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IPFMA CONFERENCE 2009 'Seeing Through the MUD'

Venue Information

Croke Park Conference Centre, Hogan Mezzanine Suite

Car

Driving from O'Connell Street in the City Centre, follow the signs for the N1 North onto Dorset Street and Drumcondra Road. At the railway bridge overpass on Drumcondra Road, turn right onto Clonliffe Road. At the next set of traffic lights, turn right onto Jones' Road for the Hogan Stand entrance.

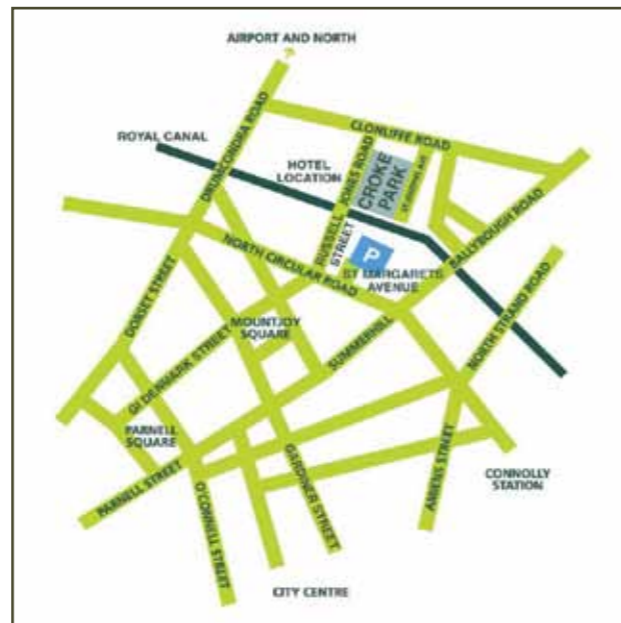
If travelling from the Airport/North, follow directions for the city centre. Just before the railway overpass at the end of Drumcondra Road Lower, turn left onto Clonliffe Road. At the next set of traffic lights, turn right onto Jones' Road for the Hogan Stand entrance.

Train

The closest railway station is Drumcondra at the intersection of Drumcondra Road (N1) and Clonliffe Road, a 5-minute walk from the stadium. This station is served by Arrow trains. The closest DART stations are Connolly and Clontarf. Connolly is a 15-20 minute walk and Clontarf a 20-25 minute walk to the stadium. The closest LUAS and Intercity Rail stop is also at Connolly Station.

Bus

From the city centre to Drumcondra Road - No 3, 11, 11a, 16, 16a, and 41.



Parking

For attendees at events in the Hogan Stand, there are 180 complimentary car parking spaces available in the Canal Car Park on a first come first served basis. This is located off the North Circular Road and accessed via St. Margaret's Avenue (first left after Gills Pub on the corner with Russell Street.) There is pedestrian access from the car park onto Jones' Road/Russell Street for the main entrance to the Hogan stand (on Jones' Road, opposite Jury's Croke Park Hotel).

Exhibitors



Disclaimer

The Association reserves the right to vary the speakers and content within the overall objectives of the conference. The Association accepts no responsibility for views expressed by conference speakers.

Multi-Unit Development & Management

The path to positive multi-unit development and best practice in property & facility management

Thursday 1st October 2009

Croke Park Conference Centre, Dublin

Welcome & Conference Programme

IPFMA Chairman - Tom Dunne



I am delighted to welcome you to the 7th IPFMA annual Conference with the theme "Multi-Unit Development & Management"

At this conference through the convergence of our associated professions and experts we hope to deliver practical and technical insight into the needs of multi-unit development ownership and management to assist government in developing a robust legal framework and much needed reform in areas not yet clearly identified and which need addressing.

As the professional body for the property and facility management profession in Ireland the IPFMA welcomes the Property Services Regulatory Authority and shares its objectives to develop excellence

in terms of skills and professional conduct in the multi-unit sector.

I welcome also our esteemed speakers who join us in our combined efforts to ensure a wider and more effective legislative regime for multi-unit development and management.

I also welcome and thank our exhibitors and our conference committee who annually support this event and finally I thank you, the delegates for your attendance and I look forward to meeting everyone on the day.



Tom Dunne
IPFMA Chairman 2009-2010

Conference Chair - Siobhan O'Dwyer



Siobhan O'Dwyer MIPFMA MIAVI is the Junior Vice Chair of IPFMA and the founder and chairman of O'Dwyer Property Management (ODPM) a leading Irish multi-unit property and facility management firm. Siobhan is a tireless campaigner for legislative reform and increased consumer protection and as such served as a member of the Law Reform Commission's Multi-Unit Developments

Working Group, presented at the National Housing Conference in 2007 and served as a member of The National Consumers Agency's Multi-Unit Stakeholders Forum.

On behalf of the IPFMA she led submissions to Government and relevant state organisations and in 2008 authored the "IPFMA's Position Paper on Residential Multi-Unit Development and Management". She has lectured and written articles on best practice in her mission to promote excellence within the profession.

Conference Programme

08.30 REGISTRATION, REFRESHMENTS, EXHIBITION VIEWING & NETWORKING	11.35 How Effective is Building Control? Has public safety and health been better protected now by the Building Control Act than by the Bye Laws it ousted? Jack Kavanagh
09.00 Welcome Address from Conference Sponsors AON	
09.05 Welcome Address from IPFMA Chairman Tom Dunne	12.05 How Better Use of Planning & Building Control Law could help to protect the Owners and Occupiers of Multi-Unit Residential Developments Toal Ó Muiré
09.15 Opening Address from Conference Chair Siobhan O'Dwyer	12.40 "A man's home is his castle"...or if within a multi-unit development, is it his ruin? Ailbhe Rice
09.30 The New Regulatory Environment - The Implications for Management Agents Thomas G. Lynch	13.15 LUNCH AND EXHIBITION VIEWING
09.50 Legislative Change - Key Recommendations and Objectives of the new Multi-Unit Developments Bill 2009 Patricia Rickard-Clarke	14.30 The Role of the Planning Authority in Multi-Unit Developments Jim Keogan
10.20 Multi-Unit Development Snagging, Common Defects & Irregularities in Construction: Some Case Studies Pat McGovern	15.00 Irish Home Builders Association - Code of Practice for Developers Hubert Fitzpatrick
10.45 Fire Safety Compliance in Multi-Unit Apartment Buildings - Who's Responsibility? Colm Traynor	15.30 AFTERNOON COFFEE AND EXHIBITION VIEWING
11.15 MORNING COFFEE AND EXHIBITION VIEWING	16.00 Speaker's Panel Questions & Answers Facilitated by Evelyn Hanlon
	16.30 Closing Remarks Thomas G. Lynch
	16.45 Conference Chair Closing Summary Siobhan O'Dwyer

Please note that speakers, topics and times may be subject to change

Speakers

Thomas G Lynch



Thomas G. Lynch is the Chief Executive (Designate) of the Property Services Regulatory Authority. He was appointed in June 2006.

Patricia Rickard-Clarke



Patricia Rickard-Clarke is a Commissioner with the Law Reform Commission (part time from 1997 – 2001). Up until 2002 she was a partner in McCann FitzGerald Solicitors specialising in taxation and trusts. She is a member of STEP (Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners) and a member of NUI Maynooth Law Council.

Pat McGovern



Pat McGovern, BSc FSCS FRICS, is Managing Director of McGovern Surveyors, a firm of Chartered Building Surveyors, in private practice. A Chartered Surveyor, Pat formed his own practice in 1991, specialising in Structural Surveys, Schedules of Condition and Dilapidation and Building Defect Analysis. He has lectured part time for 9 years in Building Pathology at Dundalk Institute of Technology.

Colm Traynor



Colm Traynor is a Chartered Engineer and a Fellow of the Institution of Engineers of Ireland. Following a number of years in the construction and civil engineering industry, he spent more than twenty years in the Fire Prevention Section of Dublin Fire Brigade. Until recently he was Assistant Chief Fire Officer with DFB, managing a team of more than thirty fire prevention officers dealing with all aspects of regulatory fire safety. Colm Traynor & Associates offer a range of fire safety engineering services, which build on their in-depth knowledge and understanding of fire safety legislation and fire design standards, as well as their insight into the approach adopted by regulatory authorities in interpreting and enforcing the legislation and their expectations in regard to compliance with technical fire safety standards.

Jack Kavanagh



Jack Kavanagh, Eurlng, BE, MEngSc, FIAE, FIEI, FStructE, FICE, RConsEI, FICS, was co-founder of Kavanagh Mansfield & Partners, Consulting Structural and Civil Engineers. He is a past President of Engineers Ireland, a past President of the ACEI and a past Chairman of the Construction Industry Council. He has a long standing interest in construction-related statutory regulation and its effectiveness in the protect of public safety and health and in the licensing of construction professionals. He will discuss the argument that, since the Building Control Act came into force originally in 1990 replacing local Bye Laws, building control may have improved in law but not so in practice, and he will discuss alternative measures to address this deficiency in the protection of public safety.

Toal Ó Muiré



Toal Ó Muiré B.Arch. M.Arch.Sc. M.B.A. Dip.Arb. Dip.Cons.Law FRIAI RIBA FCI Arb is an architect with qualifications in housing research, business administration, construction law, arbitration and mediation. He was a partner for over 20 years in Ó Muiré Smyth Architects until 2005, and has worked also in England, Israel, Spain and Belgium. He was RIAI President in 2002-03, and was for five years the Joint Chairman of the Sustainable Communities and Housing Committee of the RIAI and Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government – the Committee responsible for the biennial National Housing Conference. His essay Working with the Legislation appears in the RIAI book New Housing 2 published earlier this year to coincide with the National Housing Conference 2009.

Ailbhe Rice



Ailbhe Rice is principal of RiceJones Solicitors in Sandymount, Dublin 4 and has been a commercial property specialist for more than 25 years. Her clients have included developers, management companies and agents, as well as individual purchasers. More recently, she has had extensive experience in court applications to both perfect and reconstitute titles, giving security of tenure to management companies and owners in multi-unit developments.

Jim Keogan



Jim Keogan is the Executive Manager of Dublin City Council's Planning Department. A qualified town planner with over 30 years experience in the Public Service he has worked in a number of Local Authorities. In addition to managing the operation of the Planning Department, Jim is overseeing the review of the City's Development Plan and is responsible for that Strategic Planning Policy that guides development within the city. At present this includes expanding the Council's recent policy on apartment standards which will focus on the quality and sustainability of apartment complexes.

Hubert Fitzpatrick



Hubert Fitzpatrick is Director of Development, Housing and Planning Services of the Construction Industry Federation and Director of the Irish Home Builders Association (IHBA) since 2003. The Federation provides advisory services to 1,200 house builders/developers in relation to house building activities including planning and other legislative requirements. The Federation also interacts with both local and central Government representing views of members. Prior to joining the CIF/IHBA, Hubert worked in Project Procurement & Management and dispute resolution with a major Consulting Company and has held senior management positions in a number of local authorities throughout the country.

Evelyn Hanlon

Evelyn Hanlon has worked in local government since the 1970s and, in recent years, has specialised in urban and particularly social regeneration and housing. She is currently based in Dublin City Council's Housing Department working with the City Planners in the development of a Housing Strategy which, when adopted, will form part of the next City Development Plan 2001-2017.