

apse annual seminar 2022

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Local Government: The Green Machine at the Frontline



14 – 15 September 2022

Swansea Arena, Oystermouth Rd, Maritime Quarter, Bae Copr Bay,
Swansea SA1 3BX



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Programme

Tuesday 13 September

Venue: The Georgian Manor House, Swansea

7.30pm Welcome evening and Maritime History Event – Celebrating the Maritime History of Swansea

Wednesday 14 September

9:00 Coffee, Registration and Exhibition Viewing, Swansea Arena

10:00 **Plenary Session 1**

Delivering for People and Places

Opening Welcome: Cllr Andrea Lewis, APSE National Chair

The Future Role of Local Government in Northern Ireland

- Meaningful devolution of powers
- Our policy challenges

Alison Allen, Chief Executive, NILGA

Working with Councils in Wales

- Supporting a well-being and prevention approach within communities
- Creating the homes and communities for Welsh citizens

Chris Llewellyn, Chief Executive, WLGA

Scotland's Environment and Economy

- A just transition into a net zero economy
- Supporting fair growth
- Supporting our communities

Cllr Gail Macgregor, COSLA Environment and Economy Spokesperson

Where to now for English Local Government?

- Finance and resource issues
- Levelling Up: What do we need to deliver?

Cllr Liz Green, Vice Chair, Improvement and Innovation, LGA

Question time: An opportunity for a panel and audience Q&A

11:15 Coffee Break and Exhibition Viewing

11:45 **Plenary Session 2**

Future Communities

Chair: Ellen Cavanagh, APSE Northern Ireland Secretary

Swansea: A place with the future in mind

- Delivering on our programme of investment
- Developing the Swansea Standard for low carbon homes
- Supporting a skilled, greener future for Swansea

Cllr Andrea Lewis, Cabinet Member for Service Transformation and Deputy Leader, and Martin Nicholls, Interim Chief Executive, City and County of Swansea

Platform for the future? Findings of the Local Government Commission

- A constitutional settlement for local Government
- Lessons drawn from the European Charter of Local Self Government
- An end to see-saw funding; the long-term goals of stable and needs-based finance

Paul O'Brien, Chair of the APSE Local Government Commission 2030 and APSE Chief Executive

Question time: An opportunity for a panel and audience Q&A

13:00 Lunch and exhibition viewing

14:00 **Plenary Session 3**

Transforming and Transformative Neighbourhood Services

Chair Chris Cutforth, APSE National Secretary

Reimagining neighbourhoods: working with the city in a locality approach

- Place based working
- Using restorative practice principles
- Working with communities to build resilience

Sam Dennis, Director of Public Protection and Streetpride at Derby City Council

Transformative Neighbourhoods

- Getting it right at a neighbourhood level
- Enhancing services by alignment to residents needs
- The value of performance management in measuring successes at a neighbourhood level

Paul Bellotti, Executive Director of Communities and Environment, East Riding of Yorkshire Council

City and Coastal Communities

- Bringing climate ambitions to a neighbourhood services level
- Delivering a 'Passivhaus' leisure offering
- What will our climate ambitions mean for other city and coastal communities?

Mark Davies, Chief Executive, Lancaster City Council

15:15 Coffee Break

15:45 Strategic Forums: – Leadership in Frontline Services

Forum 1: Waste, Resources, Parks and Streetscene - *Kindly sponsored by Kingdom Local Authority Support*

Forum 2: Housing, Civic Assets and Energy - *Kindly sponsored by Lendology*

Forum 3: Highways, Street Lighting and Active Travel Hub - *Kindly sponsored by Multevo*

Forum 4: Carbon Literacy for Councillors - *A bitesize interactive session*

See page 4 for forum topics and speaker information

16:45 Close

APSE Annual General Meeting 2022

19:00 Registration

19:30 Annual General Meeting

20:30 Informal Evening Supper

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Thursday 15 September

10:00 Plenary 4

Climate change and the ecological emergency

Chair: Ald. Tommy Nicholl

Facilitator: Cllr Jaquie Burnett

Wakefields Decarbonisation Journey

- Assessing our carbon footprint
- Integrating climate change actions across frontline services
- Engaging communities and delivering on the ambitions of the political leadership

Glynn Humphries Corporate Director Communities, Environment and Climate Change, Wakefield Council

The role of Carbon Literacy

- The partnership established with APSE Training to deliver carbon literacy training to council members and officers
- Commitment for report authors to be carbon literate and members' fully informed decision making
- Progress against the council's Environment & Climate Emergency Action Plan and carbon budget and supporting 'Cool Wirral'

Mike Cockburn, Lead Commissioner for the Environment, Wirral Council

The evolution of Local Authority lighting

- Future focus for the next generation of lighting
- Developing and upskilling the profession
- Smart cities and role of the lighting and infrastructure

Fiona Horgan, President, Institution of Lighting Professionals

What's car parking got to do with climate change?

- The role of car parking sites and active travel
- Sustaining accessible pedestrian friendly high streets
- Persuading businesses of positive customer behaviours

Jonathan Allen, Head of Innovation and Technology, British Parking Association

11:15 Coffee and Exhibition Viewing

11:45 Plenary 5

Workforce Matters: The Resources of Tomorrow

Workforce Shortages and the Future of the Local Government Workforce

- The crisis in recruitment and retention
- What issues in which services?
- What needs to change to plan for the workforce of the future?

Mo Baines, APSE Deputy Chief Executive

Constructing a future for the UK building trade

- Building skills for net zero
- What the CITB research tells us
- Opportunities within construction for new skills and services

Matthew Kennedy, Senior Policy and Government Relations Advisor, CITB

Green skills for a green future

- The green skills taskforce
- BEIS taskforce ambitions and the role of frontline workers
- Developing the skills of the future

Mika Minio-Paluello, Climate and Industry Lead, TUC and BEIS Taskforce

13:00 Lunch and exhibition viewing

14:00 Plenary 6

Doing Local Government Business: The Big Challenge Panel

Chair: Cllr Andrea Lewis

Public Sector Tech Trends and the local government interface

- Advancing innovation and digital platforms in council services
- Avoiding a 'tech' fix. Ensuring digitalisation is people focussed
- What are the upcoming trends in digitisation and innovation?

Nadira Hussain, Chief Executive, SOCITM

Re-evaluating the role of councillors for 2030

- The changing officer and elected member roles
- Valuing the input of all councillors into local systems of governance
- Creating effective relationships and placing political ambitions into effective policy actions

Professor Steve Griggs, DeMontfort University

The next generation: Chief Executives' Initiative

- Developing the future officer leadership
- What are the unique skills for local authority chief executives?
- How can we support executive skills development and make a local government career an attractive and ambitious career option?

Steve Wilson, Director, Commercial Services Group

15:30

Motivational Speaker Session - Introducing... The Welsh Wonder Woman - Lowri Morgan

16:15 Close



APSE Annual Service Awards Charity Dinner 2022

19:00 – Pre-dinner reception

19:30 – Service awards dinner

Carriages at midnight

Seminar Information

Strategic forum topics and speakers

The following strategic forum sessions will take place on Wednesday 14 September, at 15:45.

Forum 1: Waste, Resources, Parks and Streetscene

Going Underground: The future of a climate friendly collection system for refuse and recycling

Andy Mudd, Head of APSE Solutions

Transitioning RCV Fleet to Cleaner Fuels: Results of the APSE Research

Abi Ademiluyi, APSE Principal Advisor

The Value of Parks and Public Realm: Resourcing Public Parks to Secure their Future

Forum 2: Housing, Civic Assets and Energy - Kindly sponsored by Lendology

Retrofitting Your Assets: How leisure centres and civic assets contribute to your carbon reduction targets

Phil Brennan, Head of APSE Energy

Squaring the Circle: Meeting Housing Need, Green Jobs and Growing your Economy

Vickie Hacking, APSE Principal Advisor

The Methil Care Village: Innovation, intergenerational and green. A new community facility for the future

Cllr Judy Hamilton, Fife Council

Forum 3: Highways, Street Lighting and Active Travel Hub

The role of effective travel management and street lighting in making neighbourhoods safer

Andy Dunbobbin, Police and Crime Commissioner for North Wales

Greening performance reporting: What should we measure and why?

Debbie Johns, Head of APSE Performance Networks

A changing future for traditional highways: The role of active travel in planning for the future

Rob Bailey, APSE Principal Advisor

Upper-Concourse Innovation Zone

'Carbon Literacy for Councillors: A bite-size interactive session to support strategic political leadership'

- Find out how strategic political leadership can support councils' in their drive for climate action
- Beyond the declarations can you make your council a carbon-literate council?
- And if so by when?

Fiona Sutton-Wilson, Head of APSE Training

About the venue

Swansea Arena sits in the heart of Copr Bay, and is easily accessible by road or public transport. Detailed travel information will be provided with your confirmation email.

Swansea Arena, Oystermouth Road, Bae Copr Bay, Swansea, SA1 3BX

Who should attend?

This highly interactive conference is the must attend event for all those looking to the future of local government, including post-COVID recovery for local economies, and those seeking to develop strategies to implement climate change objectives.

The event incorporates the APSE Annual General Meeting which we would encourage all member councils to attend, on Wednesday 14 September.

The Annual Seminar concludes with the APSE Service Awards Charity Dinner on Thursday evening, 15 September. Places at the annual dinner are limited so priority for dinner places will be given to those who are delegates to the Annual Seminar.

Booking information

You are asked to book online at [here](#) where you can select your choice of seminar package, including your choice of strategic forums and leadership networks. Please also tell us about any access or dietary requirements.

