

# winds of change

2011 NZPI Conference, Wellington



# programme at a glance

	Tues 29 March	Wed 30 March	Thur 31 March	Friday 1 April
<b>Morning</b>	YPCongress11	Conference Sessions	Conference Sessions	Conference Field Trips
<b>Lunch</b>	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
<b>Afternoon</b>	YPCongress11 Pre-Conference Workshops	Conference Sessions	Conference Sessions	Conference Field Trips
<b>Evening</b>	Conference Welcome Reception	NZPI AGM	NZPI/RMLA Pre-election seminar	Conference Dinner

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# welcome to wellington

The Wellington Branch of the New Zealand Planning Institute® invites you to attend the 2011 NZPI Conference.

Arts, culture, fine dining and breathtaking natural scenery - that's what Wellington's all about. New Zealand's capital city is nestled between rolling hills and a stunning harbour, and has a vibrant and compact downtown area, perfect for exploring. The city is home to Te Papa, New Zealand's national museum and Zealandia: "The Kaori Sanctuary Experience" is home to some of the rarest and most extraordinary wildlife on the planet. In Wellington you'll also discover an amazing range of cafes, art galleries, theatres, attractions and a humming nightlife.

2011 promises to be a changing year. Our conference will be the opportunity for you to ask yourself how well you understand the changing nature of our planning environment.

Most prominently, 2011 is an election year and being in Wellington, we'll be profiling the politics of planning now and into the future like no other branch is able. No matter the promises and outcome of the election, our profession is in the midst of change to policy, law, underlying science, philosophy and practice that we must acknowledge and respond to.

The conference will explore the changing natural environment and how climate change may result in further changes. We'll look at the changing governance environment in relation to local government changes, our new Auckland Super City and we'll look at the changing role of iwi in planning decisions through new Treaty settlement co-governance arrangements. We'll consider the changing RMA with the significant review to our primary law being well advanced by then. Being the year of the Rugby World Cup, we will also explore the major planning considerations and legacy issues that these major events bring.

We have a fantastic range of international and New Zealand speakers who will challenge your assumptions.

We look forward to seeing you in Wellington, Absolutely Positively the Coolest Little Capital in the World!

## **Helen Anderson**

Chair, Conference Organising Committee



# sponsors to date



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*In 2010 the New Zealand Planning Institute partnered with **Green Event** to make the annual conference a more environmentally sustainable event. A number of waste reduction, energy efficiency and smart travel initiatives were implemented. A comprehensive monitoring programme was undertaken and an environmental baseline was established using GRI (Global Reporting Initiative) indicators. In 2011, NZPI will be working to improve its performance and will be working with the conference committee, the venue, conference suppliers and participants to make the event more environmentally sustainable.*



# key conference information

## venue

This conference will be held across two venues, the Wellington Town Hall and the Wharewaka, a newly constructed Whare on the Wellington foreshore adjacent to the Frank Kitts Park lagoon.



### Wellington Town Hall

[www.wellingtonconventioncentre.com/venues/wellington-town-hall](http://www.wellingtonconventioncentre.com/venues/wellington-town-hall)

**Address:** 111 Wakefield St  
**Phone:** 04 801 4231



### Wharewaka

*On the water front near Te Papa.*

The wharewaka on this site will showcase and shelter Te Raukura and other waka and brings an extremely important and significant cultural presence to Wellington's waterfront.

The site was previously harbour frontage to Te Aro Pa, one of Wellington's largest Maori communities up until the 1880's – Te Wharewaka will re-establish a Maori presence on the waterfront absent since that time. The two ceremonial waka taua will be on permanent public display in lower ground floor semi-external display space, from where they can be launched directly into the harbour. The building will also house six-person waka ama (outrigger canoes).

The form of the whare will be a symbolic rendition of the waka form and could feature the following:

- Te Tau Ihu or the prow of a canoe
- the maihi (bargeboards) represents the ancestor's arms held out in welcome to visitors
- pare (lintels) above the doorways
- the poupou (carved figures) both inside and outside the whare.

The structure is overlaid with an exterior 'cloak' (korowai) – an outer layer covering the body of the building, draping down its sides in forms symbolic of waka sails.

The building itself has strong relationships to the open spaces on all sides. The front and the area faces northeast, as is the convention, and the building's axis and the tahuhu (backbone) are aligned on the Kupe sculpture.

# key conference information cont....

## accommodation

Preferential rates are being negotiated at several conveniently located hotels.

Details will be provided in January.

## registration/information desk

### Opening Hours

Tuesday 11.00am—7.30pm

Wednesday 7.15am—6.00pm

Thursday 7.30am—6.00pm

Friday 7.30am—9am and 6.30pm—7.30pm

## registration entitlements

**Full Registration** includes entry into the Welcome Reception, Conference Dinner and Friday Field Trips.

**Student Registration** includes the Welcome Reception but not the Conference Dinner.

**Day Registration** excludes those functions unless paid for separately. If unsure of your status please check at the Registration Desk. Additional social event tickets may also still be available.

## presenter instructions

Please re-check the time of your presentation. You should visit the room of your session at the start of the break prior to the session's commencement. This is to check on AV set-up and to meet the session chair. Please also provide the chair 1 or 2 sentences to be used for your introduction. Please also note the scheduled duration (usually 30 mins) and allow time for questions within that period.

## friday field trips

Buses will pick up participants from outside the main entrance to the Convention Centre adjacent to the Town Hall.

*Note: Buses will depart promptly at the time stated in the field trip information*

# pre-conference workshops

## urban design forum meeting

### Towards a New Zealand Urbanism

The New Zealand Urban Design Forum is hosting a discussion about the urbanism in the New Zealand context. We hear a lot about urban environments in other countries and the way these are planned, designed and implemented – if we had to conceptualise an ideal urbanism for New Zealand and its various different types of urban environments would it look, behave and be delivered differently? In what ways might it be different? This session will include a panel discussion/presentation from different perspectives and stimulate discussion from the group. The aim is to use this forum to openly explore the concept of urbanism in New Zealand and to enhance our understanding of the attributes of that can continue to make our urban places desirable to live in, attractive to visitors and economically sustainable.

**2.00pm:** Introduction to the afternoon and short update on UDF activities including report back on UDF input into RMA2 reforms, Spatial Planning and urban design practice.

**2.20:** Panel discussion: Towards a New Zealand Urbanism. Three urban design practitioners will discuss how they perceive kiwi urbanism to be different from towns and cities in other countries. The panel will involve an architect, landscape architect and planner.

**3.15:** Afternoon tea

**3.45:** Forum discussion – where to for kiwi urbanism.

**4.45:** Next steps for the Urban Design Forum and wrap up.

## the rodney davies research symposium 2011

### Theme

Improving connections and understanding between research and planning practice.

This year's symposium will look at the relationship between scientific research and planning practice. Questions to consider include:

- How do planners use research in the workplace?
- What are the issues, barriers and opportunities of using research in planning (and how can they be addressed?)
- What research needs to be started now to meet the needs of planners in, say, 2015?

**2.00pm:** Welcome and Introductions  
Setting the scene  
*When the earth shakes, does it matter what the plan says?*, Wendy Saunders, GNS

**2.15pm:** District plan monitoring in practice  
*Dr Mark Bellingham*

**2.45pm:** Using public health research in district plan development, *Jeanette Arnold*

**3.15pm:** Afternoon tea

**3.45pm:** A framework for monitoring district plan effectiveness  
*Susie Wood and Jan Crawford*

**4.15pm** Panel discussion – theme and key questions  
Moderated by *Evan Davies, Managing Director, Todd Property Group Ltd*

**5pm** Making research work for you – a special interest group  
*Wendy Saunders*

**5.15pm** Closing Remarks  
*Lee Beattie*

# pre-conference workshops cont....

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## maori planning hui

### **Kia ora tatou,**

This inaugural pre-conference Maori Planning hui will be focussed on providing a forum for planning and resource management practitioners from around Aotearoa to come together to talk about Maori planning issues. This session will provide a platform for discussing how Maori planners and practitioners can work together and support each other, share lessons learnt and develop new guidance and training opportunities.

Discussion will also take place on the possibility of forming a Maori Special Interest Group (SIG) within NZPI.

### **Nga mihi.**

## workshop for elected local government representatives

The Elected Representatives Workshop will be of particular interest to elected members of local authorities and those who sit on hearings panels for consents and plan changes.

An inter-active session discussing three issues of perennial interest to Councillors:

- Hearings – expectations of and issues for hearing councillors/commissioners
- Conflicts of interest, bias, and predetermination
- Resource Management Act changes that will affect Councillors.

*This session will be chaired by an experienced councillor and presenters will include experienced resource management practitioners.*

**\$70 (excl GST)**

# international keynote speakers

Leonie Sandercock | Robert Liberty | George Monbiot | Hon. Desley Boyle



**Leonie Sandercock** is a Distinguished Professor currently teaching at the School of Community & Regional Planning at University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada. Her research interests include immigration, cultural diversity and integration; participatory planning, democracy, and information and communication technologies. Sandercock has published many books, the most influential of which is "Towards Cosmopolis: Planning for Multicultural Cities" (1998), and its sequel "Cosmopolis 2: Mongrel Cities". She has won numerous international awards for her work and is in high demand as an international speaker. At the conference she will address issues relating to her latest book *'Multimedia Explorations in Urban Policy & Planning'* and a recently completed film documentary *'Finding Our Way'*, looking at relations between First Nations and non-Native Canadians, including conflicts over land.



**Robert Liberty** has almost thirty years of experience in efforts to reform the pattern of growth and development in the United States in order to replace sprawl, with lively, compact and equitable cities and towns and the conservation of farmland, forestland and natural resources. Since 2004 he has been elected to the Portland, Oregon regional government, Metro; the nation's first elected regional government. In 2010 he began work as the liaison for a long-range regional public investment strategy and a regional planning grant focusing on housing equity, part of the Obama administration's new urban policy. He has served as Executive Director for 1000 Friends of Oregon, the nation's oldest statewide Smart Growth advocacy organisation and President of the Growth Management Leadership Alliance, an association of US and Canadian Smart Growth advocacy groups. He is a frequent speaker on growth management planning and politics in the U.S. and abroad.



**George Monbiot** is an English writer, known for his environmental and political activism. He writes a weekly column for *The Guardian*, and is the author of the bestselling books *The Age of Consent: A Manifesto for a New World Order* and *Captive State: The Corporate Takeover of Britain*, *Heat: How to Stop the Planet Burning* (2006) and *Bring on the Apocalypse: Six Arguments for Global Justice* (2008). He is the founder of 'The Land is Ours' campaign, which campaigns peacefully for the right of access to the countryside and its resources in the UK. He has held visiting fellowships or professorships at the universities of Oxford (environmental policy), Bristol (philosophy), Keele (politics), Oxford Brookes (planning), and East London (environmental science). Monbiot believes that drastic action at a personal and collective level coupled with strong political will is needed to combat global warming and has written that climate change is the "moral question of the 21st century"



**Hon. Desley Boyle** is the Queensland State Minister for Local Government and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships. While the director and clinical psychologist for Desley Boyle and Associates in Cairns she was elected to and held a position with the Cairns local government from 1988 to 1994, including two years as Deputy Mayor. Between 2004 and 2007 she held various Ministry positions with the including Minister for Child Safety; Minister for Environment, Local Government, Planning and Women of Queensland; Minister for Local Government and Planning and Women of Queensland; Minister for Local Government and Planning In 2007 she became the Queensland Minister for Tourism, Regional Development and Industry and in 2009 was appointed to her current position.

## **new zealand keynote speakers**

**Mark Solomon | Hon. Nick Smith | Hon. Chris Finlayson | Roger Blakeley**



**Mark Solomon** is Kaiwhakahaere (Chair) Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu. He is of Ngai Tahu and Ngāti Kuri descent, and is from Kaikoura on the east coast of Te Waipounamu. Mark has represented his Kaikoura Runanga since 1988 and has contributed to his community in many capacities, ranging from roles as a trustee of Takahanga Marae, the local school board and on the board of the Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, a position he held from 2001-07. He currently holds directorships with Te Hapai Mauri Ltd, Te Pataka o Tangaroa and Te Pataka o Rauru. He is also a Summit Member of the Hillary Institute and a member of Te Kawai Taumata.



**Hon. Nick Smith** is Minister for the Environment, Minister for Climate Change Issues and Minister for ACC. Nick entered parliament in 1990 and was the first National MP in Tasman since 1932, then following the MMP reforms in 1996, was elected the first Nelson National MP since 1954. He continues to hold the seat with a comfortable majority. A Minister in the previous National Government he has held the portfolios of Education, Corrections, Conservation, Assoc Minister of Immigration, Treaty Negotiations and Social Welfare.



**Hon. Chris Finlayson** is the Attorney-General, Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations and Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage. For twenty-five years Chris practiced law in Wellington and as a partner in two large law firms. In 2003 Chris became a barrister sole. Over the years, Chris has represented clients in all of New Zealand's Courts and Tribunals, including nine appearances in the Privy Council. He is currently a member of the Rules Committee of the High Court and for many years maintained his links to academic life through part-time teaching at Victoria University's Law Faculty.



**Roger Blakeley** is the Chief Planning Officer of the new Auckland Council. His principal tasks for Auckland Council involve the development of a Regional Spatial Plan for Auckland, which sets out the long term vision and framework for development over the next 30 years. Dr Blakeley brings a wealth of experience to this role. As Secretary for the Environment, he was involved in conceiving and developing the Resource Management Act 1991, and while Chief Executive at the Department of Internal Affairs initiated work on the Local Government Act 2002.

## invited overseas session speakers

Terry Moore | Steven Dale



**Terry Moore** has been a vice president and project manager at ECONorthwest, an economic consulting and expert testimony company based in Portland, Oregon, U.S, since 1979. He has managed over 500 projects in transportation and land-use planning, economic development, growth management, policy analysis, and market and feasibility analysis for private and public clients. In addition Terry is a contributor to the professional planning literature. His wide-ranging articles have appeared in numerous learned journals and professional publications and he was principal author for two books published by the American Planning Association Press. Terry's current work focuses on integrated regional planning for land use, transportation, and economic development; transportation economics and finance. He is also an adjunct professor in the Department of Planning, Public Policy, and Management at the University of Oregon.



**Steven Dale** is the Founder and Principal of CUP Projects, a small planning and design shop dedicated to innovation, community and the incubation of new ideas for the urban century ahead. Steven has a keen interest in new styles of planning and the intersection between technology and the urban form. He's written for many online and print publications and consulted with think tanks, the private sector and academia. CUP is currently focusing its attention towards Cable Propelled Transit - that is, adapting ski lift-style gondolas to mass urban transit, a concept Steven readily admits is ridiculous until you think about it for a minute or two.

# conference programme

## Monday 28 March

**6.00pm** YP Pre-congress Function for early arrivals

## Tuesday 29 March

**8.30am—5pm** YPCONGRESS11

**11am-12 noon** NZPI Council Meeting

**12 noon** Conference Registration Desk Opens

**2.00-5.00pm** **Pre-Conference Workshops**

- Workshop for Local Government Representatives
- Urban Design Forum meeting
- Research Symposium
- Maori Planning Hui

Afternoon Tea

Pre-Conference Workshops Continue

**5.30-7.30pm** **Welcome Reception**  
Powhiri, Welcome, Social Event

**7.30pm** **Close**

**Free Evening**

## Wednesday 30 March

**7:15am** Registration Desk Opens

**9.00-9.15am** **Conference Opening**

**9.15-10.00am** **Nick Smith**

**10.00-10.45am** **Keynote:** Leonie Sandercock

**10.45-11.15am** Morning Tea

**11:15-12 noon** **Keynote:** Desley Boyle

**12 noon-1.00pm** **Keynote:** Robert Liberty

**1.00-2.00pm** Lunch

NZPI Branch Chairs meeting

**2.00-3.30pm** **Parallel Sessions A**

### Conference Social Activities

In addition to the Conference Welcome Reception and the Gala Dinner (both included in the Full Registration fee), there is the opportunity to attend the following, usually very lively, event to be held at Parliament on the evening of Thursday 31 March. Drinks and snacks provided. This is an optional event and a fee applies. See Enrolment Form. Pre-registration essential.

### Joint NZPI/RMLA Pre-election Seminar

Pre-election seminar to hear the environmental spokespersons from the various political parties speak about their environmental policies. This event will be one of the highlights on the conference social calendar and give you an opportunity to mingle with your RMLA colleagues and also come up to speed with the latest in environmental policy directions.

## Wednesday 30 March *cont....*

**3.30-4pm** Afternoon Tea

**4.00-4.45pm** **Keynote:** Roger Blakeley

**4.45-5.00pm** NZPI CEO Report

Young Planners Report

NZPI AGM

**5.15pm**

**Free Evening**

## Thursday 31 March

**7:30am** Registration Desk Opens

**8.00-9.10am** **Keynote:** George Monbiot

**9.10-9.50am** **Keynote:** Chris Finlayson

**9.50-10.30am** **NZPI Annual Awards**

**10.30-11.00am** Morning Tea

**11.00-11.40am** **Keynote:** Mark Solomon

**11.40-12.20pm** Keynoters Panel Discussion

**12.20-1.10pm** Lunch

**1.10-3.10pm** **Parallel Sessions B**

**3.10-3.40pm** Afternoon Tea

**3.40-5pm** **Parallel Sessions C**

**5.00pm** Field Trips Briefing

**5.30pm** **Joint NZPI/RMLA**

**Seminar**

## Friday 1 April

**8.15-9.00am** Field Trips Depart

**3.30-5.30pm** Field Trips Return

**7.00pm** Pre Conference Dinner  
Drinks

**7.30pm till late** Conference Dinner  
Conference Closing  
Ceremony  
2012 Conference  
Promos

# conference themes

The detailed content of the parallel streams will be advised in January once the selection from the abstract submissions has been made.

Some 40+ quality presentations will encompass the Conference themes.

## **Governance:**

One of the most significant changes since the 1980 is occurring with our environmental legislation and governance. We've seen the advent of the Auckland Super City, the creation of an Environmental Protection Authority, and establishment of a collaborative governance model through the Land and Water Forum. How are the reforms progressing? What is your perspective on them? What are the drivers, what direction should we be taking? Are there examples of local initiatives that can provide direction for central change?

## **Urban Planning:**

New Zealand's international competitiveness relies more and more on the competitiveness of its major cities. How are we making cities work better? What will spatial planning mean for not only Auckland but the rest of New Zealand? Are we designing our cities to be durable into the future?

## **Infrastructure Planning:**

Infrastructure is the glue that allows our cities to function well – it is key to how effectively urban and rural areas develop, operate and link together.

Infrastructure and public services provide for the delivery of public goods on a national scale in both urban and rural areas. Central and Local government spends billions of dollars in cities and on infrastructure and the private sector also spends billions each year, often leveraging off the public sector investment. Are we doing it right? Can we do it better?

## **Major Event Planning:**

It's Rugby World Cup year! Can we win? Well, that's out of our control. But we can have influence on the success of this event through great planning. Are there things we've learnt during the process of preparing for the Cup?

## **Māori Participation in Planning:**

Increasingly Māori are playing a greater and stronger role in planning decision-making. The Māori world view is not well understood by many conventional decision-makers and most current decision-making bodies have low Māori representation. But this is changing, with new planning and resource management decision making bodies and advisory committees with strong Māori representation being established. Increasingly Treaty settlements are reflecting the special relationship that Māori have with the environment, as well as their economic aspirations. New tools are being developed where it's been felt that conventional practices and tools have failed. How are things changing and how do we need to respond?

## **Natural Hazards Planning and Planning for Climate Change Adaptation:**

It's happened – we have had a 1:750 year earthquake disaster in the South Island. We've had tsunami warnings, our volcanoes have been rumbling, flooding events seem to be happening more and more, and we're told that our climate is going to change in the near future exacerbating potential hazards. We live in a country jam packed with potential natural hazards. Are we really prepared? What else do we need to do? Who's looking after all of this? Should we all move to Australia just in case?

Departure and return times will vary somewhat but all will return by 5.00pm in time for the Gala Dinner. Participants must pre-register for their chosen option on the Enrolment Form.

People should have suitable clothing in the case of inclement weather and a good pair of walking shoes. Don't forget your camera! Teas and Lunch are included.

**NOTE : Numbers are limited on all options.**

**NOTE : Field trips are included in the Full Registration fee.**

## wild wellington



### Looking for a wild and natural adventure?!

Well you have the chance to do both on this tour....

You'll get to explore the wild terrain of local Wellington via 'sealmobiles' taking in the breath taking views from the South Coast of the expanse of Cook Strait and the snow-capped mountains of the rugged Kaikoura's rising in the distance. Most importantly, you'll have the opportunity to get up close and personal with the local seals, and maybe if you're lucky, see the odd orca whale hanging out in the Strait.

The natural aspect of this tour encompasses trekking through the wilderness of Zealandia: "The Karori Sanctuary Experience" located within 10 minutes of the central City with your experienced guide. The idea of this remarkable venture was first mooted by local Jim Lynch in 1992 and it grew from there into an award winning eco-attraction. Quite rightly, with the construction of a predator proof fence in 1995, they quote it as "A safe haven for some of New Zealand's rarest native animals like the kaka - our playful forest parrot - and dozens more species found nowhere else in the world".

For more information go to [www.sealcoast.com](http://www.sealcoast.com) and [www.visitzealandia.com/site/zealandia\\_home/](http://www.visitzealandia.com/site/zealandia_home/) to discover more about what you'll see.

## the pencarrow pilgrimage and harbour highlights

This trip will take you on a tour of Wellington Harbour and its environs including Matiu/Somes Island to discuss topical planning issues facing the wellington region including: treaty settlements and co-governance; biodiversity restoration and urban revitalisation; coastal and hazards planning; and integrated transport planning. The trip will take you on bus from the CBD along the harbours edge to the Pencarrow Lighthouse (New Zealand's oldest light house) where you will have a panoramic view of Wellington Harbour and then learn about New Zealand's last remaining relatively unspoiled wetlands Lake Kohangapiripiri and Lake Kohangatera.

You will get to visit the restored Waiwhetu Stream (previously one of the contaminated streams in NZ from a legacy of industrial land uses), Petone Foreshore (the site of historic significance to Maori and European settlers) and hear about the Great Harbour Way Cycleway project. The main feature of the trip will be a visit to Matiu/Somes Island (a highly significant site to Maori that is now a Scientific and Historic Reserve considered be a tranquil retreat for wildlife and visitors alike) concluding with a short boat cruise on the glorious harbour itself.



## capital connections – a snapshot of wellington’s present and planned infrastructure

This trip will take you on a whirlwind tour within Wellington, Porirua and Hutt Valley to view and discuss some of the regions significant infrastructure developments including the end of the North Island’s railway, state highway, and electricity transmission networks. The tour will begin with a bus trip to the recently upgraded Wellington Airport via the new State Highway Inner City Bypass before visiting the Brooklyn Wind Turbine (NZ’s first), to take in panoramic views of Wellington, before touring the WestWind Wind Farm and visiting Oteranga Bay (where the national grid enters the Cook Strait). We will have lunch at the beautiful Boom Rock Station where you can relax with great views, fine food, and have bash at golf and/or shooting clays off the coastal edge. The trip will then take you past the sites of the planned Mill Creek Wind Farm and Transmission Gully before visiting the recently upgraded Hayward’s Substation. Finally, you will travel back to Wellington along SH2 to observe and discuss the completed and planned upgrades of SH2, the Great Harbour Way Cycleway Project, Westpac Stadium, Centre Port, and the Wellington Railway Station.

### kapiti coast nature experience



Experience the scenic beauty and biodiversity of the Kāpiti Coast, protected within this fast-growing district with a reputation for sustainable development. Take the newly double-tracked commuter train line one hour from Wellington Station to Paraparaumu Station, enjoying dramatic coastal views and historic tunnels along the hillside between Pukerua Bay and Paekākāriki. After a short bus ride to Paraparaumu Beach, a boat will take you 5km offshore through the Kāpiti Marine Reserve to Kāpiti Island, a Department of Conservation wildlife sanctuary with amazing birdlife due to its longstanding predator-free status. On arrival, a guide will provide an orientation talk on the history and natural features of the island. Walking tracks lead to

the summit (521 metres) and around the coastline. Most birds and the impressive forest are to be found below the 200 metre level. You can tour Kapiti Island and watch the birds at your own pace or just relax for a wonderful day. After 5 hours on the island, you will return by boat to Paraparaumu Beach and then by bus to the return train to Wellington.

*Note: the trip to Kapiti Island is subject to weather conditions. In the event the boat is cancelled, the field trip will go to the 13-hectare Nga Manu Nature Reserve in Waikanae ([www.ngamanu.co.nz](http://www.ngamanu.co.nz)) and then to one or more sustainable subdivisions including the award-winning Ferndale subdivision in Waikanae.*

<http://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/places-to-visit/wellington-kapiti/kapiti/kapiti-island-nature-reserve/>

### planning at village scale

Porirua City has recently won gold in the international liveable community awards for community engagement and planning through its Village Planning Programme. This field trip explores some of Porirua’s diverse villages and showcases the village planning process and its relationship with Council RMA and LTP planning processes. With an emphasis on promoting quality urban design outcomes, enhancing heritage management, and enabling a high level of community engagement, Porirua City shows how a holistic approach to planning can be achieved. The field trip concludes with a chance to test your nerves high in the trees overlooking Porirua City on the brand new rope course - Adrenalin Forest, and a beverage at the Historic Gear Homestead (as seen in Peter Jacksons Movie ‘Bad Taste’).



## the hutt valley - smaller cities investing in place

Hutt City is in the process of undertaking significant urban planning projects, focusing particularly on the town centres. Upper Hutt City is also undertaking a structure planning initiative for urban growth. The field trip will visit both cities to hear about these initiatives.

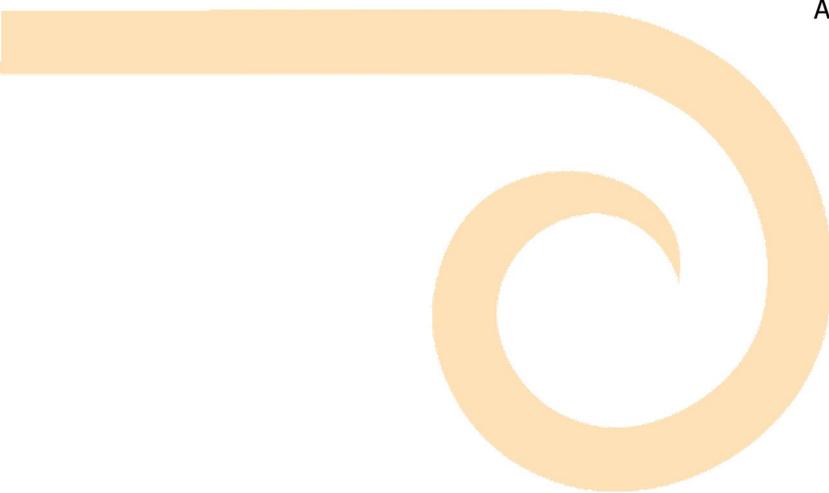
Hutt City Council has recently completed the first stage of their 'Making Places' project and is now embarking on making it happen. Hear about this first hand from those involved and take a walk and talk tour, commencing from the redevelopment New Dowse gallery. Then onto Upper Hutt City where will visit Maymorn in Upper Hutt to hear about a structure planning initiative for urban growth into the currently peri-urban area, and visit the Rimutaka Incline Railway Heritage Trust who have established their base of operations in Maymorn. The Rimutaka Incline Railway Heritage Trust aims to reinstate and operate a world-class heritage railway between Wellington and the Wairarapa. The Railway will be a unique tourist attraction for Wellington and New Zealand, and a major contributor to the regional economy.

## discover the coolest little city in the world heritage tour

Wellington has a rich history of early Maori and European settlement, still visible and woven into the fabric of this vibrant city – if you know where to look! Join us in a guided tour of some of Wellington's nationally important heritage sites and also some of our lesser known 'secret' heritage sites. We will look at the historic layers of development in Wellington City including the role of government in the development of the city's fabric, the story of early Maori settlement and the flux and flow of European settlement into the city we know today. No tour of heritage in Wellington would be complete without sampling our excellent coffee, cuisine and beverages along the way in some great historic buildings.

Heritage planning is a specialisation within the planning profession that has gained importance and notoriety with the elevation of part 6(f) the protection of historic heritage from inappropriate subdivision and use to a matter of national importance. The loss of heritage buildings in Wellington in the 80's saw pivotal battles fought to save important heritage buildings, which influenced the changes to the governance of historic heritage in the RMA. These and other case studies will be looked at during the day, with discussions focused around heritage identification, heritage buildings that have undergone change – for better or worse, heritage areas, their application and use in district plans, a growing understanding of the economic value of heritage and a celebration of the successes for heritage protection in Wellington and how heritage adds to the wellbeing, identity and character of the city.

The New Zealand Historic Places Trust is the lead heritage agency in New Zealand playing an active role in promoting the protection of the historic heritage of New Zealand. NZHPT will provide a range of heritage experts in planning, heritage architecture, Maori heritage, archaeology and heritage management to guide your heritage tour of the city.



Ascot Street houses, Thorndon

Herd Street Post Office, Te Aro

Old Government Buildings

St Gerard's Monastery, Mt Victoria

Public Trust Office, Te Aro

The Wedge, Thorndon

This selection contains some views and places in Wellington that people may not have considered or seen before.

## wairarapa moana

This field trip will take you over the Rimutaka Hills into the Wairarapa to explore the southern most corner of the North Island. Visit Featherston to view a supermarket development and hear about the planning challenges of locating a supermarket within a heritage precinct that is typified by small shopfronts.

Delve into the vexed issue of urban sewage, farm-run-off and its effect on waterways on a tour around the spectacular, but compromised wetlands of South Wairarapa. Lake Wairarapa and Lake Onoke make up the third largest wetland area in the North Island. Find out how the regional council manages these natural water resources and the impacts of one of largest flood protection/land development schemes ever undertaken in New Zealand. We will discuss the community aspirations for these wetlands and the plans to improve the ecology, recreation and cultural opportunities. Take a walk over the Lake Ferry Spit, the plug at the bottom of a 200,000ha catchment, and hear how this area was an economic powerhouse in pre-European times.

Learn about what the regional council do on hill country farms in the catchment to reduce soil erosion and flooding at Tainui Forest and find out about collaboration between Greater Wellington Regional Council, DOC, Iwi, District Councils and schools to restore the wetlands by planting native trees at Waino Wetlands. On the return train trip you can also discover the role of public transport in the region.



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# programme...

Monday 28 March

6.00pm Pre-Congress Function

Tuesday 29 March

8.00-9.00am NZPI Young Planners Annual General Meeting

9.00am Welcome to YPConnect

9.15-10.00am **National Keynote address: Sir Robert Jones**

10.00-10.45pm **Mayoral Address: Mayor Nick Leggett**

10.45-11.00am Morning Tea

[Session 1 - Changing Ideas and Ideals—Reflections on the Modern Day Planner](#)

11.00-11.45pm **International Keynote speaker: Steven Dale 'Insurgent Ideas'**

11.45-12.30pm **James Lunday: 'The Ark'**

12.30pm-1.15pm **MWH LUNCHEON**

[Session 2 - Changing the design of our Urban Environments](#)

1.15-2.00pm **Dr Viv Heslop: 'Being a Positive Deviant'**

2.00-2.45pm **Paul Turner: 'Urban Design, Green Design and Sustainable Neighbourhoods'**

2.45-3.00pm Afternoon Tea

[Session 3—Changing Ourselves—Effective Communication and the Profession of Planning](#)

3.00-3.45pm **Steve Preston:**

*'Changing perceptions and getting your message across - how to become a more effective communicator'*

3.45-4.30pm **Caroline Miller & Clare Sargeant: The Final Word—NZPI Membership, Mentoring and being a responsible Planner**

4.30-5.00pm Debrief YP Congress 11

5.30pm **Join Main Conference Opening Function**

# key note speakers...



## Sir Robert Jones

Sir Robert 'Bob' Jones is a prominent figure in the New Zealand commercial property scene. He founded Robt. Jones Holdings in 1961, which has grown to become New Zealand's largest privately owned commercial property investment company with office and industrial buildings in Australia and New Zealand.

Sir Bob Jones is well known for his straight shooting commentary on New Zealand's economic and political landscape. He has authored over 20 books including several novels. He was knighted in 1989 and received the New Zealand Commemorative medal in 1990.



## Mayor Nick Leggett

Nick was first elected to the Porirua City Council in 1998 aged 19. After 9 years of experience and after building a successful career in commercial property, Nick was elected Mayor in the 2010 local body elections and, at the age of 31, is now the youngest Mayor in charge of a city in New Zealand (Norman Kirk became Mayor of Kaiapoi at an age of 30). Nick first became a city councillor to improve community representation on council. Though 75 per cent of the city were aged under 45, there had been no-one under that age on the council.



## Steven Dale

Steven Dale is the Founder and Principal of CUP Projects, a small planning and design shop based in Toronto Canada dedicated to innovation, community and the incubation of new ideas for the urban century ahead. Steven has a keen interest in new styles of planning and the intersection between technology and the urban form. He's written for many online and print publications and consulted with think tanks, the private sector and academia. CUP is currently focusing its attention towards Cable Propelled Transit - that is, adapting ski lift-style gondolas to mass urban transit, a concept Steven readily admits is ridiculous until you think about it for a minute or two.

*Insurgent Ideas - Ever since the discovery of agriculture, cities have been nothing more than a physical reflection of the ever-changing technologies of the moment. Ideas - for better or worse - have been the primary agents sculpting our cities into what they are today. But never have those ideas and technologies changed as rapidly as they do right now. How then does a bureaucracy keep up? And more importantly, who within that bureaucracy should have the right to decide what ideas or technologies are - or aren't - right?*

# speakers cont...



## Dr Viv Heslop

Dr Viv Heslop is the Director of Vivacity. She is a sustainability strategist and urban planner, with over 16 years experience in policy development and implementation in a sustainable development context. Over this time she has worked on a range of projects, spanning research and practice, which has allowed her to build specialist knowledge of the processes of change that support sustainable development and the contribution of capacity building to driving that change. Viv is committed to actioning the rhetoric of sustainability and moving the discussion from what it is to how to make it happen on the ground. She strongly supports the contention that sustainable development means doing everything differently and it is her mission to help her clients make the transition to sustainability.

Viv has also been awarded a PhD in Planning from the University of Auckland for her research on institutionalising sustainable development as the guiding principle for public policy in New Zealand. In the past year Viv has joined forces with a UK-based company - Beyond Green.

*Being a Positive Deviant - Imagining a sustainable world is one thing - delivering it is a much more challenging proposition. Being a positive deviant requires us as a planning profession to think of EVERYTHING..somewhat...differently.*



## Steve Preston

While it may seem incongruent that an IT nerd would be presenting on effective communication, Stephen Preston has developed a significant background in this field and runs training courses on the Fundamentals of Communication and Leadership for many large companies throughout Wellington in his spare time. With a post-graduate diploma (hons) in Communication Management from Massey University, and having achieved the pinnacle award in Toastmasters International of "Distinguished Toastmaster", Stephen is both qualified and experienced in the field, and is delighted to be presenting a session on "*Changing perceptions and getting your message across - how to become a more effective communicator*". During this educational session he will be discussing tips and techniques for getting your message understood and acted upon, looking at important components such as context, purpose, preparation, structure, style, delivery and practice.

# speakers cont...



## James Lunday

James Lunday is a Landscape Architect and Urban Designer with over 30 years experience, James is the driving force behind Common Ground. Since forming Common Ground in 1992, he has built the company up to become a leader in economically feasible / socially inclusive development structures. His focus is on creating democratic and inspirational environments.

*The Ark—"Planners since the inception of the RMA have forgotten the basic roots of this Utopian profession. It is grounded in creating and reshaping our towns, cities and countryside to create fairer, healthier and wealthier societies. When did we lose this drive to create better societies and instead become keepers of a set of rules that have failed to deliver good townscape, safe environments, social equity and healthy economies. This is a challenge to the Planning profession to take up a leadership role in reshaping our towns, cities and our Nation to become the most livable, equitable and sustainable society in the world. A beacon of innovation and sustainable development, and a prime mover in delivering solutions to our society and in helping deliver affordable solutions in helping developing nations achieve more equitable and sustainable societies and economies."*



## Paul Turner

Paul Turner is an Urban Designer and Land Development Consultant with a background in Surveying. Paul studied at Otago University and is the sole Director of Landlink Ltd based in Waikanae. Paul's firm won the Gold Award of Excellence at the 2010 New Zealand Institute of Surveyors Awards for the design and implementation of a project involving a vineyard and residential development. Landlink is also undertaking detailed design on a 750 dwelling neighbourhood north of Waikanae incorporating a form based precinct code and innovative 'shared street' road design.

*Urban Design, Green Design and Sustainable Neighbourhoods - Paul is the first, and still the only, Registered Professional Surveyor to become a Green Star Accredited Professional through the New Zealand Green Building Council. Paul is to discuss trends in urban design, green buildings and sustainable neighbourhoods. He will also explain the concept behind a 'neighbourhood rating tool' a mechanism to design, assess and measure the sustainability and urban design of new and existing neighbourhoods. The use of this tool will assist with structure planning of new and existing neighbourhoods.*



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