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TALL BUILDINGS CONFERENCE

Royal Town Planning Institute (Irish Branch-Northern Section)

Thursday 29th May 2008 9.30am-5.00pm

Lagan Suite, Hilton Hotel, Lanyon Place, Belfast

Speakers:

Janet O'Neill, President, RTPI

Peter Bishop, Director, Design for London

Professor John Worthington, Co-Founder of DEGW

Dick Gleeson, Chief City Planner, Dublin City Council

Peter Damesick, Head of UK Research, CBRE

Diarmaid Lawlor, Associate Director, Urban Initiatives

(Further speakers to be confirmed)

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Programme

- 9.45 *Registration and Coffee*
- 10.15 Janet O'Neill RTPI President *Introduction*
- 10.30 Diarmaid Lawlor, Urban Initiatives *Belfast Overview*
- 11.15 *Morning Coffee*
- 11.30 Dick Gleeson, Chief Planning Dublin City Council *Tall Buildings and the Urban Landscape, The Dublin Experience*
- 12.15 Peter Damewick, Head of Research CBRE *Tall Buildings – Commercial Realities*
- 1.00 *Lunch*
- 2.00 Professor John Worthington, DEGW *Belfast – Tall Buildings in Context*
- 2.45 Peter Bishop, Design for London *A New City Vision – Tall Buildings in London*
- 3.30 *Afternoon Coffee*
- 3.45 Ulster University Jordanstown (Speaker to be confirmed) *Flexible Cityscapes – Key components of a Tall Buildings Framework*
- 4.30 Plenary Session with the panel, joined by John Cummins
Divisional Manager Planning Service Belfast Division
- 5.00 *Close*

Speakers

Janet O'Neill, RTPI President

Janet is a chartered town planning consultant with her own practice, based in York. She has 10 years local government experience in Cardiff, Edinburgh and South Yorkshire, and has been in the private sector for more than 20 years. Her practice provides planning advice and assistance to a broad range of clients, mainly based on the North East of England. She and her staff are involved in an array of planning and development issues, giving advice on how the development plan system works and how clients' objectives can be achieved within that framework. Company activities encompass planning issues from education, historic buildings and employment uses to housing, including historic context and urban design issues. Janet is Chair of the Executive Board of the Royal Town Planning Institute and also Senior Vice President of the Institute. In addition, she is External Examiner to Westminster University School of Planning.

Professor John Worthington, AA (Dip Hons) M Arch (Penn) FRIBA FRSA, Co-Founder DEGW

Since founding DEGW in 1973, John has been concerned with supporting both the public and private sectors in making the most effective use of resources, by matching available space and buildings to organizational demands. He has applied the lessons learnt in workplace design to the fields of healthcare, education and urban planning. Recent assignments include high building strategies for the cities of Rotterdam and Dublin where he continues to advise on managing the process of innovation and change.

John has held a number of academic posts and is currently a visiting professor at the University of Sheffield, professorial fellow at the University of Melbourne, visiting scholar at Pembroke College Cambridge and a Board member for London Thames Gateway Development Corporation. He is past chair of CABE/RIBA Building Futures and a Trustee of the Urban Design Group. He lectures widely and his recent books include *Managing the Brief for Better Design* (2001) co-authored with Alastair Blyth and *Reinventing the Workplace* (Second edition 2006).

Peter Dameswick, Head of UK Research, CBRE

Peter Dameswick is a Senior Director and Head of UK Research at CB Richard Ellis. He is a well known commentator on the UK commercial property market and as a member of the British Council for Offices Tall Buildings Working Group, he was responsible for producing the BCO's report on 'Tall Buildings: the Economic Realities'.

Peter Bishop, Director, Design for London

Peter was appointed as the first Director of Design for London in 2006, following an open competition. Design for London is part of the London Development Agency, the Mayor's agency driving sustainable economic growth in the city and has become the most influential city architect's office in the UK. Peter was previously Director of Culture and Environment at the London Borough of Camden and has nearly three decades of experience working in the planning and environment departments of several London boroughs. Over the last two decades he has worked at director level managing major planning and regeneration projects including the redevelopment plans for King's Cross.

Dick Gleeson, Dublin City Planner

Dick is the chief planning with Dublin City Council; he heads up the professional side of the City Planning Department where he has overall responsibilities for strategic and local planning and for development control. Previously he was Project Leader on the City Development Plan 2005 and on a number of Integrated Area Plans including the HARP Plan and the O'Connell Street Plan. He has served on several juries for city centre architectural competitions including the competition for the Spire and is a member of the Board of Temple Bar Properties.

Diarmaid Lawlor, Associate Director, Urban Initiatives

Diarmaid prepared the townscape report and strategy for BMAP. He is an Associate Director with Urban Initiatives, with over 10 years experience of working with public and private sector clients at all levels of the urban design and regeneration process. Diarmaid's background is in interdisciplinary thinking, he is an experienced urbanist working across all the scales of urban design, from strategic policy to area masterplanning, coding and implementation. His creative approaches, problem solving competence, and communication skills enable him to make positive contributions at all levels of the design process. In addition, Diarmaid has contributed to a number of research initiatives, and attended as guest critic and tutor on a number of design courses in Ireland and the UK.

He is an enabler for Architecture and Design Scotland (A+DS).