

Pan-Professional CPD Memorandum of Understanding Signing
Thursday 27 September 2007
Hilton Manchester Airport

Time: 12.00pm – 1.00pm

Background:

This Memorandum of Understanding is a mutual agreement between the wide range of professional institutes and similar member organisations in the North West who are committed to working together to promote sustainable communities. No legal commitments are made here.

Our shared aim is to raise the quality of both regeneration and new development practice in the region by ensuring that our members have the best possible access to support for the continuous development of their professional skills.

In particular we will ensure that the region benefits from new arrangements to share:

- Planning of our CPD programmes by CPD Forum meetings facilitated by RENEW Northwest;
- Communications for our members on the range of professional CPD offered across the region;
- Delivery of some CPD activities where possible, especially for generic skills development.

Previous Signatories:

- Construction Industry Council (CIC)
- Institute of Civil Engineers (ICE)
- Institute of Economic Development (IED)
- Landscape Institute (LI)
- Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)
- Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)
- Royal Institute of Town Planning (RTPI)
- Urban Design Group (UDG)

New Signatories:

- Association of Building Engineers (ABE)
Kate Borrill, Deputy CEO
- Centre for Construction Innovation (CCI)
Professor Andrew Thomas
- Chartered Institute of Architectural Technologists (CIAT)
Stephen Nicholls, immediate past Chairman CIAT NW
- Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB)
Eric Stokes, NW Branch Chair/ Hazel Yorke NW Branch Manager

- Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH)
Dave Bowyer, NW Branch Chair
- Institution of Structural Engineers (IStructE)
Alan Bramwell, for Lancashire and Cheshire Branch; also chairs national professional development panel
- University of Salford - School of the Built Environment:
Professor Andrew Thomas
- Institution of Highways and Transportation (IHT)
Chris Jackson, Senior Vice President

Next Steps:

RENEW Northwest will produce and distribute a press release to the relevant trade press announcing the new signatories and a renewed commitment to pan-professional CPD in the Northwest. This press release will be cleared with new signatories prior to release.

In addition, following the signing, RENEW Northwest will provide each signatory with a PDF version of the signed MoU at A3 size, along with copies of images from the signing.