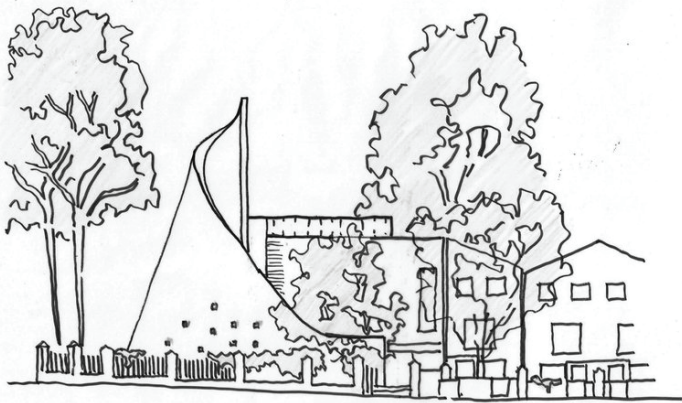
'As an architect you are living in the world of ideas. You need to understand the people; the places; the city' - Simon Allford

5. YOU NEED TO DEVELOP INTERESTS BEYOND ARCHITECTURE

Of course, the practice of architecture requires both an in-depth understanding of the process of designing and making buildings and also a broad knowledge of the vast array of economic, sociological and environmental factors that influence the context in which the practice of architecture takes place.

6. ARCHITECTS THINK DIFFERENTLY

It is important to remember that architects do think differently, and this exceptional strength mustn't be allowed to turn into a weakness.



7. SPEAK IN A LANGUAGE YOUR AUDIENCE UNDERSTANDS

Any standard business textbook will tell you that high-level creative and technical skills and specialist knowledge are essential to achieve progress in the early stages of a professional career, but it is the less tangible soft skills around communication and human relations that are key to unlocking access to join the higher levels of leadership in firms and organisations.

8. ARCHITECTS ALWAYS WORK IN TEAMS

Architects work in teams in their own practices, with other consultants in the design team, with client teams, with contractors and specialist sub-contractors ... and the list goes on.

9. TEAMS NEED LEADERS

'You need leaders, but this industry is all about collaboration and so the ego needs to be both expressed and suppressed at different times' - Simon Allford

10. ARCHITECTURE IS A BUSINESS

'In the end there has to be a profit motivation if a practice is to survive and thrive, and a comprehension of some basic business skills can be applied in many ways' - Tim Bailey

11. ARCHITECTS CAN LEARN BUSINESS SKILLS

As an architect, it is important to learn about business as early as you can in your career, and there is no lack of opportunity to do so.

12. ARCHITECTS HAVE TO SELL AND NEGOTIATE

Effective sales and marketing is a driver for all successful businesses. And yet, architectural practices typically underinvest in this activity, often leaving it to chance or serendipity.

13. WORK OUT WHAT KIND OF ARCHITECT YOU WANT TO BE AND PLAY TO YOUR STRENGTHS

There is nothing wrong in recognising that not every aspect of architectural life is of interest to you or where your own personal qualities will best equip you to contribute.

14. COMMUNICATE YOUR UNIQUE MESSAGE

What is special about you? What differentiates you from others? What can you offer that can't be found elsewhere? None of these are easy questions to answer, but answered they must be if you are to define your message.

15. YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND FEES

When pitching for work and negotiating fees, how best should the architect set out the relationship between the services to be delivered, the resources and expertise required and the value added to the project?

16. FOCUS ON PEOPLE AND PROCESS, NOT PRODUCT

'We perhaps don't talk enough about architecture being a service industry, which after all it is' - Kay Hyde

17. KEEP UP TO DATE WITH NEW TECHNOLOGY AND NEW THINKING

'All industries have to be acutely aware of both threats and opportunities. We can't afford to be old-fashioned in our outlook or trapped by tradition' - Caroline Buckingham

18. LOOK AFTER YOUR PERSONAL BRAND AND NETWORKS

Architects are beginning to think much more deeply about what their brands signify to potential clients and what value they carry.

19. PRIZES MATTER - DON'T THEY?

'Winning awards is very nice, but somehow endorsements from your peers are not quite as personal as reactions from your clients' - Kay Hyde

20. CONSTRUCTION SOMETIMES INVOLVES CONFLICT AS WELL AS COLLABORATION

Deal with issues before they become sources of conflict and you may be able to turn adversaries back into partners; but make sure that you keep accurate records of all that you do just in case!

21. THERE IS NO ARCHITECTURE WITHOUT DESIGN

The case being made that architects should not cede territory to others and should continue to maintain a broad range of skills and interests is not an argument for neglect of design and commitment to design quality in buildings. (E)

WE ARE OPENING OUR BORDERS



In line of the recent re-opening of our State borders to visitors, we are following suit, by making it easier for non-Sarawakians to contribute articles, feature their projects and share their voices in our newsletter.

Previously, submissions are limited to projects in Sarawak, or projects elsewhere by Sarawakians architects. In the recent years, we have extended our reach to include projects by local designers, artists and community leaders. At that same time, we started publishing articles in Bahasa Malaysia and Mandarin (these are translated for our website version).

At the height of the first MCO, we made the decision to stop printing our newsletter and switch completely to a digital format, released fortnightly. This nimble format was a success; finding new readership amongst students and the general public, and most importantly reaching our fellow architects in West Malaysia, who in turn gave us much support and encouragement. This is one of the reasons to share with all of you our platform to showcase your work, opinions and thoughts. Send your drafts to intersection.editorial@gmail.com or call me.

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