Welcome to another year of learning and development opportunities for professionals engaged in the Planning Industry.

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TAILORING YOUR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
The PLANET program is administered by the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA). PLANET provides popular core learning programs and keeps you up to date with legislative, regulatory and policy changes in planning. Programs are added throughout the year and updates will be available at www.planning.org.au/nsw.

TAILORING YOUR LEARNING NEEDS
Planners play an integral role in shaping the future of our cities, towns and surrounds. Successful development outcomes require planners to have new competencies to enable the advancement of their skills in practice. PLANET provides a comprehensive range of programs which cover six key skills areas that all great planners need to be competent in (and match with our Registered planner pathway):

- Professionalism and integrity
- Spatial thinking
- Creative and multidisciplinary approach
- Communication and engagement
- Planning frameworks
- Technical knowledge

PLANET presenters are subject matter experts who are skilled in facilitating training and providing a positive learning experience to improve your knowledge.

PLANET PROMOTES “BEST PRACTICE” IN URBAN PLANNING
One of the best ways to improve your skills is to become informed of best practice models used by others. Our programs are developed to ensure improved practitioner skills through tailoring practical workshop sessions.

The learning model also provides training opportunities to address a range of personal skills gaps for career development.

BESPOKE TRAINING AVAILABLE
PIA NSW work with a number of organisations to bring our training to you anywhere in NSW. We are able to offer many of our PLANET courses as a bespoke package for your staff. For more information contact nswmanager@planning.org.au.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION BOOKINGS/STUDENTS/CANCELLATIONS
PLANET bookings and payment should be made online via the PIA website. Course numbers are strictly limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Full-time student members (with evidence) who wish to attend a program will be charged 50% of the scheduled fee. Please contact PIA to arrange. Note: The listed price for all programs includes GST.

If you cannot attend a registered session you must withdraw online no later than 7 days prior to the course. If you cannot attend and you are within 7 days of the course date, you can transfer your registration to another course or another person, provided we have at least 48 hours notice of your decision to transfer.

We cannot issue refunds or credits. If you do not attend on the day a full fee will be charged.

PIA requests payment of any outstanding invoices before you register for PLANET courses in 2020.

Check the website www.planning.org.au/nsw for updates to venues and start times.

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PLANNING SYSTEM

PLANNING FOR NON-PLANNERS

This course will provide you with a practical and robust introduction to the NSW Planning System. It will be especially beneficial to people from a non-planning background that would like a better understanding of how urban planning operates in NSW. Participants will be provided with a range of planning documents in the course notes and a planning jargon buster.

DESIGNED FOR:
Staff at public and private organisations who work with planners and/or interact with the planning system. It would also be useful for members of the public who are interested in finding out how the planning system works.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• The purposes and rationale for planning;
• Planning terms and jargon;
• How the planning system works in NSW and in Australia;
• How local councils fit into the planning system;
• The role of land use zones in planning;
• How the two main planning tasks (controlling development and making plans) work; and
• The purpose of the main planning documents used by planners.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Prof. Peter Phibbs
Professor Phibbs is a geographer, planner and social economist. Whilst his main research area has been involved with the development of the affordable housing sector and on the relationship between planning systems and housing supply, he has always been passionate about explaining the working of the planning system to as many stakeholders as possible. He has delivered a short course – planning for non-planners, to public sector staff, politicians, community group and the private sector since 2006. He holds the view that training that helps people understand how the planning system works is important for reducing the potential misunderstandings and confusion about the planning system.

He is also currently a member of the World Health Organisation’s working group which has prepared a set of guidelines on the connections between housing and health. He is the Director of the Henry Halloran Trust at the University of Sydney – a research trust funded through philanthropy.

YOUR GUIDE TO NOISE ASSESSMENT

Join us for a short course designed for non-acousticians who as part of their work need to understand NSW noise regulations and be able to interpret a specialist Noise Impact Assessment Report for a new project or modification to an existing operation.

The course will focus on how to review a Noise Impact Assessment, determine which noise policy documents are applicable to a project, understand the assumptions that have been made and predictions calculated, assess the reasonableness and feasibility of any mitigation measures proposed, and set practical noise objectives.

A strong mathematical background is not required, as acoustical fundamentals will only be discussed conceptually and some tips and ‘rules-of-thumb’ explained so that you will be able to make more robust judgements regarding noise impacts.

DESIGNED FOR:
Town Planners, Environmental Managers and Assessment Officers

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• Overview of Noise Generation and Propagation;
• EP&A Act and the POEO Act in relation to noise;
• Noise Policies applicable in NSW and an overview of the more commonly applied ones; and
• Likely scenarios involving noise that a planner might expect to encounter.

COURSE PRESENTERS:
Jeff Parnell, Noise Specialist, NSW Department of Planning and Environment
Jeff is the Chair of the NSW Division of the Australian Acoustical Society and is an Adjunct Academic at UNSW and a Visiting Fellow at UTS.

Jeff generally works on projects of State significance such as mines, wind farms and large infrastructure projects and has been involved in the development of all of the current noise policy documents used in NSW. He has authored more than 50 journal and conference papers and technical articles.

Mark Russell, Principal Consultant, SLR
Mark specialises in environmental noise and vibration impact assessments for major transport and infrastructure projects in NSW and Australia.

His experience includes the measurement, modelling, assessment and control of noise and vibration emissions from roads and railways.

LEARN MORE AT:
http://www.planet2020.org.au
PLANNING PROPOSALS 101

The statutory planning controls contained in local environmental plans inevitably require updating, whether it is in response to a wide scale strategic planning exercise or changes in site specific circumstances. A planning proposal is the mechanism to achieve this, and may relate to a change of zone or specific development standards, or both!

Join us for a short course designed for Planners and allied practitioners involved in the rezoning process. We will look at what a planning proposal is (and what it isn’t) in the context of the legislative framework. From a practical perspective we will use case studies to look at what a planning proposal should contain, the steps in the process and indicative timeframes.

This course will identify the key challenges and opportunities associated with planning proposals, as we embark upon the journey to transform local planning controls to meet the current needs and aspirations of local communities. This will include demonstrating strategic merit, evaluating options and understanding the role of consultation within each step of the process.

DESIGNED FOR:
Statutory and Strategic Planners, Urban Designers and Development Managers.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
- What is a planning proposal, and what should it contain;
- Overview of the legislative framework;
- Steps in the process and indicative timeframes; and
- Key challenges and opportunities.

COURSE PRESENTERS:
Juliet Grant RPIA (Fellow), Executive Director, City Plan Strategy & Development P/L
- Juliet is an experienced planner with 26 years’ strategic and statutory experience in local and state government and the consulting environment. She has a deep knowledge of the political, policy and legislative environment and an in depth understanding of government processes and how to apply them.

Helen Deegan MPIA (Fellow), Director, City Plan Strategy & Development P/L
- Helen is a qualified planner with a diploma in property development as well being a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Helen has extensive experience and expertise in all types of strategic and statutory planning, including preparation and delivery of SSDA, local development assessment and planning proposals.

Date
Wednesday, 25 March 2020

Time
8:30am-12:30pm

Venue
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Price
PIA members $225
Non-members $310

PLANNING PROPOSALS 101 - REGIONAL

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COURSE PRESENTER:
Amanda Wetzel MAPIA, Regional Director, City Plan Strategy & Development P/L
- Amanda is a qualified urban and regional planner and engagement professional (IAP2). She has over 10 years’ experience working in State and Local Government in Australia and as a private consultant in Europe and the Middle East. Specialising in strategic land use development and policy formulation, Amanda has a demonstrated track-record in stakeholder and community engagement.

Amanda has expertise in concept planning, urban design and preparing and implementing long-term planning and development initiatives. Her project experience ranges from National-level policy to Main Street masterplans, for public and private clients. She is highly-regarded for her effective communication and engagement skills, providing a basis for establishing a common understanding and vision for change supported by tangible actions.

Date
Thursday, 19 March 2020

Time
8:30am-12:30pm

Venue
Newcastle City Hall - Mulubinba Room
290 King St
Newcastle NSW 2300

Price
PIA members $225
Non-members $310
STATEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS - TIPS N TRICKS

Whether your Statements of Environmental Effects (SEE) effectively delivers your message can be the difference between a smooth or frustrating development process. A good SEE provides Council and the community with enough information to understand your project and its merits, whilst addressing all the statutory requirements – no mean feat!

Writing a good SEE takes time, practice and insight. This course will provide you with knowledge to improve your SEEs.

DESIGNED FOR:
New and not so new practitioners striving to write better Statements of Environmental Effects and those tasked with assessing them.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• The importance of strategic context;
• Preparing reports proportionate to the issue; and
• The view from both sides of the fence, including the perspective of Planning Panel members.

COURSE PRESENTERS:
Stephen Kerr MPIA, Executive Director, City Plan Strategy & Development P/L
Stephen Kerr has almost 30 years’ experience at senior levels in private practice and local and state government, Stephen offers extensive experience in strategic and statutory planning, design control and assessment, organisational review and reform, due diligence and strategic development advice and assessment of major developments.

PREPARING AND REVIEWING CLAUSE 4.6 VARIATION REQUESTS

The NSW planning system currently has two mechanisms that provide the ability to vary development standards contained within environmental planning instruments:

• Clause 4.6 of the Standard Instrument Local Environment Plan (SILEP); and
• State Environment Planning Policy No 1 – Development Standards (SEPP1).

Both clause 4.6 and SEPP 1 provide flexibility in the application of planning controls by allowing councils and other consent authorities to approve a development application that does not comply with a development standard when certain tests are met.

This workshop will explain how to best utilise a clause 4.6 variation request to successfully achieve a variation of the applicable development standards.

DESIGNED FOR:
Town Planners, Urban Designers, Planning Lawyers, Developers and Strategic Planners.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• Assist consultant planners in drafting clause 4.6 variation requests so that the consent authority can be satisfied that the contravention of the development standard is justified; and
• Assist council planners in reviewing and assessing the adequacy of clause 4.6 variation requests.

DATE
Thursday, 28 May 2020

TIME
8:30am-12:30pm

VENUE
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

PRICE
PIA members $225
Non-members $310

PLANNING LAW

COURSE PRESENTER:
Paul Mitchell OAM, MPIA (Fellow), Director - Major Projects, City Plan Strategy & Development P/L
Paul is an Australian and international leader in planning service delivery. He has expertise in strategic planning, environmental assessment and expert testimony.

He is a state appointed member of the Sydney District Planning Panels and a former National board member of the Planning Institute of Australia.

In 2004 Paul was admitted to the Order of Australia for services to the community, environmental resources management and planning.

Additional presenters to be announced soon

DATE
Tuesday, 21 July 2020

TIME
8:30am-12:30pm

VENUE
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

PRICE
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Non-members $310
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Joshua Bignell, Partner, RMB Lawyers
Joshua has extensive experience in Real Estate and Property Law. Joshua worked for another local law firm before joining RMB at the beginning of 2009. He has widespread experience in Real Estate and Property, Business, Banking and Leasing Law, Inheritance Planning Law; and Planning and Development Law.

Olivia Yeatman, Associate and Local Government Coordinator, RMB Lawyers
Olivia works across local government, environmental, town planning and property development issues for councils and private clients. Her professional interests include working with councils and private clients on such matters as development appeals, judicial review and environmental prosecutions.

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SKILLS YOU NEED TO KNOW TO BE A GOOD EXPERT WITNESS
Do you want to be a confident expert witness? This half-day workshop will examine recent case law as well as draw on real life practical experiences.

DESIGNED FOR:
Town Planners, Urban Designers and Strategic Planners.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• To understand the legislative requirements for an expert witness;
• To be aware of the requirements that exist for expert witnesses in matters before the Land and Environment Court of NSW;
• To draw on the real-life practical experiences of adjudicators and experienced practitioners in the Land and Environment Court of NSW; and
• To be aware of recent case law relating to expert witnesses.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Graham Brown MPIA (Fellow), Past Commissioner of Land and Environment Court
Graham has recently retired as a Commissioner and Senior Commissioner of the Land and Environment Court of NSW after 21 years. During this time Graham heard over 2000 appeals on a wide range of planning and related issues.

Prior to that, Graham was the Director of Planning Services at Baulkham Hills Shire Council (now The Hills Shire Council) where he oversaw the urbanisation of large parts of the local government area, including the Rouse Hill Release Area as well as subdivision, development control, building, health and waste and recycling services.

Graham currently sits as Chair or Expert Member on five Local Planning Panels. He is a Fellow of the Planning Institute of Australia and a Nationally Accredited Mediator.

Additional presenters to be announced soon
COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT

THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CHALLENGE: HOW TO INVOLVE OTHERS IN YOUR DECISIONS

The International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) “Public Participation for Decision Makers” course helps participants understand what is required to get the best value from an engagement process. The session offers a perspective on how public participation can be integrated into the overall project plan. It examines the ‘why’, the costs and benefits of public participation, explores involvement of the public in decisions, and emphasises the importance of both the decision being made and the promise to the public about their involvement in that process.

It also explores the various aspects of good engagement planning (stakeholder and issue identification, understanding core values and policy/project processes) in the context of a decision-making process – working through the opportunities for influence at different stages. The session also provides an overview of the public participation practitioner’s role. The use of case studies are drawn from the Trainers’ experience and those relevant to participants to provide maximum learning and relevance.

DESIGNED FOR:
Anyone involved in any aspect of community engagement, and anyone involved with decision-making in some way. It is ideal for all levels of government, private practice and non-government organisations. Elected members also benefit from the training.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• How public participation ties into their decision-making process;
• When and why to have the public participate in their decisions (and when not to);
• The participants unique role and commitment; and
• Key concepts that must be considered to be effective when involving others.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Margaret Harvie, Director, Plancom
Margaret is passionate about engaging communities to ensure that they have a say over decisions that affect them. Accredited since 2008 she is one of a handful of trainers delivering the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) course that is delivered globally. Margaret is committed to working with management and project managers to give them the plans, tools and capacity to effectively engage with their stakeholders and brings to the training a wealth of experience and stories from her work in planning and infrastructure for government and the private sector.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

CONNECTING WITH YOUR LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL – A GUIDE FOR PLANNERS

A research project undertaken at the University of Sydney in 2018 has highlighted the uneven performance of the NSW Planning system in connecting with Local Aboriginal Land Councils (LALCs). Given that LALCs are major land owners in many NSW Local Government Areas, it would be a positive development for the planning system and for Land Councils if planning practice in this area was improved.

In this half-day course, convened by Professor Peter Phibbs from the University of Sydney, and Elle Davidson from GHD Planning, you will hear from staff from LALCs and key Local Government planners about their experiences.

DESIGNED FOR:
Town Planners, Urban Planners, Councilors and Local Government Professionals.

LEARNING OUTCOME:
The key outcome of the course will be to give planners better tools for incorporating the aspirations of LALCs in their future strategic plans.

COURSE PRESENTERS:
Elle Davidson, Indigenous Engagement Leader, GHD
Elle is one of NSW’s only Aboriginal qualified Town Planners. Having worked with Local Government for seven years in Development Assessment and Urban Design, Elle transitioned into consultancy in 2015. Beginning with the Stakeholder Engagement and Social Sustainability team she worked across multidisciplinary projects.

Date
Wednesday 14 October 2020

Time
8:30am-5:00pm

Venue
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Price
PIA members $330
Non-members $450

Points
7 PD POINTS

METRO EVENT

REGIONAL EVENT

3.5 PD POINTS

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Date
May 2020 (Regional Event - Tweed)
October 2020

Time
8:30am-12:30pm

Venue
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000
Regional Venue TBC

Price
PIA members $225
Non-members $310

Points
3.5 PD POINTS

METRO EVENT

REGIONAL EVENT
DIGITAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

There are hundreds of technologies now available for community and stakeholder engagement — each with their own set of features, processes and technical specifications. As a planner and engagement professional, it can hard to know what engagement technology to select for your project and what to expect when using them.

This interactive half-day workshop will help you to understand and evaluate the tools available. You’ll learn how technology can be used to support engagement online and offline, and to manage the data and relationships engagements generate. You will see case studies and discuss whether the technologies being used are making these consultations and engagements more effective, innovative and smarter.

Finally, you’ll apply what you’ve been learning to your projects so that you have a list of priorities, requirements, tools to investigate and actions to take when you get back to the office.

DESIGNED FOR:
Urban and Regional Planners, Transport Planners, Developers, Architects, Local Government Officers, Elected Members, Urban Designers and anyone involved in urban/town planning and development projects.

It is assumed participants will have some prior knowledge on community and stakeholder engagement before attending this workshop.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• An understanding of the spectrum of tools available for engagement;
• A taste of some innovative methods being used and trialed for engagement in planning;
• The skills to advocate for the use of technology across your organisation — including with executives, IT, Information and Privacy Managers and communication teams, and
• The confidence to evaluate and select the right tools for your engagements.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Amelia Loye, Managing Director, engage2
Amelia is a social scientist specialising in community and stakeholder engagement. Over the last 17 years’, she has worked with governments across Australia and New Zealand, and British Columbia in Canada, helping governments to consult community, work with stakeholders and consider social issues and impacts in the design and delivery of resource management policy, urban and regional planning.

Dates
Thursday, 2 April 2020
Wednesday, 21 October 2020

Time
8:30am-12:30pm

Venue
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Price
PIA members $225
Non-members $310

HOW TO STRUCTURE AND WRITE A PLANNING REPORT

Many of us leave the written outputs for a large project until the end, or we’re required to produce a written report in little time. Strategically planning ahead is inherent in what we do — despite this, we tend not to apply these skills to our report writing.

Most planning reports are publicly released, and we should develop and write them so that people understand what they’re reading and have a sense of transparency and involvement. Taking the time upfront to think about your report — its purpose, audience and objectives — is a wise investment that will save time as the report is developed. This will open up more time to focus on the written word itself, allowing you to avoid overused planning terms, jargon or motherhood statements.

This course helps you to understand what needs to be agreed before the writing begins, and how you can develop clear and consistent content that makes sense to those outside the planning profession.

Requirement: You must provide a piece of your own work — preferably one that has been troublesome — two weeks before the course.

DESIGNED FOR:
Anyone writing documents designed to be read by, and understood by, a public audience.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
While you won’t leave this course with a new, innate ability to write perfectly, you will have the pointers that will help you to form better report-writing habits. This includes:
• What you need to think about before you start; audience, messages and purpose;
• How to make a report easier to read; choosing an appropriate style, voice and tone;
• How to develop a clear narrative and structure for your report;
• How to avoid the pitfalls of writing a planning report, including the overused terms that only planners understand; and
• How to incorporate the tenets of plain English writing — clarity, consistency and making your words count — into your day-to-day work.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Tara Madden, Director, Topdeck Pty Ltd
Tara is an expert writer and editor with nearly 20 years’ experience communicating public policy issues in Australia and the UK. She established Topdeck Communications, and now works with State agencies, local councils and consultancies to translate technical documents, planning reports or strategic plans into engaging, clear content.

Dates
Wednesday, 4 March 2020
Monday, 16 November 2020

Time
8:30am-12:30pm

Venue
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Price
PIA members $225
Non-members $310
STRATEGIC PLANNING

PLANNING FOR BUSHFIRE RESILIENCE

This workshop is designed to provide planning professionals with an understanding of the destructive nature of bushfires, the impact to property and how the legislative planning framework in New South Wales helps to mitigate against future disasters.

We will explore strategic bush fire planning for resilient communities as a concept. We will consider the process of carrying out a bushfire risk assessment on a landscape scale using practical examples and look at ways to design development layouts with bushfire mitigation in mind.

Planning for Bushfire Protection (PBP) provides the legislative basis for the application of bushfire protection measures through the planning process in NSW. We will also delve into the detail of PBP and its relationship with the National Construction Code/Australian Standard 3959: Construction of buildings in bushfire-prone areas. Practical case studies will be provided to work through the application of PBP for subdivision, special fire protection purpose (SFPP) and infill development applications.

DESIGNED FOR:
Planning and building professionals looking for an understanding of the application of Planning for Bushfire Protection in the planning proposal and/or planning application process.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• An understanding of strategic bushfire planning;
• A knowledge of Planning for Bushfire Protection and its legislative framework; and
• An understanding of the practical application of PBP.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Catherine Ryland MPlA, Associate, Meridian Urban
Catherine is an urban planner and bushfire resilience expert with almost 20 years’ of diversified industry experience in the UK and Australia. As the primary author of Planning for Bushfire Protection 2019 and its associated legislation, Catherine has extensive experience in planning policy, strategy and development assessment, particularly with regard to matters of bushfire risk.

Based in Sydney, Catherine is a member of the PIA NSW Division Committee and a leader in the preparation of policy and strategy relating to natural hazards.

Date
Tuesday, 11 August 2020

Time
8:30am-5:00pm

Venue
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Price
PIA members $330
Non-members $450

PUBLIC REALM PLANNING

Join us for a half-day workshop that introduces the essentials of current best practice in public realm planning. This workshop explores the values, policy and strategy that underpin best practice and the placed based metrics that drive practical and enduring outcomes on the ground.

DESIGNED FOR:
Town Planners, Urban Designers and Strategic Planners.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• How strategic planning helps shape responsive statutory planning;
• Outline of best practice metrics for both quality and quantity of open space;
• The role and application of The Sydney Green Grid in connecting people and place;
• Changing trends in recreation and particularly sport;
• The economic value of the public realm;
• The principles underpinning Value Capture and VPAs; and
• The role of the community in successful long term outcomes.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Crosbie Lorimer, Allied Professional (NSW), Managing Director, CLOUSTON Associates
Crosbie has more than 37 years in practice, the first 7 of which have been with CLOUSTON in the UK and 30 in Australia. Crosbie brings extensive experience to his role at CLOUSTON. He has led multidisciplinary teams on projects for some of Australia’s key public domain landscapes including Hyde Park and Centennial Parklands, NSW, and Commonwealth Park, ACT, as well as preparing strategic open space and recreation plans and management guidelines for state and local governments across Australia for more than 20 years.

A regular representative for AILA on State Government committees, juries and panels, Crosbie is often called upon as an Expert Witness in the NSW Land and Environment Court particularly for Environmental Impact Assessment and has been instrumental in the planning of key initiatives such as the P2P Walkability model.

Date
Thursday, 8 October 2020

Time
8:30am-12:30pm

Venue
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Price
PIA members $225 Non-members $310
PLACEMAKING FOR PLANNERS

This interactive workshop will introduce the fundamentals of placemaking as the process of creating self-activating and successful town centres and neighbourhoods that make people’s lives better. The workshop also introduces the concept, tools and value of place measurement for evidence-based planning and return on investment.

DESIGNED FOR:

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• Learn about the theory and practice of placemaking;
• Learn through case studies that have used a placemaking approach in three areas of planning: LEP Updates, DCP Amendments and Town Centre Revitalisation;
• Understanding of place measurement, common terms, definitions and tools; and
• Learn about Place Score, a groundbreaking place experience (PX) diagnostic, engagement, benchmarking, tracking and marketing platform that is being use to guide strategic planning and main street revitalisation.

Additional presenters to be announced soon

Kylie Legge MPIA. Founding Director, Place Score

Kylie is a leading voice in the evolving profession of placemaking. She is a founding Director of Place Partners, a multidisciplinary placemaking consultancy based in Sydney Australia as well as Place Score - the world’s first place experience measurement tool.

Her interests lie in the relationship between people and their urban environments and how we can work better collaboratively to create the kinds of places people want to spend time in.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Kylie Legge MPIA

Dates
Friday, 6 March 2020
Thursday, 12 November 2020

Time
8:30am-12:30pm

Venue
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Price
PIA Members $225
Non-members $310

3.5 PD POINTS

ECONOMICS FOR PLANNERS

This course provides participants with an appreciation of urban and regional economics from both a project viability perspective and in broader terms regarding the costs and benefits of investments and the implications of key economic parameters. The course explores the ways in which economics underpins good planning and development for our cities, towns, regions and rural areas. It also explores ways in which the preparation of market assessments, economic impact assessments and net community benefit assessments. The course is presented in non-technical language and contains numerous real-life project examples in retailing, activity centre planning, tourism, residential and industrial development, and growth area planning. Examples are drawn from local, national and international projects in the broad field of urban and regional economics, planning and development.

DESIGNED FOR:
All planners and other professionals involved in preparing, for example, strategic plans, structure plans and growth area plans, and those involved in development applications for major retail, commercial, industrial, infrastructure and residential projects.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• Understanding key fundamentals associated with economics in the planning and development of our urban and regional localities,
• Familiarity with the techniques used by economists in assessing development applications and structure planning,
• Understanding the need for economic research in planning and development projects and recognising when to obtain specialist assistance in economics, including expert witness for cases before the Land and Environment Court and Planning Panels; and
• Learning the necessary skills to enable the preparation of economics-related consultancy briefs.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Presenter from Ethos Urban

Dates
Wednesday, 29 April 2020

Time
8:30am-5:00pm

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Sydney NSW 2000

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7 PD POINTS
INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING

Development in Sydney is running ahead of the local infrastructure that is required to support it. Unfortunately, infrastructure is often an afterthought in the land use planning framework, and roads, cycleways, parks, sports facilities and community buildings are not keeping up with demands. Communities expect new infrastructure to accompany growth, not follow years after. Developers, legitimately, expect that the money they pay the council will not be hoarded but be spent on new infrastructure in a timely manner.

Planners have traditionally focused on the plan preparation part of infrastructure contributions plans, but delivery of the plans is often left to others. Additionally, there is little formal guidance on how to effectively deliver contributions plans.

This course focuses on how planners and other council professionals can better plan for infrastructure up front, and how to implement their contributions plans more effectively so that growth infrastructure is provided for communities when it is needed.

DESIGNED FOR:
Strategic and Statutory Planners, Finance Professionals, Engineers and Project Managers.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
- Ensuring certifiers are doing their job in terms of imposing and checking payment of contributions;
- Maximising developer involvement in delivery of infrastructure and other strategies that minimise financial risk for the council;
- Resourcing the implementation phase of the contributions system; and
- Reporting plan progress to the community in a way that clearly shows what the plan has achieved and what remains to be done.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Michael Park, Director, Mi Place Planning
Michael is passionate about better planning for infrastructure, and an advocate for the integration of infrastructure planning into the strategic land use planning process.

Having worked in the private sector consulting to the development industry and State and Territory Governments, as well as 12 years in Local Government, Michael has extensive experience in planning, funding, and delivering infrastructure to support our growing communities.

SUSTAINING HERITAGE THROUGH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

This course focuses on the role that planning can play in achieving sustainable heritage outcomes. Find out about current issues and attitudes to heritage, including best practice standards and guidelines. Participants will learn about how heritage can be successfully factored into urban planning by councils and government as part of sustainable environmental planning.

Principles for the appropriate planning, development and management of heritage places will be outlined through interactive case studies and examples that demonstrate success in the integration of new development, including alterations and additions, adaptive reuse and infill within historic settings.

DESIGNED FOR:
Planners, Architects and Urban Designers interested in urban planning in NSW, and anyone involved in planning adaptation of heritage places.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
- An improved understanding of the role of heritage in the NSW planning systems including the relevant legislation and guiding principles;
- An improved understanding of the identification and assessment of heritage values;
- An understanding of the role of heritage in guiding better design outcomes for the built environment;
- An ability to apply your knowledge of heritage values in strategic planning and urban design; and
- An understanding of how to assess and mitigate potential impacts on significant heritage values in the assessment of development applications.

COURSE PRESENTERS:
Sharon Veale MPIA, Chief Executive Officer, GML Heritage
Sharon is a public historian and urban planner with over 20 years’ experience in Aboriginal and historic cultural heritage planning, assessment, management and conservation for both government and private sector clients.

Lisa Trueman, Associate, GML Heritage
Lisa Trueman GML Associate, is an architect and heritage consultant with over 25 years’ experience in built heritage conservation, including 15 years as a heritage adviser in local government. Lisa specialises in providing design advice and statutory guidance to government agencies, architects and developers.

David Logan RPIA, Partner and Director, GML Heritage
David has qualifications in architecture, heritage conservation and town planning and more than 30 years’ experience in heritage management in both the public and private sectors. David specialises in heritage related masterplanning and design projects, CBD development and the resolution of urban planning issues.
NEIGHBOURHOOD CHARACTER AND CHARACTER STATEMENTS

Assessing context and local character is arguably one of the most contentious aspects of planning. This course clarifies the concept of 'local character' and 'desired future character' and provides a simple framework by which planners can begin to understand these issues.

The course uses photographs to show different elements of local character and neighbourhood character typologies and encourages debate on whether these developments 'respect' context and neighbourhood character. The course will also provide a summary of policy and recent guidance related to local character and explore critical Land & Environment Court decisions on the topic.

DESIGNED FOR:
Planners who are responsible for writing local character statements, or assessing applications who need to clarify/understand the concept of 'context and local character'. Architects and building designers, developers, solicitors and anyone else engaged in the control, assessment or design of residential developments.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• Appreciate what context and local character means in a planning context;
• Develop an understanding of the basic elements of local character and neighbourhood character typologies;
• Discuss the role of context and neighbourhood character studies in local policies and in the assessment process; and
• Learn about how to ‘respect’ neighbourhood character and how to ‘respond’ to a specific context.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Diana Griffiths RPIA (Fellow), Founding Director, Studio GL
Diana is a skilled urban designer with 25 years’ professional experience in urban planning, urban design and architecture. She is a Fellow of the Planning Institute of Australia and has lectured in urban design and planning at the University of New South Wales and the University of Sydney. She is a passionate advocate for ways to plan and design more successful places.

Dates
Tuesday, 5 May 2020 - Hunter Region
Wednesday, 12 August 2020

Time
8:30am-12:30pm

Venue
Newcastle Museum
6 Workshop Way
Newcastle NSW 2300
Saxons Sydney
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Price
PIA members $225
Non-members $310

DESIGN

URBAN DESIGN

This half-day workshop will provide a deeper understanding of what urban designers do. It will provide you with an urban design vocabulary and present urban design as an inclusive and collaborative process while providing practical hands-on exercises and group work.

This workshop will incorporate a practical workshop on the application of site analysis and design response principles for an infill development. This group work is then analysed and discussed before a local architect who will provide advice on how the site can work.

To assist the creative process, various tools are available including urban design frameworks and urban context reports. There are also good design principles with a long history of application in successful urban form.

DESIGNED FOR:
Anyone looking for an advanced understanding of urban systems and the infrastructure required to support a more compact city, and those dealing with major projects, higher density housing and mixed-use development.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• Recognise appropriate and responsible urban design outcomes and contribute to design discussions based on a rational and replicable design methodology;
• Understand the critical role of context and precedent in urban design;
• Understand the fundamental language and elements of urban design practice, formal design principles, and the notion of the guiding theme;
• Contribute to discussion on the grouping and organisation of building mass, streetscapes and urban space;
• Participate in urban design as an inclusive and collaborative process; and
• Develop a passion for the role that we all play in creating the future of our cities.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Stephen Moore, Principal, RobertsDay
Stephen is identified by The Fifth Estate as one of Sydney’s most influential designers and planners. Stephen is a leader on high profile projects, contributor of the City’s Cultural Policy and Resilient Sydney and part of the Rockefeller Foundation’s 100 Resilient Cities Initiative.

Dates
Thursday, 11 June 2020 - Hunter Region
Wednesday, 16 September 2020

Time
8:30am-12:30pm

Venue
Newcastle City Hall - Mulubinba Room
290 King Street
Newcastle NSW 2300
Saxons Sydney
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Price
PIA members $225
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DESIGN THINKING DRAWING - BUILT FORM AND CHARACTER

This full day training program is focused on the skills required to be an effective professional in built form and character for planning schemes and design guidelines and codes. The training involves analysis of building typology and architectural character principles for a range of urban buildings and places. Freehand drawing is a key means to do this work and there will be specific instruction and demonstration of the drawings and how they are done.

The program covers the following topics:
• Analysis of building typology and architectural character principles for a range of urban buildings and places;
• Drawing types that can be used to describe these qualities, including analysis diagrams, cross sections and perspectives; and
• Specific instruction and demonstration of the freehand drawings. Templates will be provided to assist with these tasks.

DESIGNED FOR:
Planners and others involved in preparing planning schemes and design guidelines and codes to better understand the elements of character and how to describe them with drawings and words.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
At the end of this course attendees will be able to:
• Understand the principles and elements that define urban and building character;
• Understand the typology of urban buildings to achieve better urban design outcomes; and
• Obtain more confidence in freehand drawing to better communicate with colleagues and others to create planning schemes and guidelines.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Peter Richards MPIA, Director, Deicke Richards
Peter Richards is an architect and urban designer and a founding director of Deicke Richards, a South-East Queensland based design practice. Peter has been an Adjunct Professor at the QUT for 15 years teaching in the master of architecture program and is a full member of PIA. He is well known as a designer, thinker and drawer and is a leader in Australia in enquiry-by-design collaborative design processes. He has recently published his book Design Thinking Drawing which a both a celebration of, and advocacy for the use of freehand drawing in the design process.

Date
Monday, 31 August 2020
Time
8:30am-5:00pm
Venue
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Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
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GIS FOR PLANNERS

Planners today are not just technical specialists – they are also project managers, communicators and negotiators. Planning is about designing places to be environmentally sustainable, socially inclusive, economically resilient and adaptable to change. Local communities have strong opinions on how they want their communities to grow, and government authorities such as NSW DPIE and Councils regulate planning through legislation and planning controls.

This course provides an overview of the role of GIS and mapping as a tool to assist planners to meet these challenges. GIS is an effective system for storing and displaying a range of planning data from a wide range of sources and formats, for querying multiple data layers, and is also used as a reporting and communication tool.

The course will begin with an introduction to the role of GIS in planning and some worked examples of how GIS can be used in planning processes. It will also explore common sources of authoritative data and how to integrate those into GIS software, basic map-making skills, spatial data analysis techniques and how to share information in a GIS format with your project team and stakeholders.

DESIGNED FOR:
Planners interested in using GIS to store and analyse spatial data from multiple sources, how to interpret maps and data, and how to apply the results in reports and presentations.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• The ability to source data from a range of authoritative sources that can be used to make a map in GIS;
• Basic spatial analysis skills to interrogate spatial data in GIS for report preparation;
• The ability to make a map to include in a report or presentation; and
• An understanding of how maps can be shared with project teams and stakeholders for effective consultation.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Dr Emma McIntyre, Director, EMAP Consulting
Emma is a skilled GIS professional with 25 years’ of experience in using GIS in urban and environmental planning and environmental impact assessment projects. She has recently worked with City Plan on a number of Local Housing Strategies, as well as the Department of Planning Industry and Environment (DPIE) on precinct planning projects in Western Sydney.

Dates
Thursday, 20 February 2020
Tuesday, 27 October 2020
Time
8:30am-12:30pm
Venue
Saxons Training Facilities
Level 10, 10 Barrack Street
Sydney NSW 2000
Price
PIA members $225
Non-members $310
ACTIVE FRONTAGES 101

Active frontages play a major role in the creation of safe and desirable places. Healthy Active by Design defines an active frontage as ‘a building frontage which contains uses that promote activity on the street’. This workshop will provide a detailed study of the theory behind active frontages and the role they play in successful places. It will outline the value of active frontages in mixed used centres and ways to activate commercial and residential frontages. It uses photographs to show different types of ‘active frontage’, and encourage debate on the elements contributing to or discouraging ‘activity on the street’.

The workshop will be an interactive and thought-provoking class discussion using case studies to look at ways that active and activated frontages are defined in planning policy and how Councils and developers can use design and planning controls to encourage street level activity.

DESIGNED FOR:
• Planners responsible for writing development controls or assessing applications and needing to clarify/understand the concept of ‘active frontages’;
• Those engaged in the control, assessment or design of residential or town centre development and interested in creating safe, attractive and interesting places; and
• Architects, building designers and developers.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• Learn how to more effectively ‘read’ the street and recognise the value of active frontages;
• Build on your understanding of the academic context behind active frontages and how active frontages are currently reflected in the planning context;
• Understand the basic elements influencing active frontages and the dimensions (width, setback, height) and facade design ‘tricks’ needed to support active streets; and
• Become more confident about what to look for when assessing a design and gain an increased knowledge of planning controls that encourage safer and more effective places.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Diana Griffiths RPIA (Fellow), Founding Director, Studio GL
Diana is a skilled urban designer with 25 years’ professional experience in urban planning, urban design and architecture. She is a Fellow of the Planning Institute of Australia and has lectured in urban design and planning at the University of New South Wales and the University of Sydney. She is a passionate advocate for ways to plan and design more successful places.

HEALTHY ACTIVE BY DESIGN IN PRACTICE

Join the Heart Foundation for a full-day workshop on the implementation of places that encourage health and wellbeing, using Healthy Active by Design. Healthy Active by Design is a practical guide to incorporating health and physical activity into the design of our built environment. This useful tool offers the best-available evidence, advice and examples to assist with the development of healthy environments.

We know it’s easier to be active if your local area:
• Is close to shops, schools and services so you can walk or cycle, instead of driving.
• If there is supportive infrastructure such as footpaths, safe road crossings and cycle paths.
• Offers quality spaces that improve wellbeing – and are worth visiting – such as green areas, plazas, open space and recreational facilities.

You will be joined by experts in strategic and statutory planning as we discuss how to apply the Healthy Active by Design principles into everyday planning.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• An understanding of the role that the built environment can have on health in all age groups; and
• An understanding of how to apply Healthy Active by Design principles into everyday work.

COURSE PRESENTER:

Laura Oakley PIA (Assoc.), Senior Coordinator - Heart Health (Active Living), Heart Foundation
With a background in clinical nursing and urban planning, Laura is interested in the way that people’s everyday choices can be shaped by the built environment, and the lasting impact that this can have on health and wellbeing. Laura is the 2019 NSW Young Planner of the Year.

Additional presenters to be announced soon
ASSESSING AND IMPROVING WALKABILITY

A neighbourhood on the move is one that has a network of integrated walking, cycling and public transport routes. Movement networks within a neighbourhood, and connecting to other neighbourhoods, need to be accessible, safe and cohesive.

Join the Heart Foundation on a half-day, dedicated workshop on assessing and improving walkability. Participants will use the Heart Foundation’s Neighbourhood Walkability Checklist on a walk around Millers Point. Following this, you will hear from walkability experts from a range of fields before designing your own walkability checklist.

DESIGNED FOR:
Town Planners, Strategic Planners, Urban Designers, Social and Community Planners, Health Promotion Professionals, Transport Planners, Consultants, Developers and Development Managers.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• An understanding of the role that the built environment can have on health in all age groups;
• Ability to assess walkability;
• Creation of a walkability checklist; and
• Understanding of built environment improvements (both small and large scale) to enhance walkability.

COURSE PRESENTER:
Laura Oakley PIA (Assoc.), Senior Coordinator – Heart Health (Active Living), Heart Foundation
Laura is a Senior Coordinator of Heart Health (Active Living) at the Heart Foundation. With a background in clinical nursing and urban planning, she is interested in the way that people’s everyday choices can be shaped by the built environment, and the lasting impact that this can have on health and wellbeing. Laura is the 2019 NSW Young Planner of the Year.

SMART CITY STRATEGY DELIVERY AND SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION

This course is designed to help attendees develop town planning, urban design and infrastructure solutions through smart city thinking and application.

Throughout the course, content from World Leading Smart City Providers will be used to educate participants and ‘tease out’ draft solutions to start the conversation and educate, leading to smart city success.

DESIGNED FOR:
Strategic planners, urban designers, economic development officers, city shapers, smart city makers and implementers and smart cities and regions leaders.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:
• Opportunity to learn and explore a full range of smart city planning and urban design examples and case studies and solutions;
• Through a series of interactive roundtables discussions, participants will be able to identify and draft key smart city projects and solutions.

COURSE PRESENTER:
David Klingberg, Director and Principal, Smart Planning and Design
David is a Planner and Urban Designer with over 26 years’ experience in the planning and design industry.

David has worked on a large number of significant strategic planning projects for state and local government as well as the private sector. He has project managed large teams to deliver high quality planning and design outcomes that inform the longer term planning of regions.
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