



## Planning for Sustainable Buildings

# Welsh Future Homes

Ebbw Vale

£ FREE

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March @ 14.00 – 16.30pm

**Young Planners Cymru** are pleased to invite you to our second event of 2011. In association with Blaenau Gwent County Council and BRE Wales we are inviting young planners across Wales to visit this unique development of sustainable buildings at the *Welsh Future Homes* site in Ebbw Vale.

The Assembly Government's planning for sustainable building national planning policy introduced in 2009 sets out expectations for new buildings to meet higher sustainable building standards using the Code for Sustainable Homes and BREEAM. As local planning authorities and developers start to implement the new policy this event will give young planners first hand experience of the kind of sustainable buildings that are likely to emerge in Wales.

One of the homes on the site has been designed to meet Level 6 of the Code for Sustainable Homes, making it a zero carbon home – the first to be achieved in Wales. For further information see <http://www.bre.co.uk/page.jsp?id=2275>

The *Welsh Future Homes* project is aimed at the construction industry and householders in Wales, as it will act as an education resource for informing the public on how to live in low energy housing. It will also provide inspiration on how to live a greener lifestyle. For the construction industry, it will provide guidance on how to design and construct low energy housing and it will showcase local materials and products. For planning professionals, it will provide useful context for what features and design may emerge in Wales.

The event will include a talk and discussion from BRE Wales, Welsh Assembly Government and Blaenau Gwent County Council followed by a guided tour of the houses with plenty of opportunity for questions and discussion.

Due to available space, numbers for each of these events is **limited to 15 delegates**. Further events at the *Welsh Future Homes* project may be planned if there is considerable demand.

### How to Book:

Only 15 spaces are available for this event, places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Please email your name and company name to [info@youngplannerscymru.org.uk](mailto:info@youngplannerscymru.org.uk) to reserve a place.

### Travel:

Delegates are expected to make their own way to the venue. Further travel details, including car sharing opportunities will be provided once places have been allocated.

