

Report on	Conferences, Seminars & Training
Date of Meeting	28 June 2018
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	Provide an update on seminars and conferences received. To seek approval for attendance and the payment of registration/ attendance fees and associated costs, as incurred.
2.0	Background
2.1	Costs associated will be set against 2018-19 member Conference and Seminar allocations.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	<p>The following seminar/ conference sessions are presented for consideration of representation from Mid Ulster Council.</p> <p>Approval for Consideration of Attendance by Members</p> <p>NILGA: Meaningful Collaboration: Real Impact, Seagoe Hotel, Craigavon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday 21 June 2018, 2pm – 4.30pm No conference fee, travel and subsistence Retrospective approval for Cllrs Burton, Mulligan, McAleer & Reid <p>World Canals Conference, Athlone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunday 9th September to 12th September 2018 €455, plus accommodation, travel and subsistence <p>RTPI Introduction to the Planning System, Belfast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday 5 December 9.30am to 4.30pm in the Mount Business & Conference Centre, 2 Woodstock Link, Belfast Conference Cost £249 + VAT, travel and subsistence <p><u>Officer Approvals</u></p> <p>None to report</p>

3.2	
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: Costs will be set against Members 2018/2019 conference budget allocation.
	Human: N/A
	Risk Management: N/A
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: None
	Rural Needs Implications:
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	Approval for attendance at the conferences/ seminars by members and council officers as required.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	Appendix A Member Conferences



Meaningful Collaboration: Real Impact

21st June 2018, Seagoe Hotel, Craigavon, 14.00—16.30

Agenda

Time	Content	Speaker
13.30	Registration, Tea and Coffee	
14.00—14.10	Session introduction objectives, programme outline	Alderman Robert Gibson Chair of Regional Community Planning and Wellbeing Working Group
14.10—14.40	Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon Collaboration and the Story so far	Elaine Gillespie Head of Department Community Planning
14.40 - 15.10	Strategic Partner Collaboration Experience and What Works	Julie Mawhinney Project Support Officer Public Health Agency
15.10—15.40	Elected Member Collaboration Experience	Cllr Dermot Nicholl Causeway Coast and Glens
15.40—16.10	Collaboration at all levels	Building Change Trust
16.20—16.30	General Q&A/discussion - issues and experiences	
16.30	Close	

This is a **FREE** event open to all Elected Members and Officers with an interest in Community Planning. We would ask attendees to advise us in advance of their attendance by R.S.V.P to this invitation. Those interested in attending should contact Amy McGrath at the NILGA office by emailing a.mcgrath@nilga.org, by Friday 15th June 2018.

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Sunday 9th September 2018

Welcome Reception:

Radisson Blue Hotel Athlone

Open to all registered delegates & Accompanying Persons

Monday 10th September 2018

Marina 2 & 3

Opening Plenary

Conference Opening

Conference Programme Briefing

Keynote Speaker (1) -

Catherine Sheridan

Building Resilience: Climate, Risk, and Waterways

Coffee Break, Posters & Exhibition

Keynote (2)

To be Announced

Keynote (2)

Mike Palmer

Lunch, Posters & Exhibition

Marina 2 Track 1	Marina 3 Track 2	Northgate Track 3
<u>Restoration & Heritage Management (1)</u> John McKeown - Restoring the Royal Canal Roger Squires - Rebuilding Lost Canals: New Approaches to Restoration Pam Veinotte - Evolving Heritage Assets to Meet Modern Day Needs	<u>Water Management Challenges (1)</u> Mark Adamson - Flood Risk Management In Ireland - Past and Future Jewel Cunningham - From Adversary to Advocate: Parks Canada and Water Management Eamonn Horgan - Navigational Infrastructure in High Quality Designated Environments - The Requirement for Proper Design and Assessment	<u>Engaging the Audience (1)</u> Jean Mackay - Who's Out There? Using Visitor Data to Better Attract and Serve Canal Visitors Michael Mc Clure - The Watersports Enhanced Together (WET) Project
Coffee Break, Posters & Exhibition		
<u>Managing Change (1)</u> Richard Millar - Make No Small Plans: Transforming Scottish Canals Through Art & Creative Engineering William Miles - Developing the Genesee River Waterfront in Rochester, NY, US Henning Stuben - Waterways Rejuvenation Projects in Denmark Terre Duffy - Dublin's Water Quarter	<u>Delivering through Innovation</u> Julia Wlekinska - The Elblag Canal – Preservation of the Natural Heritage by Designing a Dedicated Sustainable Boat Les Saunders - Electronic Charting of Inland Waterways of Ireland Using Crowd Sourced Data and Low Cost Devices Joe Caffrey - Mapping and Control of Alien Invasive Species in Irish Canals Hartmut Ginnow Merkert - Electric Propulsion and Alternative Fuels to Preserve the Ecological Integrity of our Scenic Inland Waterways	<u>Engaging the Audience (2)</u> Benny Cullen - Local Sports Partnerships: Activating the Waterways Olivia Cosgrove - Row the Erne Josie Saunders - Un-locking New Audiences: Using Scotland's canals as Unique Event Venues Jason King - The National Famine Way from Strokestown Park
<u>Summary and Briefing for Tuesday</u>	<u>Summary and Briefing for Tuesday</u>	<u>Summary and Briefing for Tuesday</u>

Civic Reception & BBQ:

Civic Reception in Athlone Castle

followed by BBQ in Radisson Blu Hotel

Open to all registered delegates & Accompanying Persons

Tuesday 11th September 2018

Technical & Scentic Tours

Free Evening

Delegates are free to explore Athlone

Wednesday 12th September 2018

Marina 2	Marina 3	Northgate
Track 1	Track 2	Track 3
<u>Opening briefing and daily updates</u>	<u>Opening briefing and daily updates</u>	<u>Opening briefing and daily updates</u>
<u>Restoration & Heritage Management (2)</u> Joseph Gillespie - Restoration of the Shannon - Erne Waterway Rudy Van der Ween - The Re-opening of the Lower Scheldt in the City Centre of Ghent Rob Vrolijk - Limburg (NL), Regional masterplan Approach & Multi-scale Projects	<u>Water Management Challenges (2)</u> Roemer Goossensen - Off-grid Wastewater treatment – Clearing the Way for a Green-Blue Canal Paula Treacy - The Ecological Health of Irish Canals, Delivering the Objectives of the EU Water Framework Directive Galen Fulford - The Application of Floating Ecosystems in the Revitalisation of Urban Waterways	<u>Engaging the Audience (3)</u> John Robinson - Re-imagine Ability: Cycling for Success along the Canal Andrew Grieve - How Greenways Can Deliver Government Objectives Donal MacAnBheatha - The Royal Canal Re-imagined Greenway for the 21st Century
Coffee Break, Posters & Exhibition		
<u>Restoration & Heritage Management (3)</u> William Holdsworth - Chesapeake & Ohio Canal Aqueduct Restoration at Williamsport, Bringing History Alive Theron Robson - Maintenance of Heritage Lock Gates on the River Shannon Roger Alsater - Göta Canal 2.0: Preserving and Developing the Culturally Historic Canal in Challenging Conditions	<u>Volunteers Making a difference</u> Geraldine Foley - Don't Forget Your Shovel... Mike Clark - Heritage Boat Kennet Matthew Kennedy - Ireland's Royal Canal: From 20th Century Derelict Waterway to 21st Century Linear Parkway	<u>Engaging the Audience (4)</u> Duncan Mackay - Low speed 2/ Slow Speed Too Stephen Higham - Waterways & Wellbeing Una May - Women in Sport Programme
Lunch, Posters & Exhibition		
<u>Managing Change (2)</u> Julia Pollok - The WIN Project: Developing Water Tourism in the Northeast of Germany William Collins - Is Creating a Municipal Authority the Answer to a Sustainably Watered Delaware Canal ? Lauren Small - Canada's Canals and Climate Change	<u>Sustainable Regeneration</u> Veronique Stereks - The Multi-functional Potential of the Flemish Waterways Patrick Moss - Keep it Local - Affordable Restoration and Sustainable Regeneration Christopher Breslin - Glasgow Canal Project	<u>Engaging the Audience (5)</u> Eriberito Eulisse - Youth Involvement in Re-imagining Nautical and Waterway's Heritage. The case of YouInHerit Project in Venice Colin Harris - Re-imagining Urban Waterways Through Sports Tadhg MacIntyre - Case Studies in Water Sports : How BlueWays can create a Blue Minded Perspective
Coffee Break, Posters & Exhibition		
Marina 2 & 3		
<u>Concluding Plenary:</u> Conference Summary Conference Handover to 2019 Close of Conference		
Conference Dinner Sheraton Hotel Athlone link to website; http://wccireland2018.com/social-programme/ Open to all registered delegates		

Registration Fees

	Early before 15th June 2018	Late after 15th June 2018
IWI Member Registration Fee	€345.00	€415.00
Non- member Registration Fee	€385.00	€455.00
Accompanying Person Registration Fee	€275.00	€295.00

The above Registration Fees are inclusive of VAT at the current prevailing rate. Please note any VAT due shall be chargeable at the rate applicable at the date of the relevant invoice.

Registration Fee includes:

- Attendance at all Conference Sessions
- Technical Tours
- Tea/Coffee Breaks
- Lunch
- Welcome Reception
- Civic Reception & BBQ
- Closing Dinner

Introduction to the planning system

RTPI Training UK wide course



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Are you a non-planning professional working in place-making (technicians, administrators and support staff)?

- Are you interested in learning how the UK planning system works?
- Are you an elected member, parish, community or town councillor?

If yes, then this course is for you. This masterclass will offer an understanding of the planning system. You will gain valuable insight into plan making, the role of development management and the way decisions on individual planning applications are made either by the planning committee, by the officers under delegated powers or by appeal.



Background

- Planning is not a simple process whereby there is a fixed set of rules or a single right answer. Individual views on the planning system, its benefits or frustrations are very much the result of what that individual wishes to achieve. For a developer the desired outcomes will be very different to those opposing new development in their area.
- This course will interest and inspire you through a combination of information giving and application of that knowledge. Learning through discussion with others as well as from the tutor will be central to this workshop.

Through a combination of expert trainer input, discussion and group work, you will:

- Gain a clear understanding of the importance and purpose of the planning system
- Appreciate the wider context and gather insights into the legislative framework and guidance within which you are working
- Learn what a planning application is and how a decision is made

Course content

- A brief history of planning
- Organisation and administration of the planning system
- An overview of the planning system
- Planning policy – national
- Nationally significant infrastructure projects
- Development plans
- Planning for people
- Planning consent
- Reaching a decision
- Grant of consent
- Listed buildings, conservation areas and scheduled monuments
- Other consents
- Enforcement
- Planning appeals



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Introduction to the planning system - Belfast

Date: Wednesday, 05 December 2018
at 9:30AM - 4:30PM

Venue: The Mount Business & Conference Centre,
2 Woodstock Link, Belfast BT6
8DD, UK

Organiser: RTPi Training
training@rtpi.org.uk



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Course aim

This masterclass is designed to provide an understanding of the planning system for elected members, parish, community and town councillors, non-planning professionals working in place-making, technicians, administrators and support staff. Delegates will gain an invaluable insight into plan making, the role of development management and the way decisions on individual planning applications are made either by the planning committee, by the officers under delegated powers or by appeal.

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Format: Masterclass

Delegate numbers are restricted to enhance learning outcomes

This links to the following CPD Priority:

Effective decision making

Past delegates said...

"In my opinion the whole process was conducted to a very high standard from beginning to end. Very impressed!" (Introduction to the planning system 28.02.18)


"The trainer was excellent and so engaging with the learners" (Introduction to the planning system 28.02.18)

"The material discussed was aimed at exactly the right level for the knowledge of the delegates. There were many interactive activities which gave delegates the opportunity to test what we were learning as well as applying what we already knew. It demonstrated to me that I actually knew more than I gave myself credit for." (Introduction to the planning system 28.02.18)

"Training materials were really good - training booklet is a really good resource" (Introduction to the planning system 28.02.18)






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