

Planning for People™



Who is it for?

You, because planning impacts on all of us! We are inviting local residents and community groups who are unfamiliar with planning issues and processes to come along to this entry-level training and explore how Scotland's planning system offers opportunities to play an active part in your community.

Why should I go?

- discuss wider planning issues and why planning is important
- explore your role in planning
- find out how to have a say in the future of your area, effectively
- benefit from Planning Aid for Scotland's community engagement expertise, taking part in this award-winning workshop
- opportunity for useful networking and structured discussion
- re-energise and re-focus your ideas, leaving with an action plan

How will the day run?

Using interactive workshops with plenty of opportunities for questions and discussion, the day aims to be informative and relevant to your particular role and interests. Lunch and refreshments are provided.

The training will include:

- an introduction to planning and the planner
- how the planning system works including the changes brought about by planning reform, helping you to get involved
- unravelling planning jargon
- the role of the community in planning
- understanding planning permission
- how best to consider and respond to planning applications and issues
- how to get involved in planning in your area and who can support you

Who is delivering the training?

Planning Aid for Scotland is:

- a unique and independent, national charity that helps people to engage in the planning process
- the leading voice on community engagement in planning matters, being professional, trusted, impartial and effective in Scotland
- an organisation that ensures people are involved in the changes which affect their local area and beyond

Planning Aid for Scotland's fully qualified professional planning staff and volunteers have been delivering our acclaimed training since 1993. **Book your place now!** Contact training@planningaidscotland.org.uk.

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Draft Programme *Timings flexible*

10.30 Registration

10.45 Welcome and Introductions

11.00 Laying the foundation – Planning – what's it all about?

12.15 Lunch

12.45 Stepping Out – Planning in my area

14.45 Putting it all together – my community, my support, my action plan

15.15 Thanks, Evaluation and Feedback

15.30 Close

Workshop Aim – to develop the understanding and skills of participants to engage with planning in the local area, know the key people and relate the key issues in a planning context.

Workshop Objective - by the end of the training, participants will:

- possess a range of information about planning and how it works to enable involvement
- be able to identify the key planning issues in their local area and have the opportunity to practice their presentation of these issues
- have considered how the planning process should engage all people

Book your place now! If you are interested in booking a place, or require more information, please contact PAS on 0131 220 9730 or by e-mail, training@planningaidscotland.org.uk. Places are always limited, so book your place now.