



APM Risk SIG  
Annual Chair's Report 2018-2019

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**THE CHARTERED BODY FOR THE  
PROJECT PROFESSION**



## APM Risk Specific Interest Group

- Founded in 1986, the APM Risk SIG has been at the heart of project risk practice in the UK
- Dual mandate:
  - To develop and drive best and leading practice for risk practitioners
  - To spread the gospel of project risk management to other project professionals

## Our Vision and Mission

- **Risk SIG vision:**
  - A world in which all projects understand and can manage the uncertainties and risks they face on the route to success
- **Risk SIG mission:**
  - To provide leadership to the movement of committed organisations and individuals who share our passion for embedding risk-based thinking at every point on the project journey

## Our take on risk management

- **"Risk management is a process that allows individual risk events and overall risk to be understood and managed proactively, optimising success by minimising threats and maximising opportunities."**

***APM Body of Knowledge, 6th edition, section 3.5***



## Overview

- Over 2018-19 the APM Risk SIG has continued to build on the successes of previous years, culminating in our highly successful annual conference in March.
- While we intend to continue further improving our in-person knowledge sharing, our main focus for 2019-20 will be a number of thought leadership initiatives, including a series of webinars and publications.

# Committee 2018/19

- [Derek Wright](#): Chair
- [Keith Harrison](#): Secretary
- [Jon Capon](#): Committee member
- [Estelle Detrembleur](#): Committee member
- [Kenneth Evans](#): Committee member
- [Helen Fletcher](#): Committee member
- [Keith Gray](#): Committee member
- [Sara Hasani](#): Committee member
- [Kevin Kane](#): Committee member
- [Tony McDonald](#): Committee member
- [Peter Simon](#): Committee member
- [Robert Webb](#): Committee member
- [Richard Bendall-Jones](#): Co-opted member

## Briefing to Project Managers

- Webinar on “[QSRA – An Introduction for risk/planning professional and decision-makers](#)” (run March 2019)
- Committee members spoke at various external events over the year.
- In 2019-2020 we intend on delivering more events to non-specialist and joint events with other SIGs, through the branches.



## Briefing to Project Leadership

- APM runs high-level discussion events for Corporate Members
- We are planning on delivering further events supporting APM Corporate over 2019-2020.

## Briefing to Risk Professionals

- Annual conference, “Using Risk to Influence the Future”, was held March 2019 in Birmingham
- Keynote speaker: David Hancock
- Lectures and workshops from leading practitioners, consultants, and theorists

## Refreshing the PRAM Guide

- Project Risk Analysis and Management Guide: first published in 1992
- Our core text, and a core text for risk professionals around the UK and the world
- Initial work has been undertaken on planning a refresh to bring the PRAM Guide in line with modern practice
- Early planning is ongoing as to when this could be republished.

## Further thought leadership

- In addition to the refresh of the PRAM Guide, over 2018-2019 we will be increasing our focus on thought leadership in other areas.
- These range from blog posts on the APM website to formal journal articles.
- If you've got ideas for what you'd like to read about (or even better: write!), let us know



## Any questions?

- If you'd like to get involved in any way with the APM's Risk SIG, we'd love to hear from you.
- For more information, or just for a chat about risk, email the APM SIG Chair on:
  - [risksig@apm.org.uk](mailto:risksig@apm.org.uk)
- I look forward to hearing from you.