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Agenda for today 13.00 – 15.00

- **Opening Remarks**: Councillor Sam Lux (Chair);
- **APSE Update** *Matt Ellis, APSE Principal Advisor;*
- Strategic Play: 17 years on from England's first National Play Strategy what next? Eugene Minogue, Executive Director, Play England
- Measuring the quality of your playgrounds: A simple and effective play inspection
 system with PIMS Ian Jones, Associate, APSE Performance Networks
- Glasgow's Play Area Renewal Programme: Inclusion, Engagement and Sustainable
 materials for life-cycle management Rachel Smith, Play Area Renewal Programme Lead,
 Glasgow City Council;



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APSE Update - Surveys

Tree Planting Survey



This short survey will help highlight successes, identify problems and look at the wider aspects of delivering large scale tree planting schemes. The results will be collated and included in a briefing note which will be distributed amongst APSE members.

Public Realm Survey



APSE are looking at the range of factors that local councils' parks, events and public space managers and councillors consider in developing lasting and sustainable public spaces and public realm, particularly those areas that may be used for occasional public events.



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APSE Update – Upcoming AGMs

- Cleaner Councils / Greener Future: A FREE event for APSE Northern Ireland member councils – Tuesday 10 June, 10.00-15.30, Galgorm, Ballymena;
- **Building a resilient workforce: FREE for APSE members!** *Tuesday 17 June, Swansea Guildhall;*
- APSE Southern Region Seminar 2025 Regeneration and Local Economies 18 June, Leonardo Royal Oxford Hotel, Oxford;
- **APSE Scotland Annual General Meeting 2025** *Tuesday 8 July, Glasgow Hilton Hotel;*
- Protecting and enhancing neighbourhoods A FREE event for APSE Northern Region member councils 22 July, Maldron Hotel, Newcastle.



Annual seminar and service awards 2025 10-11 September 2025, Glasgow

Bookings now open at apse.org.uk/events

Two complimentary places per member council!