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Wales Planning Conference

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Wales Planning Conference 2022

Planning for Health and Well-being

Programme

- 9.00AM** **Registration and networking**
- 9.30AM** **Welcome**
- Robert Chichester MRTPI - RTPI Cymru Chair
- Opening address: Planning and Health**
- Dr Tom Porter, Consultant in Public Health Medicine, Cardiff and Vale local public health team
- Maximising health and well-being opportunities for spatial planning in the COVID-19 pandemic recovery**
- Cheryl Williams, Principal Health Promotion Specialist, Public Health Wales
- Designing places for Older People**
- Toby Adam, Director, Gaunt Francis Architects
- Q&A
- 11.00AM** **Coffee and networking break**
- 11.30AM** **Keynote Speech**
- Minister for Climate Change, Julie James MS
- Knitting it together through Placemaking**
- Jen Heal MRTPI, Design Commission for Wales
- Q&A
- 12.30PM** **Networking and Lunch**
- 13.30PM** **Choice of breakout sessions** *(please note online delegates will only be able to attend the planning law breakout session)*



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Focus #1 Planning for Neurodiversity

[Atefeh Motamedi, Co-founder of Neurodiversity in Planning Network](#)

Neurodiversity describes the idea that people experience and interact with the world around them in many different ways. People vary in their neurocognitive ability and there is no one 'right' way of thinking, learning, communicating and 'behaving'. In the context of planning and designing for the built environment, the diversity of the mind once again raises the age-old question of how we should plan and design for the place so that everyone can live a healthier and happier life.

Within this presentation, we will explore:

- What is neurodiversity?
- How living with a neurodiverse condition can affect our experience in the built environment?

How can we support neurodiversity in the way we plan, design and engage?

Focus #2 Giving evidence at inquiries and hearings

[Craig Howell Williams QC, Emyr Jones and Annabel Graham Paul](#)

The FTB team will be running a session focusing on giving evidence at inquiries and hearings. There will be practical tips for planners involved with inquiries and hearings from the experienced FTB team.

Focus #3 Active Travel Network Mapping - Moving towards place based plans

[Patrick Williams, Head of Healthier Places and Sophie Lloyd, Sustrans Cymru](#)

The Active Travel (Wales) Act sets out a clear ambition to put walking and cycling centre-stage for local journeys.

Active Travel Network Mapping is a legal requirement for Welsh Local Authorities to determine and prioritise the locations that each Local Authority plans to apply for funding to develop walking and cycling routes.

This workshop will consider the approach to developing Active Travel networks within our towns and cities and how this can be developed to consider place as a function of transport.

Focus #4 Should we have residential space standards for all homes in Wales?

[Dr Mike Biddulph and Orla Kerr, Placemaking Team, Cardiff Council](#)

This workshop will be an opportunity to discuss if the Welsh planning system might benefit from the introduction of space standards for all forms of residential development in Wales. Whilst most flats and houses being developed do offer good quality living spaces, some homes proposed in specific settings are very small. Would the adoption of minimum standards stop these flats and houses being built, and what otherwise might be the wider implications of such a policy?

14.30PM

Tea and Networking

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14.50PM

Welcome back

Joe Ayoubkhani MRTPI, RTPI Cymru Senior Vice Chair

Active Travel

Rachel Lee, Policy Manager, Living Streets

Planning for Children and Young People

Professor Peter Kraftl, Chair of Human Geography at Birmingham University

The Health Benefits of Green Space and Biodiversity

Peter Frost, Urban Green Infrastructure Advisor, Natural Resources Wales

Drawing it Together

Andrew Buroni, Savills

16.30PM

Closing Remarks

Robert Chichester MRTPI, RTPI Cymru Chair

16.40PM

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