



RTPI Northern Ireland
Royal Town Planning Institute

Northern Ireland Planning Conference

Planning a Sustainable Northern Ireland

Tuesday 26 September 2017
Europa Hotel, Belfast

Planning is an essential part of the toolkit for delivering a sustainable Northern Ireland. Councils are at the centre of this, providing leadership for their areas and communities through managing development and delivering Local Development Plans. They are not the only players - the Department for Infrastructure and other Government Departments also play a role, as do private developers, their agents and investors and of course communities, all have important roles to play.

RTPI NI's Annual Conference will provide a forum for all interested in Northern Ireland planning to discuss delivering a sustainable NI. The Conference will hear from the Permanent Secretary at the Department for Infrastructure, as well as the Chief Commissioner for the Planning Appeals Commission. The Conference will also hear from those delivering outside Northern Ireland to share experiences and good practice. The popular breakout seminars will provide a wider range of topics, so there will be something for everyone.

A day packed with plenary speakers, breakout seminars, lots of opportunity for discussion and networking and catching up with colleagues.

The Conference is generously sponsored by:



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Programme

09.30 Registration

10.00 **Conference Opening**

Introduction by RTPI NI Chair, Beverley Clyde

Keynote Address - Peter May, Permanent Secretary, Department for Infrastructure

The PAC and Local Development Plans - Andrea Kells, Chief Commissioner, Planning Appeals Commission

Creating Sustainable Places – Mark Hand and Craig O'Connor, Arloesi Planning

Northern Ireland's Best Places - David Mounstephen, Chair NI Best Places' Panel

11.30 **Coffee**

12.00 **Parallel Breakout Seminars:**

The Conference programme includes a series of parallel breakout seminars to give you the opportunity to explore a planning topic in more detail.

A cross examination survival pack:
James Pereira QC, Francis Taylor Building

Living Places – A practical guide to application:

Angus Kerr, Department for Infrastructure and James Henessey, Paul Hogarth Company

Planning for Dementia:
Claire Williamson, RTPI with the Alzheimer's Society

What does good look like? – the councillor's perspective on planning:

A roundtable discussion with NILGA

1.00 **Lunch**





2.00

Afternoon Plenary

Introduction by Conference Chair - Kim Boal, Commended Young Planner of the Year 2017

Sustainable Development Goals - Trudi Elliott, Chief Executive RTPI

Delivering Homes through Local Plans - Paul Barnard, Assistant Director for Strategic Planning & Infrastructure, Plymouth City Council

Delivering Marine Planning alongside Local Development Plans: A Scottish Perspective - James Green, Senior Policy Officer, Orkney Islands Council

Showcasing Early Researchers:

RTPI NI is committed to providing early researchers with a platform to share their important research findings and are pleased to include two in our 2017 Conference programme.

Enabling a resilient future: Exploring the leadership and governance of urban design - Mura Quigley, Ulster University

From brown envelopes to community benefits - Dr Linda Fox-Rogers, Queens University Belfast

Speed Briefing:

Winner of the RTPI Excellence in Planning for Built Heritage - Seamus Heaney Homeplace – Chris Boomer, Mid Ulster Council

4.00

Close - Conference Chair

Who should attend?

The Conference is aimed at those involved directly and indirectly with planning in Northern Ireland, or those who just have an interest in planning in the province. The Conference attracts a mix of those working in the public, private and third sectors, as well as planners and other related professions including architects and surveyors and this enables positive debate and discussion – an important part of the Conference's aims. Students and those new to the profession are also encouraged to attend.

Non RTPI members are welcome.

Bookings

The full Conference rate is £80 +VAT.

Special discounted rates are offered to RTPI Student, Licentiate, Unemployed or Retired Members of £50 +VAT. The special rate is also available for Councillors.

Special Offer: Organisations booking 3 places, can claim a 4th place for free (the cheapest place is free).


To reserve a place, complete the booking form, which is available from:

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Bookings must be received by Tuesday 19th September.



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