

## **A South Wales and Bristol/the South West exchange of regeneration knowledge and best practice.**

CREW in association with Creating Excellence (SW) Ltd. are organising two one day seminars in Bristol and Newport which will consider regeneration issues of key relevance in the present political, economic, environmental and social context. The seminar will focus on needs and opportunities associated with the roles of the public and private sectors in delivering regeneration over the next five to ten years. These themes are:

**Bristol:** Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> of December 2011

- **The regeneration of town centres** and the current short and medium term challenges.
- **Transport connectivity and regeneration.**

**Newport:** Friday, 20 January 2012

- **The low-carbon retrofit of existing housing stock**, focusing on experience of the ARBED programme in Wales.
- **The refurbishment of pre-1919 housing/terraces**, and the challenges of retaining building envelopes, but with new thermal efficiency and maintaining 'sense of place'.

The venues are the Tobacco Factory in Bedminster, Bristol and the new Newport University campus alongside the river Usk. Both buildings are 'iconic regeneration structures', which are having a significant catalytic and beneficial regenerative affect on their immediate localities. The event will include the opportunity to hear more about the development of the venues and if time permits to also tour the buildings. It is hoped that delegates will attend both seminars. CREW and Creating Excellence are keen to promote cross-border dialogue to share best practice. However, single event attendance will also be highly beneficial, particularly for those seeking to learn about what is happening in adjacent regions. A discounted fee will be offered to delegates attending both events, who want to use this unique opportunity to network and 'exchange knowledge across the border'. Speakers at the two conferences will include representatives from the public and private sectors, the voluntary and academic sectors. The approach of the speakers will be interactive and particularly designed to facilitate an exchange of knowledge, which the two geographical locations and the relevant experience of delegates, can uniquely provide from 'both sides of the Severn'.

The fee for attending the two seminars will be £90 and a single seminar will be £50. The fee will include refreshments on arrival, throughout the day, and lunch. For the Bristol Conference, free transport between Bristol Temple Meads railway station and the Tobacco Factory will be provided.

### **Who should attend?**

- Central and local government representatives.
- Board members and officers from Housing Associations together with their professional advisors.
- Members of professional institutions and organisations, including regeneration practitioners with planning, surveying, architectural, urban design, housing, civil engineering, landscape architecture, transportation and community development backgrounds.
- Property developers, property managers and private sector regeneration consultancies.
- Students
- Representatives of trade bodies and organisations.

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