

RTPI West Midlands 2012 Season Ticket for CPD events



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2012 Season Ticket for CPD events

To help members plan their CPD & book places at a discount RTPI West Midlands has introduced a season ticket for the majority of the CPD events the region organises each year.

The topics included in the 2012 season ticket are listed below along with a date, time (am or pm), venue & brief description. Full details will be circulated about a month before each seminar.

All seminars will be half-day with lunch and purchased individually will cost £50 + VAT each for RTPI members, £60 + VAT for non-members or £20 + VAT for full-time students & the unwaged.

The season tickets will cost

£220 + VAT for 5 places paid for in advance (saving £30 + VAT)

£460 + VAT for 11 places paid for in advance (saving £90 + VAT)

Purchasers of season tickets will be asked on booking which seminars will be attended. Places can be used at one or different seminars.

Topics, Dates & Venues for the RTPI West Midlands 2012 Season Ticket CPD Programme

Planning Law Update

Thursday 2 February (am) - Offices of DLA Piper, Birmingham

A seminar led by planning lawyers on topical legal issues, new and emerging legislation and guidance, recent case law and appeal decisions plus the significance and impacts of all of these.

Development Management & Delivery

Wednesday 21 March (pm) - Offices of HCA, 5 St Phillips Place, Birmingham

ATLAS will provide an interactive workshop, focussed on how local authorities, developers and all those involved in the development industry need to work together to deliver the new agenda for growth balanced with localism. ATLAS will draw on their portfolio of work across a multitude of large scale projects to create discussion and involvement around the topical issues affecting the delivery, through the planning system, of quality places.



Localism & Neighbourhood Plans

Wednesday 25 April (pm) - Birmingham

The English planning system is at a significant crossroads at the moment with the current reforms that are proposed by the Coalition Government in the Localism Act and the draft National Planning Policy Framework. These changes pose some opportunities but also some significant challenges for the operation of the planning system. This seminar will explore some of the potential implications that the localism and neighbourhood planning agendas will have on the future practice of planning.

LEPs & Regeneration

Wednesday 16 May (pm) - Offices of Walsall MBC

The Coalition Government has introduced a new approach to economic development in England which will give businesses and local communities the freedom they need to drive growth. Key to this approach are Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs). At this event you will hear from representatives from Central Government and some of the LEPs in the Region.

NPPF & the Future of Strategic Planning

Friday 1 June (pm) - Offices of Walsall MBC

With Planning and the NPPF receiving significant coverage in the national and local press and the expectations of Local Authorities to deliver sustainable development the seminar will be an opportunity to discuss the latest strategic issues affecting the West Midlands and strategic planning. The response to consultations is expected in April and further legislation is expected in early 2012 so the seminar will aim to reflect and understand how to develop in, perhaps, a changed environment.

The Role of Councillors in ensuring Quality Design

Wednesday 20 June (pm) - Lichfield Council Chamber

This workshop will focus on the role that Councillors can and should play in achieving quality design through the planning process. Using examples from all scales of development the workshop will explore the legal basis of design as a material consideration; an understanding of how to look for good design in planning applications; and how Councillors can influence design through the democratic process. Whilst primarily aimed at elected Members, this workshop will also be relevant to planning practitioners in order to give a better understanding of the role that Councillors play and how to assist.

Re-Discovering the Rural

Wednesday 18 July (pm) - Worcestershire County Council Countryside Centre plus site visits.

The on-going debate about planning reforms provides a contemporary relevance and priority to this seminar on re-discovering the rural dimension in planning. Often overlooked, set within a resource planning system where agriculture and forestry dominate land use but with the rural policy context rapidly changing, we seek to rejuvenate rural economies. The guiding principle that the "countryside must be conserved for its own sake" is increasingly challenged. This seminar will look at the multifunctional countryside through a guided tour around Worcestershire. By meeting key players, participants will understand the contemporary pressures and opportunities facing rural areas, economies, communities and the environment.

Design Quality in Neighbourhood Planning

Wednesday 19 September (am) - Offices of HCA, 5 St Phillip's Place, Birmingham

Localism presents many challenges and opportunities in achieving design quality. On the one hand it potentially raises the importance and knowledge of local distinctiveness but also has the potential to magnify local opinions and preferences about what constitutes 'good design'. The purpose of the event will be to explore those challenges and opportunities and to consider ways in which design quality can be achieved in neighbourhood planning.



Planning Law Update

Wednesday 3 October (am) - Offices of DLA Piper, Birmingham

A seminar led by planning lawyers on topical legal issues, new and emerging legislation and guidance, recent case law and appeal decisions plus the significance and impacts of all of these.

Energy

Wednesday 24 October (am) - in association with BCU, Millennium Point, Birmingham

This seminar will provide an update on the recent GPDO amendments and other emerging Government initiatives to encourage the generation of a greater proportion of the energy needs for our homes and industries from on-site renewable sources. The Seminar will also provide examples of local energy projects (including CHP and District Heating Systems) and offer good practice/experiences of the planning system in securing integrated energy infrastructure.

CIL Charging Schedules - one year on from adoption

Wednesday 14 November (am) - Offices of Irwin Mitchell, Birmingham

With a number of Local Authorities having adopted their charging schedules and more in the process of either preparing their charging schedules or considering whether to go down the CIL route, this event will explore CIL and its practical implementation. Delegates will hear from both local authority and private developer representatives and their experiences to date. In addition there will be a planning law update focusing on recent appeal decisions relating to the application of CIL.

These season ticket seminars are not the only events RTPI West Midlands will be organising in 2012. There will be a few additional CPD seminars and certainly some social events.

Dates which are already set:

- Thursday 19 January **Planning for Growth in the West Midlands – How the Planning Portal can help**, Austin Court, Birmingham
- Thursday 26 January **The Great Regional Debate**, Thinktank lecture theatre, Millennium Point, Birmingham,
- Friday 10 February, **Planning for Non-Planners**, Birmingham
- Monday 21 May, **AGM**
- Friday 13 July **Awards Ceremony Dinner & Ball**, Birmingham Botanical Gardens,
- Tuesday 18 & Wednesday 19 September **RTPI President's visit to the West Midlands Region**

Look out for the fliers about these events which will be circulated nearer these dates or email westmidlands@rtpi.org.uk for more information.

How to book for RTPI West Midlands 2012 Season Ticket seminars

Please print out and fill in the form below (Word version available on request) and email it to westmidlands@rtpi.org.uk or post to:

RTPI West Midlands,
PO Box 16294,
Solihull,
West Midlands,
B91 9TH.



Booking Form

I/we would like to book the following:

11 place season ticket a £460 + VAT = £552	number required.....
5 place season ticket at £220 + VAT = £264	number required.....
Individual places at £50 + VAT = £60 RTPI member	number required.....
Individual places at £60 + VAT = £72 Non-member	number required.....
Individual places at £20 + VAT = £24 FT student/unwaged	number required.....

Please tick method of payment below

Cheque made payable to RTPI West Midlands enclosed

Please invoice PO number (if required) for invoice

Please book the following events, indicating number of places required at each event

2 February	Planning Law Update	places req
21 March	Development Management & Delivery	places req
25 April	Localism & Neighbourhood Plans	places req
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1 June	NPPF & the Future of Strategic Planning	places req
20 June	Councillors & Quality Design	places req
18 July	Re- Discovering the Rural	places req
19 September	Design & Neighbourhood Planning	places req
3 October	Planning Law Update	places req
24 October	Energy	places req
14 November	CIL	places req

Delegate name

Contact name if different

Organisation

Address

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Booking information

Cancellations must be received in writing at least 7 days before an event or may be subject to a £20 cancellation fee.

No refund will be given for non-attendance.

Substitutions are accepted.

Bookings can't be carried over to 2013.

Any queries please phone RTPI West Midlands Regional Co-ordinator Sue Griffith-Jones on 0121 709 1599 or email westmidlands@rtpi.org.uk.