

Improving Scotland's Public Sector Estate

Wednesday 28th October 2009
Sheraton Grand Hotel, Edinburgh



Agenda

08:45 Registration and refreshments

09:25 Welcome and introduction by the Chair

Mark Stephen, Broadcaster, Nevismark Ltd

Session One: Assessing the condition of the public sector estate

Across Scotland there are a diverse range of assets under the ownership of local authorities, the NHS, education and the wider public sector. The state of these buildings varies between communities, with some excellent management, as well as much room for improvement. In this session we hear about the independent report into asset management in local councils and also Scottish Government policy, maintenance backlogs and the most important factor – the effect on service delivery.

09:35 Setting out the challenge for Scotland's councils and public sector

John Baillie, Chair, Accounts Commission

09:55 Asset and buildings management and Scottish Government policy

James Hynd, Deputy Director, Facilities and Estates Services, The Scottish Government

10:15 Maintenance management and the backlog challenge

Iain Murray, National Chair, British Institute of Facilities Management (BIFM)

10:30 Questions, debate and polling

10:55 Refreshments

Session Two: The financial challenge for the public sector estate

In the second session of the day we examine positive solutions to the economic and financial situation we all currently face and consider new and innovative funding solutions. We will also hear about the latest BSI standard relevant to estate and facilities management and consider the most important question of where to get the money for managing our buildings assets.

11:15 Life cycle costing and the new BSI standard

Dr Charles Whitlock, Programme Manager, Standards Development, BSI
and **Peter Mayer**, Representative, BSI

11:30 Adapting and rationalising: where do we find the money for delivering a better estate?

Alan Paul, Corporate Asset Manager, Asset & Facilities Management Services, Fife Council

11:45 A whole life cost approach to buildings maintenance and infrastructure

Professor John Kelly, Representative, Society of Construction and Quantity Surveying (SCQS)

12:00 Questions and debate

12:20 Lunch

Session Three: Strategies and Solutions 1: Co-location and space management

The challenge in Scotland is to maintain and improve our buildings management, deal with the issues in the face of a downturn and improve service delivery. In this session we examine some of the solutions to these challenges in terms of the use of space and buildings.

13:20 The Dalmellington Area Centre: realising the 'one public sector' vision

Irene Hall, Project Co-ordinator, East Ayrshire Council

13:35 The bottom line: space management and redesigning space

Philip Tidd, Managing Director, DEGW

13:50 Asset Management in Scotland's Public Sector

David Loudon, Associate, Currie & Brown UK Ltd

14:05 Questions and debate

14:25 Refreshments

Session Four: Strategies and Solutions 2: Partnership working and the way forward

To improve service delivery we need to work together to confront the challenges we face now and in the future. The entire public sector has a stake in pushing forward with the reform agenda, particularly in difficult times. Here we examine the vital function of partnership working across the public sector and the private sector - and look to what happens next.

14:45 The NHS Estates Strategy and the partnership approach

John Connolly, Principal Estates Advisor, Health Facilities Scotland (HFS)

15:00 Public-Private Partnerships: some lessons on what works and what doesn't

Brian Thompson, Partner, Strategic Consulting, Drivers Jonas

15:15 Questions, debate and polling

15:40 Summary and closing presentation by the Chair

15:50 Close of conference