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PRESIDENT'S INVITATION

Welcome to the Annual Planning Conference hosted by Wexford County Council.

Planners and the Planning System have a major role to play in the delivery of ambitious programmes for compact growth, marine spatial planning and climate action referred to in the National Planning Framework – Ireland's spatial plan for the next 20 years.

Against a backdrop of a new Programme for Government, the debate around housing availability, affordability and density, climate action, environmental policy and marine spatial planning are major themes that will be explored over the course of the Annual Planning Conference.

Hosted by Wexford County Council, generously sponsored by Fáilte Ireland, this conference will explore the major challenges effecting Planners working across the Planning System and allied professionals as well as Elected Members in Local and National Government seeking to deliver towns, villages and cities where people want to live and that work.

The Irish Planning Institute are delighted to bring this important conference – the flagship event for Planners, to Wexford. An exceptional line up of speakers, some very interesting planning tours and an accessible venue and location make the 2020 Annual Planning Conference a not to be missed event.

I look forward to seeing you in Wexford.

Best wishes

Dr Conor Norton MIPI

President Irish Planning Institute 2020 and 2021



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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

CONFERENCE CHAIR: VALERIE O'KEEFFE

Wednesday 22 April	
1.00 pm - 6.00 pm	SENIOR PLANNERS FORUM <i>for Senior Planners working in Local Authorities and Regional Assemblies</i>
7.00 pm	Welcome Reception: Wexford Opera House
Thursday 23 April	
9:15 am - 10.00 am	SESSION 1: INTRODUCTION Dr Conor Norton IPI President Orla Carroll Fáilte Ireland Tom Enright Wexford County Council
10.00 am - 11:30 am	SESSION 2: DELIVERING COMPACT GROWTH Paul Hogan Acting Chief Planner, DHPLG Dr Riette Oosthuizen Partner, Planning HTA Design LLP Town Design and Development Speaker Development Industry Speaker
COFFEE	
11:45 am - 12.45 pm	SESSION 3: MARINE PLANNING Tom Woolley Marine Planning Adviser, DHPLG Sybil Berne MacCabe Durney Barnes Eugene Nixon International Council for the Exploration of the Seas (ICES)
LUNCH	
2.15 pm - 3.15 pm	SESSION 4: ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING Paul Scott Environmental Planning Manager, DHPLG Paula Galvin Director, McCutcheon Halley Planning Consultants Colin Byrne Senior Advisor Water Advisory Unit, DHPLG

COFFEE	
3.45 pm - 4.30 pm	SESSION 5: TOURISM AND RURAL PLANNING Orla Carroll Director of Product Development, Fáilte Ireland Design and Best Practice for Cluster Housing Schemes
7.30 pm	Gala Dinner Reception followed by Gala Dinner (8.15 pm)
Friday 24 April	
9:30 am - 10:15 am	Welcome and Review of Day 1 SESSION 6: MINISTERIAL ADDRESS
10:15 am - 11.15 am	SESSION 7: CITY GROWTH SESSION Deirdre Scully Deputy City Planner, Dublin City Council Nuala Gallagher Director of Growth, Investment & Infrastructure, Bristol City Council Brian Evans City Urbanist, Glasgow City Council
COFFEE	
11:45 am - 12.45 pm	CONFERENCE CONCLUSIONS
LUNCH	
2.00 pm - 5.00 pm	Tours (see overleaf for details) PLEASE SPECIFY WHICH TOUR YOU WISH TO ATTEND ON BOOKING

TOUR OPTIONS

Walking Tour: Wexford – So Old, So New



Wexford is a town steeped in history with evidence of people choosing to live in the locality for over 4,000 years. The development of the urban settlement is traced back to the late ninth century with the Viking Invasions and further developed by Normans. The Town has witnessed atrocities committed by

Cromwell and suffered in the 1798 rebellion but has continued to thrive over the centuries.

The walking tour of Wexford Town will commence at the Whites Hotel onto the Quays to view recently completed schemes and new urban design projects. Focusing on the new and outlining the development of the Trinity Wharf site which will create a new urban quarter for the town.

The tour will then return via the Old Town and will focus on some of the Town's hidden historic gems including monastic settlements, Viking laneways, the Medieval Town Wall ending in Selskar Abbey. This section of the tour we will be accompanied by Stafford McLoughlin Archaeologists who have extensive knowledge of the sites and many fascinating details on the history of the town. The tour will concentrate on the untapped potential of the Town's Heritage as tourism attraction and the Planning Departments proposed conservation projects.

Bus Tour: New Ross

Join Eamonn Hore (Wexford County Council) and IAE Team Member (Fáilte Ireland) on a 3-hour tour of New Ross. New Ross has received the most money of any town under the Government's Rural Regeneration & Development Fund. The New Ross Tourism Transformational Project is an ambitious plan that combines renewal of prominent town-centre sites with compelling tourism experiences. It's a significant Rural Regeneration project of scale, New Ross has also been awarded funding to improve visitor orientation and flow under the Fáilte Ireland Destination Town Scheme. The tour will take you to the newly opened Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Bridge, Dunbrody Centre, Library Park, Norman Way historical trail and more highlighting the potential of the tourism economy to drive rural development and regional growth.

Itinerary

Stop 1. Travel across the newly opened Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Bridge (if opened)

Stop 2. Dunbrody Centre – short tour and gathering point

Stop 3. New Ross Quayside Public Realm project

Stop 4. Delivering the Tourism Economy – New Ross RRDF project

Stop 5. New Ross Destination Town project, maximising New Ross's Norman Heritage - Walking Tour town to view animation and public realm projects

Stop 6. Review of New Ross Greenway project

SPEAKERS

Dr Conor Norton is a professional planner and urban designer with 25 years experience in the private and public sectors in Ireland and abroad. He has been involved in academia at both the Technological University Dublin (TU Dublin) and University College Dublin since 1998 and is currently Head of the School of Transport Engineering, Environment and Planning at TU Dublin. As a consultant he has prepared and contributed to national policy and best practice for local area planning, flood risk management, urban roads and streets and unfinished residential developments. He has extensive project experience in plan-making, in particular, local area plans, SDZs, urban framework plans and urban design guidance. His PhD investigated the impact of urban form on the sustainability of urban centres and his current research areas span green infrastructure, planning for renewable energy and marine spatial planning. Dr Norton is a corporate member and served as Vice President of the Irish Planning Institute for 2018 and 2019 and was formerly chair of RTPI Ireland in 2015.



DR CONOR NORTON

Orla Carroll is Director of Product Development at Fáilte Ireland. She joined Fáilte Ireland in 2008 after working for over 10 years in the Telecommunications Industry. As Director of Product Development, Orla has responsibility for leading the development and implementation of strategies which support the sustainable development of tourism to Ireland. Orla has responsibility for the development and implementation of Irelands Tourism Development Investment strategy which strives to stimulate and support innovation in the development of tourism experiences in Ireland that will deliver greater regional and seasonal spread of tourism, while maintaining the competitiveness we already have in mature destinations. Throughout her career she has led the development and implementation of aggressive product and experience development strategies to achieve growth.



ORLA CARROLL



TOM ENRIGHT

Tom Enright was appointed Chief Executive of Wexford County Council in 2014. A native of Dungarvan, Co. Waterford, Mr. Enright worked in Limerick for almost 20 years where he held the posts of Director of Environment and Emergency Services with Limerick County Council and Director of Planning and Economic Development with Limerick City and County Councils. He previously worked with Waterford and Wicklow County Councils and with consultants in the private sector. He Chairs the National Libraries Development Committee and the CCMA Land Use and Transportation Committee. He is a graduate of University College Cork and Cranfield University in the UK and holds a Masters degree in Business Administration from Dublin City University.



PAUL HOGAN

Paul Hogan is the Chief Planner (Acting) at the Department of Housing Planning and Local Government, where he has worked as a Senior Adviser since 2015. He was the Project Manager for the National Planning Framework, tasked with establishing the Urban Regeneration and Development Fund and is currently responsible for national, regional and urban planning policy as part of Project Ireland 2040. Paul has more than 25 years professional planning experience, including 18 years in local Government at South Dublin, Meath and Kildare County Councils and 5 years in the private sector, in both Ireland and the UK. During 10 years as Senior Planner at South Dublin County Council, he led teams that delivered a range of plans, Strategic Development Zone (SDZ) Planning Schemes, transport projects, sustainability initiatives and school delivery, as well as development management. This includes the initial planning and development of the Adamstown SDZ. Paul graduated from University College Dublin with a Master of Regional and Urban Planning degree in 1992.

Dr Riëtte Oosthuizen is Urban Planning Partner at HTA Design LLP, an award-winning design practice specialising in residential and mixed use development of all scales. She has 22 years of experience as an urban planning consultant, academic and researcher in South Africa and the UK with interests in planning with communities, tackling social exclusion exacerbated through the built environment and innovative ways of solving the housing crisis. She co-directs HTA's research projects, and leads on amongst others on #Supurbia, the practice's thinking on suburban intensification through careful design coding measures. Riëtte's team has delivered a substantial portfolio of housing developments with local authority clients and have built up specific expertise in dealing with the challenges posed by infill sites and larger estate regeneration projects. Riëtte is a Chartered Member of the RTPi and sits on the planning policy committee of the RIBA and the planning policy and research group of the RTPi.



DR RIËTTE OOSTHUIZEN

Sybil Berne BSc MRUP MSc MIPI MIEEnvSc is a planning consultant with MacCabe Durney Barnes since 2012. She has a Masters in Regional and Urban Planning (UCD) and in Marine Spatial Planning (Ulster University). She previously worked on research projects and guidance documents on marine spatial planning, renewable energy and environmental assessment on behalf of State Agencies, the Marine Institute, the SEAI and the Environmental Protection Agency. She was part of the team supporting the Marine Institute with the Marine Spatial Planning Spatial Data and Evidence which have helped shape the upcoming National Marine Planning Framework. She is also experienced in drafting policy documents, strategies and plans on behalf of local authorities. She published an article in Pleanáil 2019 which reviews the role of marine spatial planning in the form of marine spatial planning (MSP) to facilitate conflict resolution for marine renewable energy.



SYBIL BERNE



PAUL SCOTT

Paul Scott is Environmental Planning Manager in the EU and International Planning Regulation Unit in the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government. The objective of the EUIPR unit is to ensure that the planning system in Ireland is compliant with EU and international legislation, including the numerous EU Environmental Directives. One of the EUIPR unit's primary roles, which Paul leads on, is providing SEA advisory functions to the Department, including screening and management of Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Directive/Appropriate Assessment processes for Plans and Programmes made by the Planning Division, as well as providing professional/technical advice on EU Planning Regulatory matters.



PAULA GALVIN

Paula is a Director with McCutcheon Halley Planning Consultants Dublin office and has 20 years' experience in successfully delivering both planning and environmental consents. Having worked in both development and consultancy roles, Paula understands that there are many factors that influence development proposals, and a balance must be achieved to ensure that projects remain viable while working within the parameters of relevant planning and environmental policy and legislation. Paula has directed the preparation of Environmental Impact Assessment Reports for a diverse range of projects including residential, infrastructure and renewable energy generation. She is particularly interested in environmental planning law and the impact of decisions from European and Irish courts on development proposals. Paula holds a MSc in Spatial Planning from Dublin Institute of Technology, an M.A. in Geography from University College Dublin, a Diploma in EIA and SEA Management from University College Dublin, and a Diploma in Planning and Environmental Law from Kings Inns.

Deirdre Scully is Deputy City Planner in Dublin City Council leading planning policy with the City. Deirdre previously worked on the delivery of the North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock Strategic Development Zone and on the preparation of the Poolbeg and Grangegorman SDZ and on a number of local area plans in Dublin City Council. Previously Deirdre was the Regional Planning Guidelines officer with the Dublin & Mid-East Regional Authorities and led the preparation and adoption of the current Regional Planning Guidelines for the Greater Dublin Area (2010), and the Retail Strategy for the Greater Dublin Area. Her other experience includes working on the 2005 Fingal County Development Plan, and a number of years working in development management in Fingal, Drogheda, South Dublin and Louth County Authorities and community planning in Ballymun, Dublin.



DEIDRE SCULLY

Nuala has been working in urban development internationally for over 20 years; she took up the role as Director for Economy of Place with Bristol City Council in July 2018. Preceding that she was Director of City Centre Development with Belfast City Council where she established a new Regeneration and Development Department for the city. Prior to that she was Head of Regeneration with the London Borough of Newham; leading one of the largest regeneration projects in Europe; ranging from post-Olympic projects in Stratford to Canning Town and the Royal Docks. She has worked in New York City in both private and non-profit sector, leading on sustainable urban development as well as teaching at Columbia University's Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation. A registered architect and urban designer, earlier work included housing in local government in Ireland, community projects in India and an architect in the private sector.



NUALA GALLAGHER

**VALERIE O'KEEFFE**

Valerie O' Keeffe is the CEO of ClarityVP Consulting. An experienced Strategic Planning & Change Management specialist, Valerie has over 20 years experience devising and implementing interventions of this nature globally. A board level executive, Valerie held many senior corporate positions in her career and was appointed to the Board of AIB Corporate, Commercial & Institutional Banking in 2011. As well as running her own Management Consultancy, she is also co-founder of Women in Property & Construction Ireland. Valerie holds a Masters in Organisational Behaviour from Trinity College Dublin, Leadership & Coaching Strategies from Harvard University Boston as well as qualifications in Corporate Strategy, Strategic Marketing, Business Studies and Public Relations.

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DELEGATE INFORMATION

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Accommodation has been secured at a special delegate rate and should be booked through the central booking line in the Clayton Whites +353 53 91 22 311 and quote conference code PLIN220420. Early booking for delegates is advisable.

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