



“Planning for Play” – Delivering Child-Friendly Environments

**University of Gloucestershire
(Oxstalls Campus, Gloucester)
Wednesday 3rd December 2008**

Thank you for attending this professional seminar event, organised in partnership between the Royal Town Planning Institute, the University of Gloucestershire, CABE, Play England and a host of other partners

The objective of the day is simple, to get professionals from ‘non-play’ backgrounds to ‘think play’ in how we design and shape our physical environments and to create a strong and healthy dialogue between playwork practitioners and those shaping our built environment.

From new residential developments through to highway design, from open space and recreation provision to development of travel plans we all have a part to play in helping children to unlock the real potential for play.

We will be considering

- *How play can be provided for - in a way that is much more than playgrounds or formal space*
- *How to engage effectively with children and young people in the planning process*
- *How we deliver Safer Routes to Play*
- *How other key design, transport and planning guidance can help speed up delivery in this area*
- *How planners, urban designers, architects, engineers and transport planners can all work together to make child-friendly environments happen*

Please take the opportunity to look at the exhibitions and pick up the guidance that will be available on the day. There will also be plenty of opportunity to network with professionals across disciplines to share ideas and best practice.

If you have any queries during the day please do not hesitate to contact either Jon Harris or Hilary Smith.

“Planning for Play” PROGRAMME

0930	Arrival and Tea/Coffee	
0945	Welcome and Introductions	<i>Mike Cogger</i> Dean of the Faculty of Sport, Health and Social Care University of Gloucestershire
0950	Session 1 - The ‘Play England’ Perspective <i>An introduction to Play England and the latest guidance and advice available</i>	<i>Steve Chown</i> Play England SW
1000	Session 2 – Creating Playable Space <i>CABE’s key role in Design and Delivery</i>	<i>Liz Hoehnke</i> Commission for Architecture & the Built Environment
1030	Session 3 – Planning for Places <i>How planners, engineers and transport planners can all help deliver Play Opportunities</i>	<i>Jon Harris</i> Royal Town Planning Institute
1100	Refreshments	
1120	Session 4 – An appreciation of the essential design features of play as the guiding principle for the design of children’s play space.	<i>Stuart Lester</i> University of Gloucestershire
1230	Lunch and Networking	
1330	Meet at Coach On – Coach Briefing followed by Site tours visiting: <i>Gloucester Park</i> <i>White City Adventure Playground</i> <i>Fieldcourt Drive Quedgeley</i> <i>Kingsway Urban Village</i> <i>with host professionals at each location to talk through the issues</i>	Group Facilitators: <i>Wendy Russell</i> <i>Stuart Lester</i> <i>Hilary Smith</i> <i>Francis Barton</i> <i>Dan Rees-Jones</i> <i>Steve Chown</i> <i>Felicity Sylvester</i>
1545	Lessons Learnt Feedback	Jon Harris
1600	The Challenge for Play and Planning <i>Lessons from Current Case Studies</i>	Felicity Sylvester
1630	Close	