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Planning Reforms

Living with Beauty. Will planning reforms help or hinder the landscape practice?

28 - 30 September 2021

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Welcome

We are delighted to welcome you to the Planning Reforms CPD Conference: Living with Beauty.

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Landscape Institute

Day 1 Agenda: 28 September 2021

Main stage

9:00 Welcome and opening remarks

Dr Keren Jones CMLI, Honorary Secretary of the **Landscape Institute**

Sue James, Convenor, **Trees and Design Action Group**

Kate Bailey CMLI, Landscape Planning Consultant

Paul Lincoln, Commissioning Editor, **Landscape Institute**

9:05 Keynote: Beauty and why it matters

During this session you will get an understanding of 'beauty' and that it is more than aesthetics. It will provide a glimpse into the way beauty has and needs to shape public policy and discuss how to make beauty central to the way we make decisions for the future.

Dame Fiona Reynolds DBE, MA, MPhil, Master of **Emmanuel College, Cambridge**

Chair: Dr Keren Jones CMLI, Honorary Secretary, **Landscape Institute**

9:45 Break

10:00 Main stage

Session 2A: Incorporating landscape into local plan making

The session will set out Reading's experience in incorporating landscape considerations into Reading's new Local Plan (2019) and challenges that have been faced in developing and implementing this policy. It will also consider the future of local plan-making and how proposed significant changes to the form and process for local plans in the Planning White Paper might affect how landscape is approached.

Mark Worringham, Principal Planning Officer,

Reading BC

Chair: Dr Keren Jones CMLI, Honorary Secretary of the **Landscape Institute**

10:00 Session room

Session 2B: Planning for Beauty and Biodiversity and the Role of Water

This session will provide an overview of the approaches to the interrelations of innovation in water management and landscape solutions and how the planning process can encourage more diffusion of eco innovation at early stages. How can beauty and biodiversity metrics be developed and integrated with the desire to incorporate more SUDs across public realm and private sector developments?

Charlotte Markey, Green Urbanisation Innovation Manager,

Polypipe Civils and Green Urbanisation

Chair: Kate Bailey CMLI, Landscape Planning Consultant

10:00 Session room

Session 2C: Landscape Led Development

This session will explore some of the key topics covered in the Trees and Design Action Group (TDAG)'s latest guide: Trees, Planning and Development: A Guide for Delivery (2021). It will then cover the importance of nature within the built environment to support quality public realm and to achieve public benefits and commitments on biodiversity and health and wellbeing.

Anne Jaluzot, Green infrastructure consultant

Rebecca Britton, Regional Director, Communities, Communications and Partnerships, **Urban and Civic**

Chair: Sue James, Convenor, **Trees and Design Action Group**

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11:00 Expo Booth

Sponsor surgery: Come and ask Boughton about Natural Soil

Boughton will be available in their expo booth for questions about Natural Soil, it's uses, benefits and application in your schemes.

Jason Lock, Business Development Manager, **Boughton**

11:00 Expo Booth

Sponsor surgery: Specific tailored solutions for your projects' Green Infrastructure

At this surgery Hardscape would love to meet with you online to discuss your planning concerns that cover the whole subject of mitigation and adaption when it comes to specification and selection of materials that will satisfy the criteria of the Environmental and Design Planning Reforms and the National Model Design Code.

Hardscape

11:00 Expo Booth

Sponsor surgery: Wildflowers, creating sbeauty in the landscape environment

This surgery will explore the preparation, planning and maintenance of a wildflower project.

Stuart Ball, John Chambers Wildflowers Business Manager, **Green-tech**

11:30 Main stage

Session 3A: Responding to reforms from a landscape perspective

During this session you will learn how the planning reforms may impact on your projects. It will explore how to respond to the reforms in your working practice and how best to advise your clients about the planning reforms.

Natasha Jones CMLI, Director of Landscape Architecture, **Stantec UK Limited**

Wendy Lancaster, Landscape Director, **Tyler Grange**

Kate Bailey CMLI, Landscape Planning Consultant
Chair: Dr Keren Jones CMLI, Honorary Secretary of the **Landscape Institute**

11:30 Session room

Session 3B: Planning Law – key principles and recent developments

This session provide an outline of the statutory framework for planning decisions, and its reform – what has stood the test of time, what has been lost, and what might be the priorities of the new Secretary of State. It will also discuss the influence of climate change on planning law, policy, and professional practice and the significance of design in recent revisions to the NPPF.

Harriet Townsend, Barrister, **Cornerstone Barristers**

Chair: Sue James, Convenor, **Trees and Design Action Group**

11:30 Session room

Session 3C: Wildflowers - Creating beauty in the landscape environment

During the session Stuart will be covering all the considerations to be made when specifying wildflowers as part of a landscape project. It's all about the 'right plant in the right place,' the preparation and planning that is needed and the maintenance required to achieve a successful bloom year on year. Stuart will include wildflower case studies of projects that have added beauty to traditional landscape environments.

Stuart Ball, John Chambers Wildflowers Business Manager, **Green-tech**

Chair: Paul Lincoln, Commissioning Editor, **Landscape Institute**



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12:35 Break

13:00 Main stage

Session 4A: Planning for Greener Recovery

Will current planning regulations help or hinder a green recovery? In this session Louise will explore new places, decarbonisation of home building, low carbon infra under new planning regulations and their role in delivering a greener recovery. It will then set out the RTPI's proposals around local environmental delivery.

Dr Louise Brooke-Smith OBE FRICS MRTPI, Director, **Consilio Strategic Consultancy Ltd**
Richard Blyth FRTPI FAcSS, Head of Policy Practice and Research, **Royal Town Planning Institute**
Chair: Dr Keren Jones CMLI, Honorary Secretary of the **Landscape Institute**

14:00 Break

14:05 Main stage. Closing Remarks

Dr Keren Jones CMLI, Honorary Secretary of the **Landscape Institute**
Sue James, Convenor, **Trees and Design Action Group**
Kate Bailey CMLI, Landscape Planning Consultant
Paul Lincoln, Executive Director, Commissioning Editor, **Landscape Institute**

14:20 Close

13:00 Session room

Session 4B: Playscapes: The unsung hero in quality planning

'Human society and the beauty of nature are meant to be enjoyed together.' Ebenezer Howard (1898) The Living with Beauty report that has been influential in shaping the planning policy framework makes some important references to the value of nature and the quality of life that comes with it.

Michael Hoenigmann, Owner and Director, **Jupiter Play & Leisure**
Jennifer Tindsley, Landscape Architect & Design Manager, **Jupiter Play & Leisure**
Chair: Paul Lincoln, Commissioning Editor, **Landscape Institute**

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Main stage

9:00 Welcome and opening remarks

Jane Findlay CMLI PLI, President of the **Landscape Institute**

Dr Wei Yang, President, **Royal Town Planning Institute**

Sharon Durdant-Hollamby, President, **Institute of Chartered Foresters**, Director, **Sharon Hosegood Associates**

Chair: Laura Schofield CMLI, Membership Development Manager, **Landscape Institute**

9:05 Keynote: National Model Design Code explained

The session will outline the background to the code, the objective to raising design quality of the places and homes through use of coding to be employed by local planning authorities as a toolkit so that it can be applied as a process and tailored to the needs of the context. The focus will be on the landscape aspects of national design guidance and the code.

Andy Von Bradsky, Director, **von Bradsky Enterprises**

Chair: Jane Findlay CMLI PLI, President of the **Landscape Institute**

9:45 Break

10:00 Main stage

Session 2A: Delivering BNG through the planning system

At this session Anna will set BNG in a strategic planning context, showing how the existing system could be improved through an environmental lens and exploring how we can make BNG a successful part of the planning system.

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Chair: Jane Findlay CMLI PLI, President of the **Landscape Institute**

10:00 Session room

Session 2B: Green Infrastructure Design Guide

Natural England's Green Infrastructure (GI) Design Guide will form part of the developing National Framework of Green Infrastructure Standards. This session will provide an update on the project and a discussion on how GI and design standards can be brought together.

Clare Warburton, **Natural England**

Dawn Griffiths, Senior Adviser- Green Infrastructure, **Natural England**

Andrew Linfoot, Director for Landscape Architecture, **Jacobs**

Chair: Dr Wei Yang, President, **Royal Town Planning Institute**

10:00 Session room

Session 2C: The role of the arboriculturist

In this presentation, David will use a range of case studies to show how trees can be protected and successfully retained in the toughest of circumstances without it costing an arm and a leg!

David Cashman, Associate Director, **Barrell Tree Consultancy**

Philip Simpkin, Ecology Team Leader, **Buckinghamshire Council**

Chair: Sharon Durdant-Hollamby, President, **Institute of Chartered Foresters**, Director, **Sharon Hosegood Associates**

Expo room

11:05 Meet our sponsors in the Expo Area



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11:30 Networking area

Session 3A: Networking Session

Meet the speakers and sponsors

All attendees, speakers and sponsors are invited to this networking session to connect, talk with their peers and industry experts and exchange information.

11:30 Session room

Session 3B: LI Competency Framework Focus session - Improving professional competencies to deliver better business development

This session will focus on practical business development and planning steps that you can take to develop your professional competencies to meet the Landscape Institute requirements whilst providing a solid platform to grow your practice.

Matt Wheeler, Marketing Director, **Firestarter Business Solutions Ltd**
Chris O'Riordan, Managing Director, **Firestarter Business Solutions Ltd**
Chair: Laura Schofield CMLI, Membership Development Manager, **Landscape Institute**

12:35 Main stage

Session 4A: Planning Reforms and Impact Assessment

This session will start with exploring the concepts of quality and beauty, and their role in forming judgements in LVIA. It will also answer the question - what are the ramifications for impact assessment as a result of the proposed planning reforms?

Dr Rufus Howard, **Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA)**
Carly Tinkler, Practice Principal, **Carly Tinkler Landscape, Environmental & Colour Consultancy**
Marc Van Grieken FLI, Director, **MVGLA**
Chair: Jane Findlay CMLI PLI, President of the **Landscape Institute**

13:35 Break

13:50 Main stage. The Three Presidents

This session from three presidents will explore if the planning reforms will have the desired effect of raising standards of design and 'beauty', particularly for public realm and green spaces, to create sustainable communities?

Jane Findlay CMLI PLI, President of the **Landscape Institute**
Dr Wei Yang, President, **Royal Town Planning Institute**
Sharon Durdant-Hollamby, President, Institute of Chartered Foresters, Director, **Sharon Hosegood Associates**
Chair: Laura Schofield CMLI, Membership Development Manager, **Landscape Institute**

14:15 Close

12:35 Session room

Session 4B: SuDS - what is the Future Policy?

This session will discuss the direction of travel of SuDS, how planning may develop in the future based on recently published government research updated legislation and guidance including the model design codes and Biodiversity Net Gain. It will also include a product demonstration and how the new MicroSuDS solution is enhancing new developments, highways and retrofit schemes.

Howard Gray, PR & Specification Consultant, **GreenBlue Urban**
Sue Illman PPLI, Managing Director, **Illman Young Landscape Design Ltd**
Chair: Dr Wei Yang, President, **Royal Town Planning Institute**



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Main stage

9:00 Welcome and opening remarks

Brodie Mcallister FLI FHEA, President Elect LI, **Brodie McAllister L Arch**
Sue Morgan, CEO, **Landscape Institute**
David Hackett, Technical Director, **Biora Ltd**

9:05 Keynote: Building Better Building Beautiful

This session will answer the question how do we create places that are happier healthier and more sustainable?

Nicholas Boys Smith, Director, **Create Streets**
Chair: Brodie Mcallister, President Elect LI, **Brodie McAllister L Arch**

9:45 Break

10:00 Main stage

Session 2A: Living with Beauty

The presentation will explore what does it mean to live well and how do we go about building neighbourhoods that support healthier, greener, more sustainable lifestyles by default. It will then discuss reflections on the way in which planning reforms may assist the objectives of creating beautiful places.

Andrew Johnston, Head of Planning,
House by Urban Splash
Stephen Kelly, Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development, **Greater Cambridgeshire Shared Planning**
Harriet Bourne, Director, **BBUK Studio**
Chair: Brodie Mcallister FLI FHEA, President Elect LI,
Brodie McAllister L Arch

11:05 Break

10:00 Session room

Session 2B: Where next for Impact Assessment? EIA, SEA and Planning Reforms

This session will answer the following questions: What are the ramifications for impact assessment as a result of the proposed planning reforms? How is impact assessment evolving in the context of rapidly changing technology, policy and legislation?

Dr Rufus Howard, Impact Assessment Policy Lead,
Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA)
Dr Urmila Jha-Thakur, Lecturer, **University of Liverpool**
Josh Fothergill, Founder and Director, **Fothergill Training & Consulting Ltd**
Chair: Sue Morgan, CEO, **Landscape Institute**

10:00 Session room

Session 2C: Natural Soils & BS3882

Natural Topsoil has in recent years been overshadowed by a multitude of manufactured soils, this session will re-introduce the delegates to natural soils, where they sit within BS3882 – 2015, the intrinsic benefits of specifying a Natural Soil and what can be expected. In an environment of sustainability, carbon consciousness and climate change, natural soils could be an answer to some of these questions, especially as we consider longer term soil biology and the increasing importance of soil health.

Jason Lock, Business Development Manager, **Boughton**
Chair: David Hackett, Technical Director, **Biora Ltd**

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11:30 Main stage

Session 3A: Planning for climate change adaptation

The session will explore the main drivers and aims of the project, the key challenges faced, and the urban forestry concept that the project takes. It will then provide an overview of how Flood Re came to be, the increasing threat of flooding in the UK, the mitigation imperative.

Dr Matthew Ling, Project Lead, Cambridge Canopy Project, **Cambridge City Council**

Katherine Greig, Head of Transition, **Flood Re**

Chair: Sue Morgan, CEO, **Landscape Institute**

12:35 The Quiz - COP26

COP26 is dominating the debate about how we tackle climate emergency. However, despite the political focus on events planned in Glasgow this November, how much do you really know about this COP and the last twenty-five? Check how well you understand the role of the UK government, the role of landscape architecture and what will a good outcome look like. Join this quiz to test yourself and get an exciting prize! Taking place on the last day of the conference on Thursday 30th September and just a month before the event itself, make the most of this rare opportunity to explore one of the ways in which politics and climate emergency meet on the international stage.

Led by: Paul Lincoln, Commissioning Editor, **Landscape Institute**

13:00 Closing Remarks

Brodie McAllister FLI FHEA, President Elect LI, **Brodie McAllister L Arch**

Sue Morgan, CEO, **Landscape Institute**

David Hackett, Technical Director, **Biora Ltd**

13:15 Close

Meet our speakers



Anne Jaluzot
Green Infrastructure Consultant

Anne is an urban planner, with 20 years of experience primarily gathered in the US and the UK in environmentally led approaches to urban policy, design and regeneration. In the UK, as part of the Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE), she has led CABE Space's input into a wide range of local green infrastructure planning initiatives. Anne now works as an independent consultant.



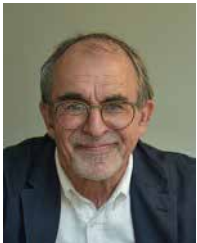
Andrew Johnston
House by Urban Splash

Andrew is a chartered town planner and Head of Planning at House by Urban Splash. Formerly a Director at Avison Young, Andrew has worked as a developer and consultant for the past 16 years. In that time, he has helped secure major planning approvals across the UK, and in New Zealand, to regenerate existing neighbourhoods and create brand new communities as part strategic urban extensions.



Carly Tinkler
Carly Tinkler Landscape, Environmental & Colour Consultancy

Carly is a freelance practitioner with 40 years' experience in landscape, environmental and colour assessment, planning, masterplanning and design. She has worked on high-profile projects in the UK and overseas alongside architects such as Richard Rogers and Norman Foster. Schemes include Monaco's off-shore extension, and a £26 billion eco-resort in Montenegro. She was a contributor to GLVIA1, and is a member of LI and NE working groups.



Andy Von Bradsky
Von Bradsky Enterprises

Andy is an architect with over 30 years' experience in the design and delivery of housing for the private and public sector. Previously a consultant at the Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government advising on design quality, housing supply and estate regeneration programmes, he was appointed Head of Architecture at MHCLG in March 2019. He has recently retired from the position and re-established his consultancy, von Bradsky Enterprises.



Brodie McAllister FLI FHEA
Brodie McAllister L Arch

Brodie is an award winning landscape architect with international experience who has lectured widely; former UK representative to IFLA Europe; and former trustee of the Architecture Centre (Bristol), and External Examiner at UEL; online magazine editor and previous member of several design panels.



Clare Warburton
Natural England

Clare Warburton is Principal Adviser for Green Infrastructure in Natural England. She has over 20 years' experience in the environment sector, both public and private, with a particular focus on embedding green infrastructure in development through strategic planning and good design.



Andrew Linfoot
Jacobs

Andrew is a landscape architect and urban designer with a wide range experience on infrastructure projects. He is Director for Landscape Architecture, UK and Jacobs Global Technology Lead for Landscape Architecture. The roles are about strategy, driving innovation, connectivity across technology and people, and delivering excellence.



Charlotte Markey
Polypipe Civils

Charlotte is a Qualified Urban Planner planning to undertake a PhD on Smart technologies and Nature Based Solutions. Passionate about cost effective solutions for urban greening and integrated water management. Has spent the most fantastic 18 months working for the Polypipe team.



Chris O'Riordan
Firestarter Business Solutions Ltd

Chris is Managing Director of Firestarter, a group of companies operating across a broad range of clients to drive improvement in sustainable growth strategies, sales performance and operational delivery as well as the removal of dependency on key individuals (such as owner-managers).

Meet our speakers



David Cashman
Barrell Tree Consultancy

Dave Cashman is an Associate Director and Principal Consultant with Barrell Tree Consultancy (BTC), one of the UK's most successful Arboricultural Practices, working primarily in the planning and legal sectors (<https://www.barrelltreecare.co.uk/>). He is part of a team of 14 people, specialising in assessing trees on development sites and project managing their protection through to occupation.



Dawn Griffiths
Natural England

Dawn Griffiths is a senior adviser on green infrastructure at Natural England within the Green Infrastructure Standards project team. She has a PGDip in Architecture, Energy and Environment from the Centre of Alternative Technology, UEL and a BSc (Hons) in Environmental Science.



Howard Gray
GreenBlue Urban

Urban tree enthusiast, Howard Gray, has been closely involved in trees for most of his life. Howard feels passionately that we all are responsible to future generations to give them the quality urban canopy that we all enjoy and that all sectors of the industry need to work together to ensure this happens.



Dr David Hackett
Biora Ltd

David won a Welsh Arts Council Scholarship to study Temple Gardens in Japan. On return to England to study for a Masters in Landscape Design at Manchester University, David set up the Japanese Gardens Society with the aim of promoting Japanese Garden aesthetics in landscape design. David was a practising Landscape Architect for 15 years and represented the Landscape Institute on the BSI AW020 soils committee.



Harriet Townsend
Cornerstone Barristers

Harriet Townsend is a barrister at Cornerstone Barristers. She specialises in planning, compulsory purchase, and environmental law. She is a leading senior junior with considerable experience within these fields. Recent work includes acting for Powys County Council in a major windfarm appeal, resisting the appeal on grounds of landscape (and heritage) impact.



Jane Findlay CMLI PLI
Landscape Institute

Jane Findlay is a Landscape Architect, the founding director of Fira and President of the Landscape Institute. She is an experienced masterplanner and designer of large and Complex infrastructure projects for education residential, transportation, life sciences and commercial developments.



Dame Fiona Reynolds
Emmanuel College, Cambridge

Fiona Reynolds is the author of *The Fight for Beauty*, which draws on her long career in advocacy for conservation, where she led respectively the Council for National Parks (1980-7), CPRE (1987-1998) and the National Trust (2000-2012). Since 2012 she has been Master of Emmanuel College.



Harriet Bourne
BBUK Studio

After a career in fashion, Harriet Bourne studied landscape architecture and worked in urban design and landscape architecture practices before setting up BBUK. Since the inception of the practice Harriet has run projects ranging in size from large scale urban design projects and landscape strategies through to detailed design and implementation of a range of award winning schemes both in the United Kingdom and abroad.



Jennifer Tindsley
Jupiter Play & Leisure Ltd

Jennifer started working as a Landscape Architect with Jupiter Play in 2018 and has 8 years of previous experience in the play industry. She has a background in Landscape Architecture which strongly informs her approach to the design process. With a passion for playful, landscape led design – she brings a flair for design and creativity to play projects.

Meet our speakers



**Jason Lock
Boughton**

Jason is an award-winning designer who has spent the last 30 years in the Landscape/Garden Design & Construction industry working for several companies throughout that time both as a Designer and as a Project/Contract Manager. He also ran his own business for 10 years prior to his last position at Bowles & Wyer as Head of Design & Build.



**Kate Bailey
Independent Consultant**

Originally trained and qualified as a town planner; later qualified as a landscape architect, Kate has worked with a wide variety of public, private and third sector organisations and clients, including as a Planning Inspector and an RTPI Planning Aid volunteer. From 2001, as an independent consultant, Kate has specialised in landscape planning, heritage planning, design for sustainable forms of development and is a 'Places Matter' design review panellist.



**Dr Louise Brooke-Smith OBE
FRICS MRTPI**

Consilio Strategic Consultancy Ltd
Dr Louise has over 30 years' experience across the planning, property, landuse and construction sectors within the UK and overseas. She holds numerous Non-Executive Directorships, and advisory positions, and was previously a Partner of Arcadis LLP – UK Head of Development & Strategic Planning.



**Josh Fothergill
Fothergill Training & Consulting Ltd**

Josh is an internationally recognized expert in Impact Assessment (IA) and has developed environmental assessment training for both the World Bank and European Bank of Reconstruction and Development. He is the UK's leading EIA trainer, having formally trained over 500 delegates in the past five years through contracts with clients.



**Dr Keren Jones CMLI
Landscape Institute**

Keren qualified as a chartered landscape architect in 1982, and has had a broad career spanning the private, public, and charitable sectors. This includes senior roles at Groundwork, the South East of England Development Agency, and eight years as Director of City Economy at City of Wolverhampton Council.



**Mark van Grieken FLI
MVGLA**

Marc graduated as 'ingenieur' (ir.) in Landscape Architecture at the agricultural University in Wageningen, the Netherlands and has lived in the UK since 1984. He is a Fellow of the Landscape Institute (LI), chair of the institute's Technical Committee.



**Katherine Greig
Flood Re**

Katherine Greig is Head of Transition at Flood Re, where she works on issues concerning housing resiliency and flood mitigation in the face of climate change. Prior to Flood Re, she worked as a Fellow & Strategic Advisor at the Wharton Risk Center and in the NYC Mayor's Office of Recovery and Resiliency focused on flood insurance accessibility, climate change and building mitigation.



**Laura Schofield CMLI
Landscape Institute**

Laura is the LI's Membership Development Manager. Prior to joining the LI, Laura built up her career in multi-disciplinary consultancy, specialising in the delivery of Landscape Management projects and services including Open Space and Green Infrastructure Strategies; Landscape, Conservation and Habitat Management Plans; and Management and Maintenance Costings and Contracts.



**Michael Hoenigmann
Jupiter Play & Leisure Ltd**

Michael has been working in the play industry for nearly 30 years. He is passionate about challenging the norms and delivering innovation to today's children and communities. He has served 2 terms as Chair of the Association of Play Industries (API), was Founder of Inclusive Play and has recently celebrated 21 years with Jupiter Play.

Meet our speakers



Mark Worringham
Reading Borough Council

Mark Worringham is Planning Policy Team Leader at Reading Borough Council, where he has worked on development plans since 2004. Mark led the production of the recent Reading Borough Local Plan, adopted in 2019, and is also responsible for RBC's responses to government consultations. He also manages the infrastructure monitoring, natural environment and conservation parts of the Planning section's work.



Natasha Jones CMLI
Stantec UK Limited

Natasha is a Chartered Landscape Architect with over 25 years' experience of providing consultancy advice. She is a specialist in landscape planning, providing expertise in Landscape, Townscape and Visual Impact Assessments (LVIA), pre-masterplanning landscape, visual and green infrastructure guidance, and sites in Green Belts and sensitive landscape locations.



Philip Simpkin
Buckinghamshire Council

Phil always had a passion for the outdoors this was sparked when as a child he would go adventuring and climbing trees in the hills near where he lived. This has led him on to mix practical work in agriculture, landscaping, tree surgery, forestry and conservation with studying for qualifications in those subjects. Phil works for Buckinghamshire Council and as part of a restructure he have just recently been appointed as interim Ecology Team Leader.



Matt Wheeler
Firestarter Business Solutions Ltd

Matt is Marketing Director of Firestarter, a group of companies operating across a broad range of clients to drive improvement in sustainable growth strategies, sales performance and operational delivery as well as the removal of dependency on key individuals (such as owner-managers). Matt has worked in product and marketing for over 25 years.



Niholas Boys Smith
Create Streets

Nicholas is the founding Director of Create Streets, an independent research institute that encourages and supports the creation of more and better homes in mixed use "gentle density" places rather than complex multi-storey buildings or drive to cul-de-sacs. Many of Create Streets' ideas are now being embedded in national and local planning policy.



Rebecca Britton
Urban & Civic

Rebecca joined Urban&Civic in April 2011 as the second appointment to the Alconbury Weald project. With a background in marketing, media handling and stakeholder engagement for the Imperial War Museum at Duxford, for the Forestry Commission, and for regional and national Government, Rebecca leads the engagement of local business partners and communities.



Dr Matthew Ling
Cambridge City Council

Dr Matthew Ling is the Project Lead for the Cambridge Canopy Project at Cambridge City Council. Matthew has a wide range of experience in ecological and environmental sciences, covering ecotoxicology, restoration ecology, ecosystem service and natural capital assessments, and ecological consultancy. Matthew has always had a passion for trees, so is in his element promoting trees and their many values in Cambridge.



Paul Lincoln
Landscape Institute

Paul Lincoln is Executive Director, Creative Projects and Publishing at the Landscape Institute and Commissioning Editor for Landscape, the LI's quarterly journal. Paul managed the LI's 90th Birthday Festival in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park and at Chelsea Flower Show. He has curated three exhibitions with the Building Centre, including Beyond the Green Belt and Rethinking the Urban Landscape.



Richard Blyth
Royal Town Planning Institute

Richard Blyth has been Head of Policy Practice and Research at the RTPI since 2011 during which time he has reestablished the RTPI research work programme. He has also led on the RTPI's work on Brexit, the environment and strategic planning. Before the RTPI he worked in private consultancy, and local and national government.

Meet our speakers



Dr Rufus Howard
Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment

Rufus provides expert advice on sustainability, helping organisations to manage their environmental and social impact. With over 20 years in the field, Rufus is a leading sustainability professional focusing on the management of environmental and social risk. A Fellow of the Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (FIEMA) and Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv).



Stuart Ball
Green-tech

Growing up with a keen interest in wildlife, from small insects up to large and exotic animals, Stuart's personal enthusiasm for nature over the years has led to heading up the John Chambers Wildflowers business and spreading the word on British native wildflowers, after John Chambers himself retired in 2013. Working with clients of all types, Stuart advises and create mixes to help the environment and meet project requirements.



Sue Morgan
Landscape Institute

Currently CEO for the Landscape Institute, focused on shaping the next strategic plan, development and implementation at a pivotal point in the LI's history. Previously, at Design Council, overseeing the expansion and growth of a diverse portfolio of projects and programmes – first as Director of Architecture and the Built Environment, then Executive Director, and finally as Interim CEO.



Sue Illman PPLI
Illman Young Landscape Design Ltd

Sue has been an advocate of SuDS for over 10 years, particularly in respect of the need for inter-professional collaboration to achieve fully integrated external works design. Whilst MD of Illman Young who work broadly across most development types, Sue has specialised in SuDS policy and design, and is a well known trainer and lecturer on the subject, as well as an author for SuDS guidance on behalf of CIRIA.



Stephen Kelly
Greater Cambridgeshire Shared Planning

Chief Planner for the Greater Cambridge Shared Planning Service for the last 5 years but with 30+ years in public sector planning - and over 15 years as chief planner in 4 separate organisations. Stephen has a wide range of experience covering regeneration projects in the London and provincial urban renewal and rural planning.



Dr Urmila Jha-Thakur
University of Liverpool

Urmila Jha-Thakur (PhD, MBA, BA Geog Hons, FHEA) is based as a lecturer in the Department of Geography and Planning, University of Liverpool. She has over 18 years of experience with environmental assessment (EA) through research and consultancy. Her research interest is primarily on planning and management of environmental sustainability and in exploring ways for making policies, plans, programmes and project developments more environmentally sustainable.



Sharon Durdant-Hollamby
Institute of Chartered Foresters;
Sharon Hosegood Associates

Sharon is the President of the Institute of Chartered Foresters, a Fellow of both the Institute of Chartered Foresters and the Arboricultural Association and director of Sharon Hosegood Associates. She is an arboricultural consultant working in the planning and development industry and is an expert on tree root investigations.



Sue James
Trees and Design Action Group

Sue James is a Chartered Architect. She has worked in private practice in West Wales focusing on low energy buildings in their local context. She is a founding member of the Trees and Design Action Group, a member of the Edge and has advised Futurebuild on content for the Knowledge programme since 2007.



Dr Wei Yang
Royal Town Planning Institute

Wei is the President of the Royal Town Planning Institute for 2021. She is a lead figure in researching, promoting, and implementing 21st Century Garden City approach worldwide. She has extensive experience in managing multi-disciplinary teams. Her professional strengths lie in combining innovative planning inspirations with feasible implementation solutions.

Meet our speakers



Wendy Landscaster CMLI

Tyler Grange

Wendy is a Chartered Landscape Architect and UDG Recognised Practitioner in Urban Design specialising in Impact Assessment and Green Belt Review on large-scale strategic sites. She is an expert witness on landscape planning matters, has been an advisor to the Landscape Institute on Green Belt and has been a judge for the Landscape Institute awards.

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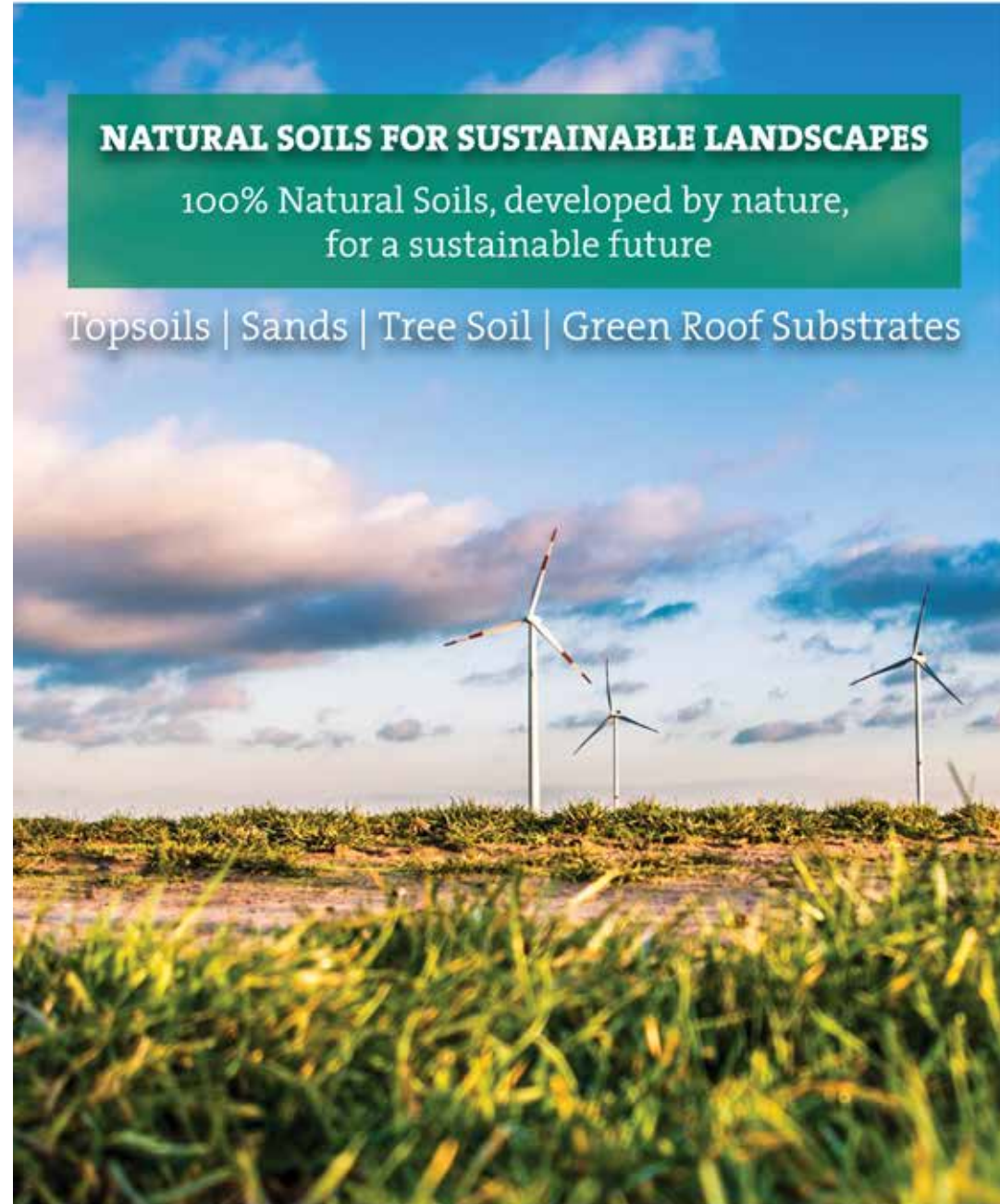
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