

Scotland Policy Conferences keynote seminar:

Next steps for planning policy in Scotland

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Assessing progress and next steps for planning policy reform in Scotland**
Senior commentator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Priorities and key issues for NPF4 implementation**
Local development plans | The consenting process | Improving local living | 20-minute neighbourhoods | Progressing on net zero targets | Assessing what support is needed to ensure high quality applications | Key priorities for local authorities
Lorraine Tulloch, Chief Executive, Greenspace Scotland
Craig Whelton, Partner, Burges Salmon
Senior representative, local authority
Senior representative, engineering
- 9.55 **Challenges faced by local planning authorities - key issues for resourcing and skills development**
Senior representative, planning
- 10.05 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.40 Break
- 10.50 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.55 **Key priorities for the housing sector**
Identifying issues around housing provision | Balancing delivery with sustainability | Support for house builders
Pauline Smith, Chief Executive, Development Trusts Association Scotland
Senior representative, finance
Senior representative, housing development
Senior academic
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 **Options for streamlining the planning system**
Challenges around consenting | Priorities for the energy sector | Adopting innovation | Making progress on LDPs
Senior representative, local authority
Senior representative, energy
Senior representative, innovation
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 **Policy priorities for meeting the targets set out in NPF4**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Tiernan Phipps, Lead Researcher, Scotland Policy Conferences