

Foreword from Lee Mallett

Welcome to the London launch conference for the Urban Regeneration Toolbox.

Today's event is designed to be "mental gymnastics" for regeneration practitioners. The Toolbox, which has its official launch at the House of Commons on 6 March, is a unique collection of ideas, experience and propositions for improving how we go about regeneration, and how to tackle the substantial national problems we still face.

Our 5x5 format allows a selection of Toolbox contributors to present their ideas briefly (5 people in 5 minutes) to provide fuel for a discussion about how we get it right in future. After this launch, we will be establishing the "Regeneration Forum" to pursue new ideas around the country to help establish a more effective relationship between the public and private sectors. It's about learning from the process.

Lee Mallett, editor, Urban Regeneration Toolbox

Objectives

The two conferences on Wednesday, 14th February (London) and the Thursday, 1st March (Manchester) will launch the URT in the world of regeneration and provide a platform for the speakers to present their Chapter contributions to a participating audience.

Copies of the URT will be available at the conferences with a discount for delegates. The Regeneration Forum will also be launched at the conference which will continue the debate about regeneration and the contents of the Toolbox.

On The Podium - The 5X5 format

Toolbox editor Lee Mallett will be your moderator for the day. A Question and Answer session will follow the five presentations in each session – the aim is cover as much ground as possible and generate exchange of ideas and opinions.

8.15	Coffee and croissants
9.00	Tim Battle and Lee Mallett will give a welcome and introduction to the conference, followed by a short film entitled Project Champions in Regeneration (sponsored by Denton Wilde Sapte and produced by Wordsearch).
9.25	Session 1: Issues between the Public and Private Sectors Speakers: George Ferguson (Academy of Urbanism), Karen Andrews (Nabarro Nathanson), Susan Lynch (Drivers Jonas), Steve MacAdam (Fluid), and Neil Webster (GVA Grimley).
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 - 11.15	Keynote Speech by Sir Michael Lyons (English Cities Fund)
11.15	Session 2: Civic Leadership and Community Involvement Speakers: Sir Michael Lyons (English Cities Fund), Barra MacRuairi (Yorkshire Forward), Patricia Brown (Central London Partnership), Sophia deSousa (The Glass House), Dermot Finch (IPPR Centre for Cities) and Jackie Sadek (Park Royal).
12.15	Session 3: Design, Climate Change and Delivery Speakers: Guy Battle (Battle McCarthy), Jonathan Kendall (Fletcher Priest), Peter Halsall (BioRegional Quintain), Peter Stewart (Peter Stewart Consultancy), and Robin Nicholson (Edward Cullinan Architects).
13.15 - 14.15	Lunch at the RIBA
14.15 - 15.15	Session 4: Planning and Planning Gain Speakers: Brian Waters (London Planning & Development Forum), Daisy Froud (Open House), David Taylor (David Taylor Partnership), John Rhodes (RPS Group), and John Allen (London Thames Gateway Development Corporation).
15.15 - 15.30	Conference Summary , followed by tea and coffee.

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