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PLANNING'S ROLE IN IMPROVING LIFE FOR AN AGEING POPULATION

Thursday 19 September 2013, 9.30am to 4.30pm

**The Pavilion Room, Hughes Hall College,
Wollaston Road, Cambridge, CB1 2EW**

This event, being held with the assistance of the Retirement Housing Group, should provide some steers on how planners and others can best respond to the challenge of planning for an ageing population.

The recent RTPI East of England conference on "Town Planning & Population", held in association with the British Society for Population Studies, was quite an eye opener as to just how much the national age profile has changed: the graphic illustration was no longer the neat triangle but more of a chubby barrel. Perhaps those of us with elderly parents shouldn't be quite so surprised, but the illustration was an emphatic reminder of just how great the change is. The implications of this change for planners and the different service providers are considerable.

The aim of this conference is to take a broad view of the needs of people as they age. There can be the temptation to think primarily about housing needs but there are many other dimensions to life as an ageing person, so it will include speakers on mobility and transport as well as health and social care.

We were keen to seek views of experts from both inside and outside the East of England. To this end, John Lett from the GLA will give us the London perspective and it is anticipated that we can all benefit from knowledge of the work that has been done there and the resources they have been able to apply to this issue. Professor Roger Mackett from UCL was recommended by Age Concern and has done extensive research around issues related to mobility. Kathleen Dunmore of Three Dragons for Retirement Housing Group has wide experience of addressing older peoples' housing needs across the country and Celia Atherton of the Dartington Hall Trust will speak about a highly innovative project that takes a holistic view of older peoples' need for housing and integrating them into the wider community.

Of equal importance will be the speakers from the East of England providing local expertise and knowledge, and we are looking to them to put some flesh on the local context.

The venue for this event is Hughes Hall College, which is within walking distance of Cambridge railway station and close to Cambridge Park & Ride bus stops.

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PROGRAMME

- 9.30am** *Registration, Tea and Coffee*
- 9.50am** *Welcome and Introduction*
Paul Maison, Senior Vice Chair, RTPI East of England and
Eiluned Morgan, RTPI East of England
- 10.00am** *Overview: Statistical and Broad Scope of Issues*
Richard Potter, Analytics Cambridge
- 10.25am** *Some Actions That Need Taking*
Professor Peter Landshoff, Cambridge - 2030 Cambridge Sub-Region
- 10.50am** *A Capital Approach*
John Lett, Strategic Planning Manager, GLA
- 11.15am** *Discussion*
- 11.30am** *Refreshment Break*
- 11.45am** *Health and Social Care Key Issues*
Richard Blyth (or colleague), Policy & Practice, RTPI
- 12.10am** *Provision of Health and Care Services in Hertfordshire*
Harvey Ward and another speaker (tbc)
- 12.40pm** *Accessibility Needs and Wants*
Professor Roger Mackett, Centre for Transport Studies, UCL
- 1.05pm** *Discussion and Q&A Session*
- 1.15pm** *Lunch (included in fee)*
- 2.00pm** *Housing Estimating, Housing Need and Forms of Provision*
Kathleen Dunmore, Three Dragons for Retirement Housing Group
- 2.25pm** *Extra Care Housing Provision*
Mike Derbyshire, Savills for Hanover Housing Association
- 2.50pm** *Building Positive Futures: The Thurrock Experience*
Les Billingham, Head of Adult Service, Thurrock Borough Council
- 3.15pm** *Innovation: Retirement Communities: Abundant Life*
Celia Atherton, Director of Social Justice, The Dartington Hall Trust
- 3.40pm** *Discussion*
- 4.15pm** *Close of Conference*

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