

Building Health

Planning and designing for health and happiness

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Biographies

Conference chair

Judy Orme

Judy Orme is a Reader in Public Health in the Faculty of Health and Life Sciences at the University of the West of England, Bristol. She is the Co-director of the Institute for Sustainability, Health and Environment (ISHE) and the Director of the Centre for Public Health Research. Her research interests extend across the field of multidisciplinary public health and include healthy settings and communities, arts and health and public health workforce development.

Morning speakers

Irena Bauman

Irena Bauman is co-founder of Bauman Lyons Architects Ltd, an architectural practice committed to experimenting with new design processes. She is the author of *How to be a Happy Architect* and is Chair of the placemaking committee of CABE (Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment). She is also a member of CABE's operations committee and acts as an Enabling Commissioner. Her work has been widely published and has received numerous architectural awards.

Mike Kelly

Professor Mike Kelly is Director of the Centre of Public Health Excellence at the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) and has led the development of the institute's public health portfolio since 2005. His work at NICE has included public health guidelines on the prevention and management of obesity, on physical activity and the environment, and on spatial planning.

Gabriel Scally

Dr Gabriel Scally has been Regional Director of Public Health for the South West region of England since 1994. He leads the Regional Public Health Group which has responsibilities across the broad field of public health including health intelligence, health protection and health improvement programmes.

Russell Jones

Dr Russell Jones is a Public Health Programme Manager at the Glasgow Centre for Population Health. The Centre is a resource to generate insights and evidence and provide leadership for action to improve health and tackle inequality. Russell Jones leads the programme on 'healthy urban planning', which focuses on ways in which urban planning can have a positive impact on health, well-being and quality of life.

Wulf Daseking

Wulf Daseking has been the Director of City Planning in Freiburg, Germany, since 1984. He previously held a similar role at Müllheim/Ruhr. At Freiburg he is responsible for urban development, land development, landscape planning, masterplan development and individual projects. Freiburg is widely cited as an exemplar of healthy communities and sustainable settlements and is frequently looked to by planners and designers across Europe.

Masterclass speakers

Richard Cass

Richard Cass founded Cass Associates in 1983 and has worked in the environmental field for over 35 years, mainly as a consultant. He has extensive experience as an architect, landscape architect, masterplanner and urban designer and a thorough working knowledge of the planning system. His work covers a wide range of fields, including the provision of green infrastructure in relation to the design and implementation of new development.

Ben Cave

Ben Cave is Director of Ben Cave Associates (BCA) and works on health impact assessment and integrating health into the development planning process. He has a background in action research, social sciences and public health. He worked with the World Health Organisation to co-author the health chapter of the United Nations Environmental Commission for Europe (UNECE) Guidance Manual on Strategic Environmental Assessment, and he is the Co-Chair of the health section of the International Association for Impact Assessment.

Nigel Curry

Dr Nigel Curry is Professor of Countryside Planning at the University of the West of England and Director of the Countryside and Community Research Institute. His research interests concern the use that is made of the countryside for exercise and recreation and currently he is undertaking two funded projects in this area. He is a member of the South West Government Office's Rural Affairs Forum.

Sarah Elliott

Sarah Elliott is a Senior Planning Director at AECOM Design and Planning. She has a broad range of experience in planning and development from both a consultancy and public sector perspective. Sarah Elliott has undertaken a variety of public and private sector development, regeneration and planning projects, including consultancy support for the London Borough of Barnet on the Brent Cross and Cricklewood Development and consultant lead for the London Thames Gateway Social Infrastructure Framework.

Sarah Gaventa

Sarah Gaventa is the Director of CABI Space, the Government's advisor on urban public space in England and the specialist unit within CABI that aims to bring excellence to the design and management of parks and public spaces in our towns and cities. She is the author of various books, including *New Public Spaces*, presents architecture and design programmes on TV and Radio and is a founder member of the London Architecture Festival Committee.

Annabel Precious

Annabel Precious is a Project Director at Alan Baxter Associates. She has a broad range of experience in transport and movement issues having worked on a number of urban design projects. She has produced transport advice and options appraisals for regeneration schemes, conducted transport assessments and worked on masterplanning street hierarchies and parking layouts, as well as being involved in highway design.

Dinah Roake

Dinah Roake trained as an architect and has spent the past 25 years working in community architecture, social housing and more recently on the 'client' side as part of Internal Consultancy at the Homes & Communities Agency (HCA), advising on social infrastructure provision and long term stewardship for regeneration and growth projects. Her work has focussed not only on built interventions but also on how the process of co-design can put in place the conditions for success for a place to become a sustainable community. The HCA is the Government's national housing and regeneration delivery agency for England.

Masterclass chairs

Hugh Barton

Hugh Barton is Professor of Planning, Health and Sustainability and Director of the WHO Collaborating Centre for Healthy Cities and Urban Policy at the University of the West of England. His main focus is the conversion of theory and principle into practice. To this end he has produced highly innovative practical guides – notably *Sustainable Settlements* in 1995 and *Shaping Neighbourhoods for health, sustainability and vitality* in 2003, both collaboratively with colleagues with complementary professional backgrounds.

Guy Briggs

Guy Briggs is a consultant architect and urban planner. He is co-Chair of the Bristol Urban Design Forum as well as heading its Strategic Urban Design Advisory Group, and is an academician of the Academy of Urbanism. He has published several articles and papers, and lectured in the UK, USA and South Africa, on aspects of regeneration, urbanism and sustainability. His work is driven by a strong belief in the social value of urban space, and his track record includes working with CABE to set up CABE Space.

Jim Claydon

Jim Claydon has 37 years' experience of planning across the public, private and academic sectors. He was President of the Royal Town Planning Institute in 2007/8 and is currently a member of the Institute's General Assembly. He is a board member of Creating Excellence and Visiting Professor of Spatial Planning at the University of the West of England.

Susan Francis

Susan Francis is Special Advisor for Health at CABE and works closely with the UK Government's Department of Health for which she chairs the NHS Design Review Panels for all major investment projects. She works with CABE to support health clients to develop excellent design briefs, generate and publish information on the benefits of good design, and pioneer new thinking about healthcare design.

Graham Parkhurst

Graham Parkhurst is Professor of Sustainable Mobility in the Centre for Transport & Society at the University of the West of England. His research experience includes studies of the motivations for transport policy change and evaluations of the effects of adopted policy on travel behaviour, the economy and the environment. He has practical experience of the transport planning system and has advised local authorities, developers, residents' groups, and pressure groups, and has been involved in public enquiries into park and ride and guided busway proposals.

Sarah Tickner

Sarah Tickner is a Specialty Registrar in Public Health at NHS Devon. She is currently leading on a Rural Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Devon, which outlines the actions needed to improve the overall health, wellbeing and quality of life of all people living in rural areas. This has been a challenging piece of work as Devon is the third largest county in England, with over 90% of its land area classified as 'rural' (settlements of fewer than 10,000 people). In addition, this is the first Rural Health and Wellbeing Strategy for the county. For details of the strategy, please email: sarah.tickner@nhs.net.

Peter Wilkinson

Peter Wilkinson's career has mainly focused on countryside recreation, management and planning, with his most significant role in the national community forests movement. He is currently Parks and Estates Service Manager for Bristol City Council, where he has been the driving force behind the development of the parks service for Bristol residents and visitors. Peter Wilkinson became a Director of GreenSpace in September 2001 and leads on the regional development programme for the national charity as well as Charing GreenSpace South West. He is also on the Enabling Panel of CABE Space, advising local authorities on the development of green space strategies.