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2012 RTPI Yorkshire Conference Series

Please visit the [RTPI Yorkshire Conference Series webpage](#) for full information and to download a [Programme](#) (pdf, 124kb). The Season Ticket booking form and individual booking forms for each of the conferences in the Series are also available on the YCS webpage.

- The 1st event in the series is next week, on **Wednesday 22 February**, in **Leeds**. The topic is: *Green Fields and Spaces: Incorporating Green Infrastructure into Planning*. You can download the [programme](#) (pdf, 154kb) and booking form from the website or contact me at yorkshire@rtpi.org.uk. *Booking closes this Friday.*
- The programme for the 2nd event in the series, *Renewable Energy and Climate Adaptation*, which is to be held in Sheffield on 22 March, will be available shortly. Please contact me at yorkshire@rtpi.org.uk to register your interest in attending.
- The 3rd event in the series, *Delivering Infrastructure through Planning* will be held in Leeds on Thursday 26 April. If you have particular knowledge of either private sector site level input or the national perspective and would like the opportunity to speak at a YCS conference, please can you contact the conference organiser, Andy Haigh, at Andy.Haigh@leeds.gov.uk.

2012 RTPI Yorkshire Practice Seminars

Our first two events in the 2012 programme of low cost practice seminars are:

- [APC Event for Licentiatees](#) (pdf, 233kb). This is a free evening event on Thursday 23 February in Leeds.
- [Starting in Private Practice](#) (pdf, 248kb). This is a free evening event on Tuesday 6 March in Leeds.

Please contact yorkshire@rtpi.org.uk to book a place at either of these events.

Events of interest in the Region

Visit the [online events page](#) for details of more events in the Yorkshire region.

Root and Branch

The deadline for articles for the Spring edition of *Root and Branch*, the RTPI Yorkshire newsletter, is 4th March. You can [read previous editions online](#).

Don't forget that the Spring edition will be sent to you by *email* and will not be available as a hard copy. You will also be able to read it on the website at <http://yorkshire.rtpi.org.uk>.

Planning Aid England

Latest success June to December 2011:

- Advice line - 2,883 calls successfully dealt with
- Web site planning advice information - 117,274 page views
- Training & capacity building - 2,039 people attended events
- Plan making & support - 3,474 people attended events

[Meet the Planning Aid England team](#). Mike Dando is the Community Outreach Co-ordinator for our area.

PODCAST: [The Planning Aid Adviceline](#)

RTPI Yorkshire – meet the Committee

Meet the members of the 2012 RTPI Yorkshire [Regional Management Board](#) and [Regional Activities Committee](#).

If you are interested in contributing to the activities of the RTPI Yorkshire Region, and would like to be involved in the Regional Activities Committee or the Board next year, or would like to get involved now in the [Ladies in Planning Group](#), [YORnet](#) (for built environment professionals under the age of 35), or the European Network, then please email me at yorkshire@rtpi.org.uk for further details.

President's Visit

The new RTPI President, Colin Haylock, will be visiting the Yorkshire Region on 11th and 12th July.

Yorkshire Three Peaks Challenge

On 14 April, members of staff at Signet Planning will be taking on the 'Yorkshire Three Peaks Challenge' which entails a 25 mile circular walk incorporating the three highest peaks in Yorkshire within 12 hours. The aim is to raise funds for the PPR Foundation in memory of their colleague, Ian Rowe. The PPR Foundation supports research projects aimed at possible causes, cures treatments or effects of brain tumours and is committed to raise £1million by 2015. They would be very grateful for any sponsorship - visit www.justgiving.com/Lynne-Holmes0.

In the News

- Leeds City Council is considering a new target to build more homes per year than it had been required to do under a government-imposed regional plan.
- The East Inshore and East Offshore Marine Plan Areas [Evidence and Issues Report](#) 2012 was published on 7 February.
- Replacement of the existing radar installation at Staxton Wold in North Yorkshire with a new TPS-77 system could resolve MoD concerns about the proposed Humber Gateway offshore farm.
- A study into the economics of decarbonising cities has found that UK urban centres that 'go green' will see a return on investment in 4 - 8 years, while cutting energy bills by billions and creating thousands of new jobs. [The Economics of Low Carbon Cities](#), believed to be the first of its kind in the world, was conducted by the Centre for Low Carbon Futures and looked at the Leeds City Region.

RTPI News

- [RTPI Planning Awards ceremony](#): Thursday 23 February, London
- [2012 Planning Convention](#): Wednesday 27 June, London.
- [2012 Planning Summer School](#): 14 – 17 September, Liverpool
- The [RTPI General Assembly](#) met on 18 January 2012 and debated planners' infrastructure role.
- February's RTPI 'Network of the Month' is the [International Development Network](#)

March e-bulletin

If you have an item you would like to share with members in the Yorkshire Region in the next bulletin, please email to me at yorkshire@rtpi.org.uk. You can also read the bulletins on the website at <http://yorkshire.rtpi.org.uk>.

For updates on all RTPI Yorkshire events, visit our website at:

<http://yorkshire.rtpi.org.uk>

If you have any items you would like to share with members in the Yorkshire Region please email Trish Cookson at yorkshire@rtpi.org.uk for inclusion in the monthly bulletin.

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