# What's on 2020 Conference



# SFHA Development and Procurement Conference 2020

SFHA's Development and Procurement Conference has a focus this year on green infrastructure and sustainability. Ivan Clark from Scottish National Heritage introduces our conference flyer by discussing the potential benefits of green infrastructure for the Scottish social housing sector.

## Green Infrastructure and Social Housing Ivan Clark, Scottish Natural Heritage

Ivan Clark is speaking at two sessions during Development Conference on Tuesday 17 March

Green infrastructure is a key component of healthy places. Greenspace and other green and blue features of our built environment provide opportunities for playing outdoors and for people to connect with nature and with each other. Greenspace around buildings can be used to manage flooding, mitigate the impacts of air and noise pollution and provide opportunities to grow food. Considering green spaces as 'green infrastructure' in this way can help to create places that support healthy lifestyles and thriving communities.

But there are still many places in Scotland, often associated with areas of disadvantage, where green infrastructure is of poor quality, or is not fulfilling its potential in terms of the number of benefits it could provide. This is why Scottish Natural Heritage is working with SFHA, Architecture & Design Scotland and the social housing sector to help deliver better green infrastructure associated with social housing.

The 'Green Infrastructure and Social Housing' project will provide design support for social housing providers in the early stages of procurement. The aim is to produce exemplar designs for new social housing that maximizes the benefits of green infrastructure and minimizes the long term maintenance costs associated with outdoor space.



Meadowbank Green Roof Viability Project – one of three projects featured in the session Introduction to Social Housing and Green Infrastructure Projects, which Ivan Clark is speaking at during Development Conference on Tuesday 17 March





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## **About the Development Conference Social Housing and Green Infrastructure**

This year's conference will focus on the three projects which received funding through the Social Housing and Green Infrastructure Fund in early 2019. The Fund is a collaboration between SFHA, Scottish Natural Heritage, Architecture + Design Scotland and the Scottish Government.

As well as hearing about the innovative work carried out through each project, delegates will also be able to access practical advice on how to develop in a similar way from experts and peers.

## Is the Development Conference for you?

This year's programme will be of interest to anyone who works in development and regeneration. It provides an unrivalled networking opportunity for anyone who provides development and related services to housing associations and cooperatives and their customers.

## **About the Procurement Conference**

## Sustainable and Effective Procurement Practice

Aligning with the Development focus on green infrastructure the previous day, this year's Procurement Conference will look at sustainable and effective procurement practice.

We must use all possible levers to tackle what the Scottish Government has now declared a climate emergency – and procuring from organisations who have prioritised sustainability as a core value should be a key consideration for us all.

Delegates will benefit from being able to attend a range of sessions which look at how to adapt procurement practice to meet environmental benefits, as well as hearing about the benefits of working with similarly socially responsible businesses.

We will look at how RSLs can best drive meaningful Community Benefits and impactful social value contributions in their localities, through effective procurement – and hear best practice examples of how this has worked in practice. Other sessions will also look at effective procurement practice. This will include examples of RSLs who are working in collaboration on procurement and case studies of those who have taken a proactive approach to contract management and tender specification.

Delegates will also hear from leading procurement experts on the key procurement issues and considerations for the year ahead – and beyond.

### Is the Procurement Conference for you?

If you work in Procurement, Property
Maintenance, Development, Corporate
Services or Finance and are responsible
for procuring significant works, goods and
services, then this is the conference to update
you on guidance, law and good practice.

### The exhibition

The Exhibition will ongoing throughout the Development and Procurement Conferences and will be the main networking hub.





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### Costs and how to book

Book your place at the conference online now at www.sfha.co.uk/whats-on. All prices quoted are per person and are zero VAT-rated.

### Accommodation

Macdonald Holyrood Hotel is only a three minute walk from Dynamic Earth and for those wishing to stay in Edinburgh we have secured some accommodation at the Macdonald Holyrood Hotel on 16 March or 17 March 2020 at a rate of £89.00 B&B per room, per night based on single occupancy.

If you wish to make a booking contact Macdonald Holyrood Hotel on 0344 879 9028 or call Macdonald Hotels central reservations on 0344 879 9210. Please quote reference SFHA161703 to secure the preferential rate. Please note this is subject to availability and you will need to give credit card details to secure the booking.

### **Contact information**

If you have any queries, please contact SFHA Events at events@sfha.co.uk or telephone 0141 332 8113. If you have a query about the conference programme, please contact Karen Devin at kdevin@sfha.co.uk or telephone 0141 567 6086.

## Development Conference day delegate – 17 March

SFHA Members	£229
Non Members	£319

## Procurement Conference day delegate – 18 March

SFHA Members	£229
Non Members	£310

## Book both and save £63.00!

## Development and Procurement Conferences two day delegate

SFHA Members	£395
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### Included in the price:

- attendance and materials at all sessions
- refreshments,
- lunch.



## Book three and bring a colleague for free!\*

If your organisation books three day delegates you can bring a fourth delegate for free

To receive this discount, please email events@sfha.co.uk and include the names of the booked delegates.

\*All delegate places must be booked at the same time and from the same organisation to qualify. This discount cannot be used in conjunction with any other discount or promotion.





## **SFHA Development Conference 2020 Programme**

## Tuesday 17 March 2020

10.30	Opening words from Minister for Loca
	Sally Thomas, SFHA
10.15	Welcome
09.15	Registration and tea/coffee

## Government, Housing and Planning

Kevin Stewart, MSP

## 10.50 Introduction to social housing and green infrastructure projects

Ivan Clark, Scottish Natural Heritage Ivan will introduce three projects that received funding from the Social Housing and Green Infrastructure Fund – a partnership between SFHA, Scottish Natural Heritage, Architecture + Design Scotland and the Scottish Government.

#### Meadowbank Green Roof Viability Project 11.00

Catherine Houston, Collective Architecture; Sheena Raeburn, Raeburn Farquar Bowen; representative from City of Edinburgh Council; and Dusty Gedge, Livingroofs.org This project is based on a mixed development of new housing and local amenities surrounding Meadowbank Sports Centre, in Edinburgh and will explore the contribution that green roofs could make to a sustainable neighbourhood.

#### 11.20 Queensland Court

John Giddings, Southside Housing Association, Gaye McKay, Glasgow City Council and Sheena Raeburn, RaeburnFarquarBowen This project will explore the maintenance costs associated with a new retrofitted sustainable urban drainage scheme, and new play opportunities in the grounds of one of Southside Housing Association's properties in Cardonald, Glasgow.

#### 11.40 North Maryhill

Alistair McArthur, Maryhill Housing Association and Rolf Roscher, ERZ This project will explore opportunities to deliver multifunctional green infrastructure, integrated with a mixed tenure neighbourhood at the heart of the site,

and the costs and benefits of doing so.

#### 12.00 O&A

12.30 Lunch and networking

### 13.30 Increasing off-site construction in Scotland

Andrew Nurse, Construction Scotland Innovation Centre; Mark Turley, Scottish Government

### 14.00 Breakout sessions A **A1 Building with nature** Dr Gemma Jerome, Building with Nature Delivering high quality, affordable **A2** homes with minimal carbon emissions Nick Ribbons, Zero Waste Scotland **A3** Create better greenspaces for nature and residents... and save money Dr Philip Sterling, Butterfly Conservation SFHA Innovation & Future Thinking **A4**

**Programme: Housing Futures** 

SFHA Housing Futures Project Team

Tea and coffee





## SFHA Development Conference 2020 Programme

15.00	Breakout sessions B
B1	Impact of green infrastructure on tenants and communities Irene Beautyman, Improvement Service
B2	What climate change means for housing associations?  Iain Watt, Adaptation Scotland
В3	Social housing fund for improved walking and cycling facilities  Hugh MacGregor, Cycle Scotland
B4	Place standard Kuan Loh, Scottish Government; Katrina Reid and Shruti Jain, NHS Health Scotland
15.45	Panel Discussion: Green Infrastructure – Opportunities and Barriers Ivan Clark, Scottish Natural Heritage; Lorna Wilson, SFHA and Heather Chapple, Architecture and Design Scotland

16.15 Conference close

Lorna Wilson, SFHA

### Important notice

This programme is correct at the time of release. We reserve the right to make alterations or substitutions if necessary. All timings may be subject to change. Views expressed by speakers at the event or in documents or notes provided are their own and may not necessarily be the views of SFHA.

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## SFHA Procurement Conference 2020 Programme

### Wednesday 18 March 2020

09.30 Registration and tea/coffee

### 10.30 Welcome

Sally Thomas, SFHA

### 10.45 Sustainable procurement

Barbara Morton, Sustainable Procurement
The Scottish Government has made a
commitment to mobilise the £11 billion of
annual public procurement to support the
product and service innovation needed to
respond to the climate emergency. This
presentation will explore the implications of
this commitment for buyers and suppliers. It
will look at the tools and guidance the Scottish
Government has made available to support
procuring organisations embed sustainable
procurement and how these are evolving.

### 11.20 Community benefits

David Gray, AM Bid; Julie Caughey Housing Procurement Specialist; Jennifer Phin, A.C. Whyte and Co

The ever-increasing prominence of Community Benefits in public and third sector tendering provides significant opportunities for Housing Associations to drive meaningful social value contributions in their localities. In this panel session, Julie, David and Jennifer will share their views and experiences of best practice in achieving impactful Community Benefits

outcomes through effective procurement, innovative bidding and meaningful delivery.

11.55 Refreshments and exhibition viewing

### 12.15 Breakout session A

## A1 Sustainable procurement tools Edwina Ryan, Scottish Government; Barbara Morton, Sustainable Procurement

## A2 Creating opportunities for third sector organisations Neil Young, P4P

## A3 Collaborative procurement Stevie McAvoy, Muirhouse Housing Association; Ivor Mcauley, Ferguslie Park Housing Association

## A4 Maximising value through procurement Colin Taylor, Scotland Excel

13.00 Lunch and networking

## 13.50 Procurement support programme – next steps

Mark Turley, Scottish Government; and Colin Taylor, Scotland Excel

### 14.35 Breakout session B **B1** What roles can RSLs play in helping to tackle fuel poverty Evelyn Rimmer and Jim Percival, Wise Group Tender process and specification **B2** Brian Bell, Grampian Housing Association One planet prosperity: environmental **B3** considerations in procurement Angela Burke, Matthew Connacher and Phill Leeks, SEPA FOI – dealing with contractor queries **B4** 15.20 Refreshments and exhibition viewing

## 16.10 Procurement training relaunch and closing remarks

Lesley Anderson and Graham Collie, SPA

15.35 Key procurement issues -

now and future

Sara Jackson, SFHA

16.30 Conference close



