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PLANNING POLICY AND PRACTICE COMMITTEE: SEPTEMBER 2009

Policy and Networks update

Report of the Networks and Associations Developer

Current Policy work being undertaken by the Networks

Consultation responses

- The Environmental Planning Network is co-ordinating responses to the following current policy consultations:
 - [Coastal Change Policy](#)
 - [Consultation on the Transposition of the Revised Waste Framework Directive in England and Wales](#)
 - [Consultation paper on a new planning policy on Development and coastal change](#)
 - [Consultation on Draft Noise Action Plans](#)
- The Development Management Network is co-ordinating responses to the following current policy consultations:
 - [Streamlining Information Requirements for Planning Applications: Consultation](#)
 - [Publicity for Planning Applications: Consultation](#)
- NAPE is co-ordinating a response to the following current policy consultation:
 - [Improving Permitted Development: Consultation](#)
- The Rural Planning Network is co-ordinating responses to the following consultations:
 - [Consultation: Draft policy on food security and the environment](#)
 - [Development of Indicators for a Sustainable Food System: Consultation](#)
- The Development Planning Network and PIPA are jointly co-ordinating a response to the following current policy consultation:
 - [Policy Statement on Regional Strategies and Guidance on the establishment of Leaders' Boards: Consultation](#)
- The Planning for Housing Network is co-ordinating a response to the following current policy consultation:
 - [Consultation on amended strategic approach to housing key lines of enquiry \(KLOE\)](#)
- The Transport Planning Network is co-ordinating a response to the following current policy consultation:
 - [Developing a strategy for smart and integrated ticketing \(DfT\)](#)
- The Heritage Interest Group of the Urban Design Network is co-ordinating responses to the following current policy consultations:
 - [Consultation paper on a new Planning Policy Statement 15: Planning for the Historic Environment](#)

- [Consultation on PPS15 Practice Guide](#)

Network Interest Groups

Between them, the networks currently have 16 Interest Groups. Some of these are time-limited and task specific, others are on-going developmental groups. Some of the Groups are engaged in policy issues, and they all reflect the current priorities of the network. The Network Interest Groups are an excellent way of involving the wider membership in network and Institute activities.

Current Interest Groups are:

- Biodiversity (Environmental Planning and Protection Network)
- Environmental Assessment and Management (Environmental Planning and Protection Network)
- Healthy Communities (Environmental Planning & Protection Network)
- Small Islands Planning (International Development Network)
- India (International Development Network)
- China (International Development Network)
- Ethiopia (International Development Network)
- Tourism and Regeneration (Regeneration Network)
- Rural Planning Policy Sub-Group (Rural Planning Network)
- Quality and Diversity (Urban Design Network)
- Heritage (Urban Design Network)
- Urban Design Education & Skills (Urban Design Network)
- Young Planners' Conference Task Group (Young Planners' Network)
- Minerals and Waste (Environmental Planning and Protection and Development Planning Networks)
- Spatial Plans and Transport Planning (Development Planning and Transport Planning Networks)
- Creating Safer Places (Urban Design and Development Management Networks)

Network representatives

Current network representatives on RTPi external bodies and programmes:

| <i>Who</i> | <i>Network</i> | <i>External body / programme</i> |
|------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Jon Morris | Planning for Housing | CIH Transforming Estates Project |
| Stephen Gleave | Urban Design Network | UDAL Management Group |
| Colin Haylock | Urban Design Network | UDAL (Chair) |
| Stephen Hardy | Urban Design Network | Traffic Signs Policy Review Working Group 3 - Signs and the environment |
| Paul Tomlinson | EPP Network | Spatial planning for health NICE Stakeholder workshop |
| Andrew Grime | EPP Network | National SUDS Working Group |
| Andrew Grime | EPP Network | Joint Flood Working Party with ICE |
| Mark Walton | EPP Network | Minerals Planning Association |
| Tim Greenwood | EPP Network | Minerals Planning Association |
| Victoria Hills | Transport Planning Network | Transport Planning Society (Chair) |
| Jamie Wheway | Transport Planning Network | Transport Planning Society |
| Jon Fox | Transport Planning network | Transport Planning Society |
| Jonathan Hockley | Transport Planning Network | Highways Agency Development Forum |
| Stephen Hardy | Urban Design Network | DfT Traffic signs policy review |
| Val Dilcock | Rural Planning Network | Matthew Taylor Practitioners Working Group |
| Antonia James | Development Management | National Focus Group: CLG |

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| | Network | Evaluation of PPS on Climate Change |
| Richard Keczkcs | Development Management | CLG Stakeholder Event: 'Discharge if Condition' - 17 July 2009 |
| Paul Tomlinson | Environmental Planning and Protection | House of Lords Forum on Dementia |

Recent and forthcoming Network events

Good Practice Notes are produced following many network events and available to network members via the website.

September:

Section 106 Agreements – time for review? A Development Management Network event on 14th September in Grantham. Further details [here](#).

ICN's 3rd annual meeting with PINS. An Independent Consultants' Network event on 16th September in Bristol. Fully booked.

Tourism in Walsall. A Regeneration Network (Tourism and Regeneration Interest Group) event on 16th September in Walsall. Further details [here](#)

Round table discussion: Improving Permitted Development and Streamlining Information Requirements consultations. A NAPE and Development Management Network event on 18th September in Birmingham. Further details [here](#).

Forestry Commission Scotland – Woodland Removal Policy. A Rural Planning Network event on 22nd September in Edinburgh. Fully booked.

Liftshare information session. A Transport Planning Network event on 17th September in London. Further details [here](#).

UK spatial development evidence base and the ESPON programme. An ESPON UK and Development Planning Networks event on 23rd September in Leeds. Further details [here](#)

Community Infrastructure Levy. A Planning for Housing Network event on 29th September in London. Further details [here](#)

October:

Participation in Planning - How positive stakeholder engagement can help create better places. This is the annual Young Planners' Conference and is to be held in Newcastle- Gateshead on 2-3 October. Further details [here](#).

Merthyr Tydfil – RTPi Regeneration Network Award winner study tour. A Regeneration Network event on 6th October in Merthyr Tydfil. Further details [here](#)

Electric vehicle and 'New Ride' information workshop. A Transport Planning Network event on 13th October in London. Further details [here](#)

Nature after minerals workshop. An Environmental Planning and Protection Network event on 14th October in London. Further details [here](#)

Capacitycheck information workshop. An Urban Design Network event on 22nd October in London. Further details [here](#).

Supporting planning practice for wind turbine developments. Environmental Planning and Protection Network events on 27th-28th October in Bristol. Further details [here](#)

Planning: Delivering for the Upturn. This is the annual PIPA Conference and is to be held in London on 31st October. Further details [here](#).

November:

Negotiations - NAPE annual conference. On 11th November in Newark. Further details [here](#).

Coastal planning in Albania. An International Development Network event on 18th November in London

Network membership

Current networks and association membership numbers (as at 14.09.09):

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|----------------------------|-------------|
| Young Planners: | 1294 |
| Urban Design: | 809 |
| Regeneration: | 613 |
| Development Planning: | 609 |
| EPP Network: | 581 |
| International Development: | 510 |
| NAPE: | 502 |
| Transport Planning: | 489 |
| Development Management: | 450 |
| Planning for Housing: | 366 |
| Rural Planning: | 365 |
| Independent Consultants: | 311 |
| Planning with Communities: | 239 |
| PIPA: | 172 |
| ESPO | 170 |
| PERN | 102 |
| Total | 7582 |

Actual circulation list (which includes those signed up on the website) for:

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| Planning with Communities: | 1139 |
| Planning for Housing | 522 |
| ESPO | 490 |
| PIPA | 366 |
| PERN | 162 |