



CONSORTIA WORKING GROUP

Members from each of the seven consortiums throughout Scotland make up this group with both management and technical expertise. The group plays a wide role in gathering and sharing common working practices as referenced by the undernoted objectives.

The group monitors and oversees the development of the STAS and registered details schemes. Given the customer links between Scotland and the rest of the UK the group also has a development role with LABC to maximise the benefits joint and cross border working.

All of this work is carried out to target local authority and LABSS services including:-

- **Partnership schemes**
- **STAS**
- **Registered details**
- **LABSS information papers**
- **Training**

Objectives of Consortia

1. To provide a forum for the discussion and promotion of local authority Building Standards and allied matters and, where necessary, to promote action thereon.
2. To help promote uniformity of interpretation and application of the Building Acts, Building Standards and other relevant Scotland legislation across the geographical area of the consortia and where appropriate Scotland wide.
3. To arrange, where necessary, for the dissemination and collation of information concerning Building Standards and allied matters.
4. To provide a means whereby the knowledge and experience of individual consortia members can be made available to other consortia members and, where appropriate the Scottish Government, national agencies and other relevant organisations.
5. To provide a means whereby the knowledge and experience of individual consortia members can be made available to applicants and agents who are in a legitimate dispute with a consortia member.
6. To promote a culture of continuous improvement and the achievement of best value principles in the delivery of a local authority Building Standards service.
7. To promote partnership working to ensure that support from fellow Consortia members is given in the first instance to deliver satisfactory performance in respect of statutory Key Performance Outcomes across all Consortia members.
8. To promote and where necessary carry out work on behalf of LABSS to ensure the success of the Scottish Type Approval Scheme (STAS).