

World Urban Parks - 2018 Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) for World Urban Parks was held electronically from 24th August to 31st August. The AGM is always held via electronic survey so that all members will have six days to participate at their convenience.

The AGM provides an opportunity for members to see, comment on and approve:

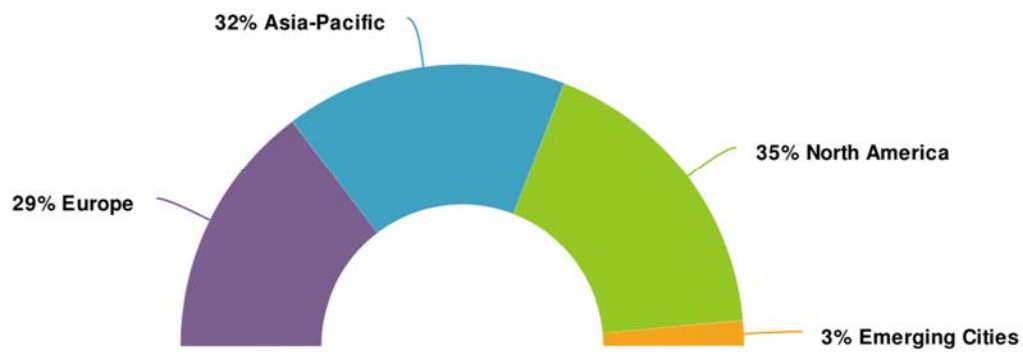
- Board appointments
- the annual report of World Urban Parks for the 2017/18 year
- the audited financial reports for the 2017/18 year
- the appointment of the auditor and terms of that appointment

34 World Urban Parks members participated in the AGM and thus a quorum was achieved as required.

They presented a very even balance reflecting our membership categories:



And all our key regions were well represented:




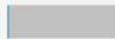
AGM Decisions

The AGM approved the following:

1. Board Appointment were noted:

Value	Percent
Yes	97.1%
No	2.9%

2. The Annual Report was approved with one comment regarding the correct names for a committee.

Value		Percent
Yes		97.1%
Yes - Subject to my comments		2.9%

3. The Audited Financial Statements for 2017-2018 were approved

Value		Percent
Yes		97.1%
No		2.9%

That the Auditor - Crowe Horwath, and their fee of \$3,500 NZD (exclusive of GST and disbursements)? (\$2,300 USD or \$2,025 Euro) were approved

Value		Percent
Yes		100.0%

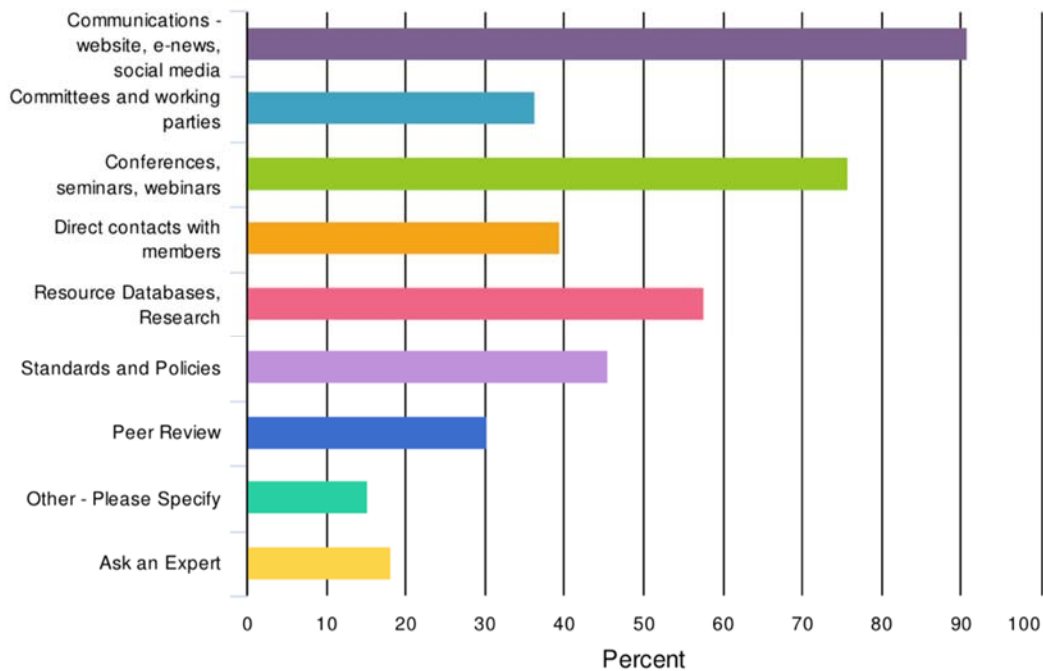
AGM Membership Survey

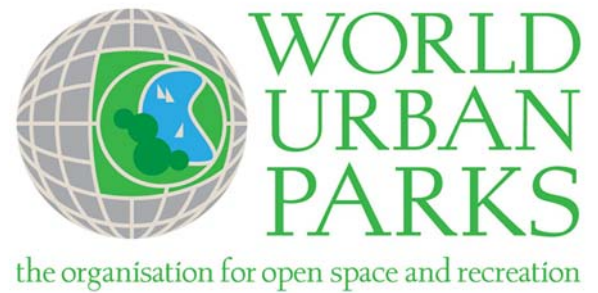
As part of the 2018 AGM, members completed a survey regarding key services they are seeking, which areas they would like to participate in and how they would like to participate. The details are in the attachment.

Key Services

The three key services our Members seek are:

- Communications – Knowledge sharing
- Conferences, Seminars and Webinars
- Resource Database and Research





World Urban Park Response:

We are building a new web and Membership platform that will have the following Member benefits:

- Knowledge Centre
- Ask an Expert
- Peer review program and
- Speakers Corner

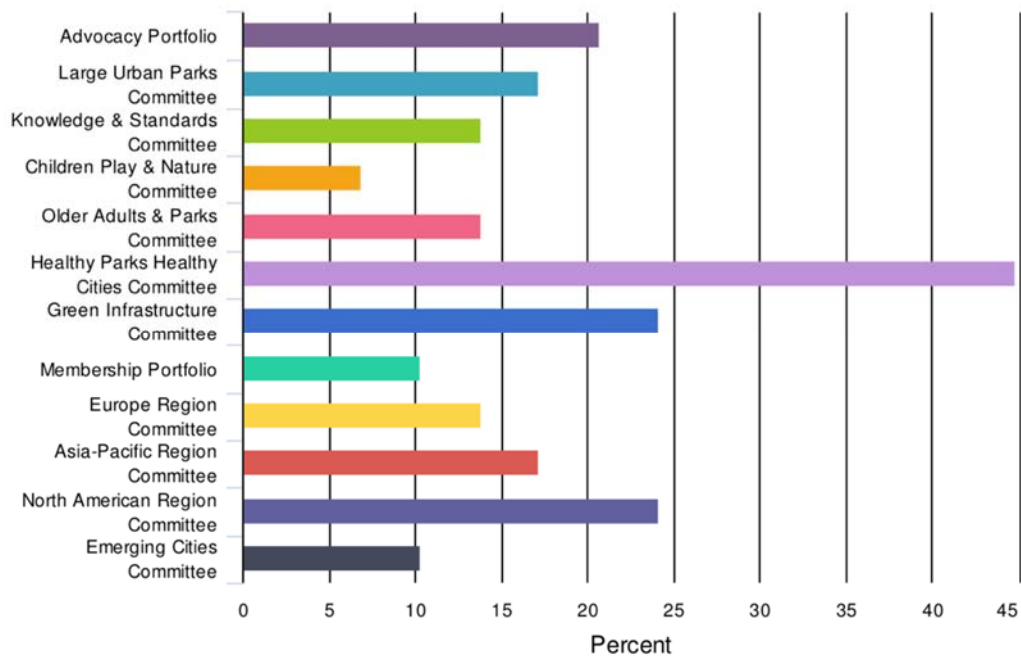
- An Event hub to include better integration with our Partners and conferences, Webinars with World Parks Academy and Roundtables

Over the last 12 months we have improved and upgraded our Communications especially through regular Newsletters and through Social Media and there is a wealth of ideas concepts and insights on our Facebook and Twitter handles. We are hosting more Webinars through World Parks Academy and are discussing with key National Organisations the better distribution of their journals and magazines to a global audience.

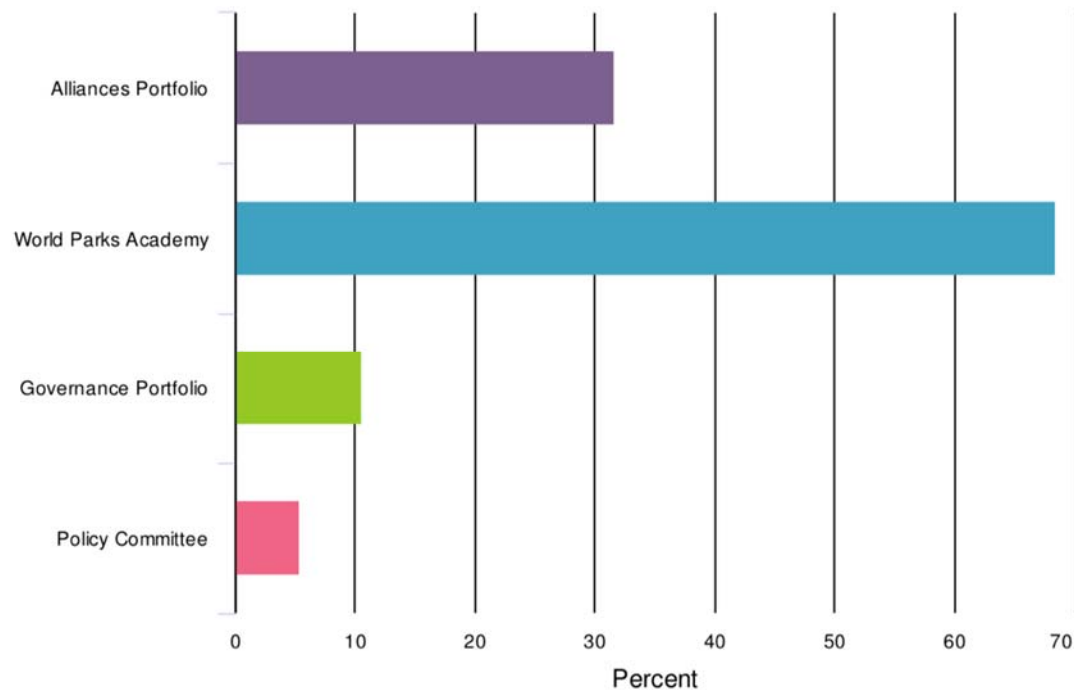
Key Areas of Participation

There were very broad support and interest in all our key portfolio and committees and the four key areas of participation are:

- Portfolio: Advocacy
- Committees:
 - Healthy Parks Healthy Cities
 - Green Infrastructure
- Regions: North America



Our Members also indicated very strong interest in participating in the following areas of focus for World Urban parks: Alliance Portfolio, World Parks Academy, Governance Portfolio and Policy Development.



World Urban Park Response:

It is clear that we have established the right mix of Portfolio and Committees, generally focused on the right areas. A number of the Portfolios and Committees are in their early stages of development such as the Green Infrastructure and we would be delighted for individuals to join and shape this committee. There are also numerous opportunities to participate and with the new Membership system that we are developing it will provide a better platform for these Portfolio and Committee groups to function as well as enabling easier participation by our members.

Key areas of Leadership

The AGM Survey enabled individuals to indicate in what type of role they would like to participate and there was strong support to not just be involved but to be involved in a range of roles.



We have numerous opportunities so just contact the Secretariat or CEO if you wish to follow up on these opportunities.