## Actions from BOF12 8<sup>th</sup> June 2004

Issue	Description	Actor	Status
Older metal bridges project	The Chairman reported that Graham Cole, the BOF representative on the Project Board, wishes to stand down and suggested that John Clarke (Rail Property Limited) be invited to join this CIRIA Board instead. This was agreed. Other BOF members of the Board are Brian Bell, Rod Howe and Edward Bunting	Chairman	Done  John Clarke agreed to chair
CINTEC Arch strengthening reports	Graham Cole referred to a presentation and report by Gifford on supplementary load testing 'before and after treatment'. It was agreed the Chairman would ask Gifford and CINTEC if the report could be made available for publication on the BOF web site.	Chairman	Done Reports available on website
	Attention was drawn to the existence of three other manufacturers (Bersche Rolt, MARS and Helifix) of similar systems. It was agreed the Chairman would approach these manufacturers to ask if they would like to provide technical (not publicity) information on their systems for inclusion on the BOF website.	Chairman	Bersche Rolt and Helifix contacted.
Metal fatigue research	Brian Bell reported that research at Surrey University on the probability of fatigue failure in metal bridges is producing encouraging results and has enabled identification of critical locations. The Chairman asked if the reports on the project could be made available for inclusion on the BOF website. Brian Bell agreed to look into this.	Brian Bell	Following a recent review meeting several important issues were identified that require further work or clarification before the preliminary results can be considered fit for wider distribution. A further review meeting is planned for November 2004, which will be reported to the next BoF and, if appropriate, a summary of the findings to date will be made available.

Highways Agency	The tabled spreadsheet listing ongoing and new 2004/05 research projects was reviewed. The BOF felt it would be useful to have more information on some projects, particularly the new projects on substandard shear reinforcement and remote monitoring. The Chairman agreed to seek more information from Ben Sadka	Chairman	
	In response to a question about the review of BD44, the Chairman agreed to express BOF interest in the exercise	Chairman	
Research by Atkins	Graham Cole drew attention to the projects being undertaken by Atkins for CSS and others. The Chairman agreed to ask Atkins (in time for the 28 September BOF meeting) for information on the work they expect to go forward into the coming year.	Chairman	Request made to N. Shetty
Bridge Owners Forum	The Chairman reported that David Yeoell had suggested that Richard McFarlane of the London Borough of Kingston be invited to join the Forum to give more input from the London area since he (David Yeoell) has not been able to attend Forum meetings regularly	Chairman	Done
	The Chairman reported that he has invited someone from EPSRC to the next meeting and he will also ask someone from DTI	Chairman	EPSRC attending this meeting
	The Chairman reported he is trying to arrange a first International Bridges forum meeting in June 2005.	Chairman	Need names
	The Chairman reported that an international group is holding a workshop in Cambridge at Jesus College on 27 September on 'Monitoring and Sustainable Management of Ageing Infrastructure'. BOF members may be invited to attend. The Chairman agreed to let members know the arrangements for the workshop and the BOF meeting immediately following	Chairman	Done
	The next meetings of the Forum will be held on:	All	
	<ul><li>Tuesday 11th January 2005</li><li>Tuesday 14, 21 or 28 JUNE 2005</li></ul>		
	members were asked to advise the Chairman of their availability on these dates.		