

Making Planning Work

Shaping our Built Environment: The role of Councils in Placemaking

Half-day Seminar Programme

30 January 2018

Baby Grand Theatre, Grand Opera House



Time	Event	Speaker
08:45	Registration, Coffee and Refreshments	
09:15	Chairman's Welcome	Seamus McKee - BBC Radio Ulster
Session One - Expectation and Reality: Where are we now?		
09:20	Setting the context	Alderman Jim Dillon - Chair, NILGA Planning Working Group <i>Confirmed</i>
09:25	Keynote address: Incorporating placemaking approaches within the emerging Local Development Plans	Angus Kerr - Director of Planning Policy, Department for Infrastructure <i>Confirmed</i>
09:45	Long term planning: creating places through co-design	Theresa Donaldson - Chief Executive, Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council <i>Confirmed</i>
09:55	Creating prosperous places: empowering local government	Louise Warde Hunter - Head of Housing, Urban Regeneration and Local Government, Department for Communities <i>Confirmed</i>
10:05	The benefits of placemaking: how does good design impact the culture of a place and help shape prosperous places?	Andrew Haley - Built Environment Expert, Design Council CABE and Chair, Ministerial Advisory Group, Department for Communities <i>Confirmed</i>
10:45	Voices from the floor & panel discussion	Ald Jim Dillon - NILGA Angus Kerr - DfI Theresa Donaldson - LCCC Louise Warde Hunter - DfC Andrew Haley - Design Council CABE
11:00	Coffee Break - Opportunity to Network	
Session Two - Expectations for the Future: How do we get there?		
11:20	Placemaking through the Local Development Plans: how to build and maintain relationships with investors, local communities and other stakeholders throughout the process	Craig McClaren - Director of Scotland and Ireland, RTPI <i>Confirmed</i>
11:40	Case study: creating places fit for the future's demands	Giulia Vallone - Municipal Architect and Urban Designer, Cork County Council <i>Confirmed</i>
11:50	Case study: heritage as an anchor for new development	<i>TBC</i>
12:00	Taking control: should councils promote good design	Hugh Ellis - Head of Policy, Town and Country Planning Association <i>Invited</i>
12:55	Voices from the floor & panel discussion	Craig McClaren - RTPI Scotland Giulia Vallone - Cork County Council Hugh Ellis - TCPA
13:25	Concluding Remarks	Seamus McKee - BBC Radio Ulster
13:30	Light Buffet Lunch Served - Opportunity to network	

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