



# Housing Practitioners' Conference 2017

25 – 26 May 2017

## Delivery Now, Managing Sustainability

Clayton Hotel, Cork City



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### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017

9.30 Registration: Tea/Coffee

10.00 Official Opening  
*Cllr. Joe Kavanagh - Deputy Lord Mayor of Cork City Council*

#### Session 1 Chair: Dr Philip Byrne, IPA

10.05 **Addressing the Current Housing Situation**  
*John Fitzgerald, adjunct professor in Economics at Trinity College Dublin and former research professor at the ESRI*

**Delivery Now, Future Sustainable Delivery – are we ready to manage?**  
*Conor Skehan, Chair of the Housing Agency*

**Rebuilding Ireland – Update on Progress**  
*Bairbre NicAongusa, Assistant Secretary, Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*

**Questions and Answers – Panel Discussion**

11.20 Tea and Coffee

#### Session 2 – Perspectives on Challenges, Innovation and Partnerships

*Chair Maurice Manning, Director of Housing, Cork County Council*

11.45 **Approved Housing Body Challenges, innovation and partnership with LAs**  
*Donal McManus, Director, Irish Council for Social Housing*

**Position and Role of the Private Rented Sector**  
*Rosalind Carroll, Director, Residential Tenancies Board*

**Questions and Answers – Panel Discussion**

12.45 Lunch

#### Session 3 – Updates on Key Housing Areas

*Chair Valerie O' Sullivan, Director of Housing, Cork City Council*

14.00

- **Housing Assistance Payment** – Eoghan Prendergast, Limerick City & County Council
- **Strategy on Housing for People with Disabilities**, Claire Feeney, Housing Agency
- **Turnkey Experience** – Fiona Cormican, Clúid Housing
- **Repair and Lease** – Joe Sullivan, Waterford City & County Council
- **P&A Agreements/Capital Advance Leasing Facility** – Patrick Graham, Housing Agency

15.20 Tea and Coffee

#### Session 4 – Workshops / Continued over



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### Session 4 – Workshops

15.40

- Workshop 1**      *Annual Summary of Social Housing Assessments*
- Workshop 2**      *Mortgage to Rent*
- Workshop 3**      *Part V of the Planning and Development Acts*
- Workshop 4**      *Dealing with Racially Motivated Anti-Social Behaviour*
- Workshop 5**      *Compulsory Purchase of Vacant Properties*

17.00              **Workshops Conclude**

19.00              **Pre-Dinner Reception**

20.00              **Pre – Dinner Address by Minister Damien English, T.D**  
**Minister of State for Housing and Urban Renewal**

## Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2017

9.30                **Tea and Coffee**

### Session 5 – Managing the Assets

*Chair: Billy Coman, Director of Housing, South Dublin County Council*

- 9.45                **Local Authority Challenges, innovation and partnership with AHBs**  
*Michael Walsh, Chief Executive, Waterford City & County Council*
- Progress on Choice Based Lettings**  
*Catherine Kelly, Senior Executive Officer, Cork City Council*
- Managing our Housing Assets**  
*Colm McQuillan, Northern Ireland Housing Executive*

10.50              **Questions and Answers**

11.00              **Tea and Coffee**

### Session 6 – Social Housing Delivery under Rebuilding Ireland

*Chair: John O'Connor, Chief Executive, Housing Agency*

- 11.20              **Social Housing Delivery**  
*Mary Hurley, Assistant Secretary, Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*
- Current Construction Programme and Approval Process**  
*Sarah Neary, Principal Advisor, Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government*

13.00              **Conference Conclusion, followed by Lunch**