



Events Programme 2019/20

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Welcome

We help our members plan, design, deliver and maintain well-designed places and spaces.

We do this by offering:

- Events
- Design Review
- Sourcebooks & Resources

This year's programme features over seventy training and networking events for your continual professional development.

To help you find the event best suited to your needs and interests, we have grouped the programme under five event series. You may want to attend an entire series, or create your own course of connected events across the programme.

We look forward to working with you again this year.

Interested in becoming a member?

Please get in touch to discuss our various membership options.

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Calendar 2019/20

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- Apr/19**
- 04/ Practitioners Network
 - 09/ London Plan EIP Watch
 - 10/ Delivering Good Design within a Street or Transport Project
 - 30/ Intensification Debate
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- May**
- 01/ Young Practitioners Network
 - 02/ What is Design & Why Does it Matter?
 - 07/ Learning From The Recent Past
 - 09/ DR Masterclass: Effective Management of Design Review*
 - 14/ Spaces to Play
 - 16/ Affordable Homes Masterclass*
 - 21/ EIP Matters
 - 23/ Understanding Plans & Drawings
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- Jun**
- 05/ Designing Liveable Neighbourhoods
 - 06/ Achieving Good Design Through Proactive Planning
 - 11/ Green Roofs & Walls
 - 13/ Councillors Network
 - 18/ Housing Design
 - 20/ Design Review Network
 - 25/ Cost Conscious Street Design
 - 26/ Affordable Homes Network
 - 27/ Applying the Small Sites Policy
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- Jul**
- 03/ Greening London: Tools & Data
 - 04/ Focus Group
 - 09/ Role of the London Street
 - 11/ Design, Design Scrutiny & Proactive Planning
 - 17/ DR Masterclass: Charing & Report Writing*
 - 18/ Design & the Historic Environment

- Sep**
- 04/ Learning From The Recent Past
 - 05/ Applying the Urban Greening Factor
 - 10/ Applying the Tall Building Policy
 - 11/ Young Practitioners Network
 - 12/ Design Details for Cycling
 - 17/ Councillors Network
 - 19/ Affordable Homes Masterclass*
 - 24/ Inclusive Design
 - 25/ DR Masterclass: Applying London Plan Policies
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- Oct**
- 01/ Bringing Active Travel to Life
 - 03/ Creating Design Codes & Masterplans
 - 08/ Focus Group
 - 10/ Greening the Grey
 - 15/ Safe Streets & Good Placemaking
 - 17/ Practitioners Network
 - 24/ The Circular Economy & Design
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- Nov**
- 05/ Good Growth by Design
 - 07/ Understanding Housing Typologies
 - 12/ Affordable Homes Masterclass *
 - 14/ How to Design a Community Green Space
 - 19/ Applying the Small Sites Policy
 - 20/ Design & Transport Infrastructure
 - 27/ Design Review Network
 - 28/ Affordable Homes Network
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- Dec**
- 03/ Public Space, Landscape & Street Design
 - 05/ Street Design Conundrums
 - 10/ Assessing the Design Quality of Housing Applications
 - 12/ Trees, Planning & Development

- Jan/20**
- 15/ Understanding Plans & Drawings
 - 16/ Applying the Tall Building Policy
 - 21/ Bus Streets
 - 23/ Focus Group
 - 28/ Intensification Debate
 - 30/ Green Infrastructure for Air Quality
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- Feb**
- 04/ Designing Liveable Neighbourhoods
 - 05/ Affordable Homes Masterclass *
 - 06/ Design Review Network
 - 11/ Viability & Development Finances
 - 13/ Housing Design
 - 26/ Young Practitioners Network
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- Mar**
- 03/ Modelling for All Modes
 - 04/ Councillors Network
 - 05/ Assessing the Design Quality of Housing Applications
 - 10/ How to Design Biodiversity
 - 11/ DR Masterclass: Applying London Plan Policies
 - 12/ Affordable Homes Network
 - 17/ Design Details for Cycling
 - 26/ Health & Design
 - 31/ Residential Street Design

Event Series

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* Additional costs may apply.

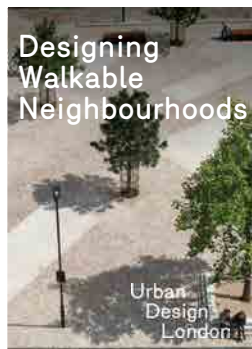
Our 2019/20 Sourcebooks

We are producing four sourcebooks this year, providing the latest guidance to help you achieve high quality design outcomes*.



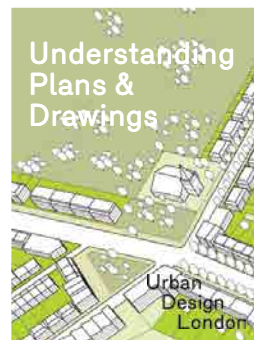
Practical guidance on scheme viability and how to deliver good design outcomes.

Useful guidance on how to ensure design quality at appeal.



Outlining the essential steps to ensure that a welcoming pedestrian experience is at the heart of neighbourhood design.

Helpful guidance on how to read plans and drawings.



Events Programme Series

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Introductory guidance on design in planning	
Plan London _____	8
Investigates the latest policy developments of the new London Plan	
Green London _____	10
Shines a much-needed spotlight on our important green spaces	
Travel London _____	12
Looks at how we move and connect across our city	
Network London _____	15
Brings people together to share ideas and best practice	

*Printed copies will be available for members at our events.



Your Design Companion

A series of introductory level sessions explaining what built environment related design is, why it matters and how we can all get involved and help deliver better design and great places.

What is Design & Why Does it Matter?

Looking at urban, landscape, highway, architectural and other design approaches and how they come together to influence people and places.

02/05/19

Understanding Plans & Drawings

Considering the various ways you can visually represent a scheme and how to assess projects that use different drawing styles.

23/05/19 & 15/01/20

Housing Design

Looking at the fundamentals of good housing design; considering the needs of residents and communities as well as the delivery of schemes.

18/06/19 & 13/02/20

Design & the Historic Environment

Understanding and applying the terms 'context' and 'significance' when managing heritage assets to create even better places.

18/07/19

Inclusive Design

Reviewing the concept of inclusiveness and discussing the role our built environment plays in accommodating for the diverse needs of the community.

24/09/19

Good Growth By Design

Understanding the concepts, tools and policies behind the role of design; and how design can support and deliver positive change in London.

05/11/19

Public Space, Landscape & Street Design

Discussing the important concepts and approaches relating to public realm design; using case studies that showcase best practice.

03/12/19

Health & Design

Presenting current research, actions, policies and tools that support health and wellbeing through design.

26/03/20



Sourcebook The Design Companion for Planning and Placemaking

To order a discounted copy of The Design Companion use the code COMPANION online at ribabookshops.com. Code is valid until 30 June 2019.

Sourcebook The Councillor's Companion for Design in Planning

The Councillor's Companion can be accessed on our website. A limited number of copies are available. If you would like a printed version email: info@designnetwork.com

Plan London

A series of events to help practitioners put into practice the design related policies, tools and approaches set out in the new London Plan.

Intensification Debate

Looking at the challenges and opportunities for different parts of the city to deliver higher density - from inner to outer boroughs.

30/04/19 & 28/01/20

Achieving Good Design Through Proactive Planning

Examining what the new London Plan expects in terms of character appraisals and identifying areas for change; and how best to do this work.

06/06/19

Applying the Small Sites Policy

Looking at how to assess, monitor and compare development proposals and implications for small site development in neighbourhoods.

27/06/19 & 19/11/19

Design, Design Scrutiny & Proactive Planning

A practical look at how to be proactive planners and how to ensure high design quality through planning.

11/07/19

Applying the Tall Building Policy

Looking at the new London Plan policies on tall buildings and how we assess them, considering pedestrian comfort and environmental impact.

10/09/19 & 16/01/20

Creating Design Codes & Masterplans

A practical session on how to use design codes, masterplans and other tools to support housing developments.

03/10/19

The Circular Economy & Design

Exploring how we can be more economically and environmentally sustainable through innovative design solutions and re-using resources.

24/10/19

Understanding Housing Typologies

Learning about the range of housing types and layouts such as age-friendly housing and micro-homes.

07/11/19

Assessing the Design Quality of Housing Applications

Looking at the new London Plan's housing targets, we will discuss how applications should be assessed to deliver well-designed homes.

10/12/19 & 05/03/20

Viability & Development Finances

Investigating recent policy and funding changes and looking at how these will impact borrowing potential and scheme viability.

11/02/20

Residential Street Design

Looking at the role of public space in residential areas and how to apply Healthy Street policies, and consider shared space issues.

31/03/20

EIP Matters

Aligned with the new London Plan Examinations In Public (EIP); these sessions will bring together industry leaders to discuss policy changes as they are happening.

1/ Delivering Good Design

07/03/19

2/ Green Infrastructure

09/04/19

3/ Transport & Parking

21/05/19

Affordable Homes Masterclasses*

This four-part series is for local authorities and housing associations involved in delivering and managing affordable homes.

16/05/19 & 19/09/19 & 12/11/19
05/02/20

*Additional fees apply.

Design Review Masterclasses*

Effective Management of Design Review

Sharing best practice on procurement use, quality control and monitoring of reviews.

09/05/19

Chairing & Report Writing

Looking at essential steps and mistakes to avoid when being a chair, and how to write clear, concise write-ups.

17/07/19

Applying London Plan Policies

Specifically for panel members and chairs to learn about new design and quality related policies and how to apply them at design reviews.

25/09/19 & 11/03/20

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Green London

A series looking at how our design processes can address the impact of climate change and deliver biodiverse spaces for people.



Spaces to Play

Understanding how to plan, design and deliver innovative play spaces as part of new medium and high density developments across the capital.

14/05/19

Green Roofs & Walls

With the expected launch of updated guidance on living roofs and walls in Spring 2019, we will consider the implications for new development proposals.

11/06/19

Greening London: Tools & Data

Understanding the tools and data required to determine green infrastructure needs including the green infrastructure focus map and the Heat Risk Tool.

03/07/19

Applying the Urban Greening Factor

Learning about this radical new London Plan policy, and how to apply it to a range of different development scales and contexts.

05/09/19

Greening the Grey

A first-hand look at some of the innovative integrated SuDs schemes found across the capital, many of which are funded by the Mayor's Greener City Fund.

10/10/19

How to Design a Community Green Space

Learning about small community projects and meanwhile schemes and how to successfully involve the community and access funding such as Community Green Space Grants.

14/11/19

Trees, Planning & Development

Best practice guidance and construction standards on trees, planning and development, including the current tree replacement policy.

12/12/19

Green Infrastructure for Air Quality

Investigating how green infrastructure can help to tackle air pollution using case studies from the Mayor's Air Quality Fund and Low Emission Neighbourhoods.

30/01/20

How to Design Biodiversity

A hands on session introducing the policy context to planning applications using online toolkits including Biodiversity and Net Gain guidance.

10/03/20



Sourcebook

Designing Rain Gardens: A Practical Guide

This guide provides information on how to design a rain garden in an existing street, and is available to download on our website.

Travel London

A series discussing the challenges faced by those involved in creating accessible, walkable neighbourhoods and the various approaches needed to deliver the Mayor's Transport Strategy.

Delivering Good Design within a Street or Transport Project

A look at the processes, skills and assessments that are needed to deliver a well designed street or transport project.

10/04/19

Role of the London Street

Reflecting on the role of our streets and how they should be managed and changed; we will also learn how to monitor and measure success.

09/07/19

Learning from the Recent Past

Guided site visits to first-hand see some recently completed schemes and look at how they work in practice, and what we can learn from them.

07/05/19 & 04/09/19

Design Details for Cycling

This two-part course will provide in-depth training on route planning, crossings and junction options plus other essential aspects.

12/09/19 & 17/03/20

Designing Liveable Neighbourhoods

Learning about the projects developed so far as part of the emerging Liveable Neighbourhood programme.

05/06/19 & 04/02/20

Bringing Active Travel to Life

Considering what designing to promote walking, cycling and public transport means in practice and how policies to promote this are changing.

01/10/19

Cost Conscious Street Design

A practical workshop looking at the relative costs of different design approaches, including street furniture and highway construction.

25/06/19

Safe Streets & Good Placemaking

An overview on how good design can help achieve Vision Zero and how to provide contextually appropriate hostile vehicle measures in sensitive public spaces.

15/10/19

Design & Transport Infrastructure

Looking at specific design issues around stations, bridges and interchanges and how these can be successfully integrated.

20/11/19

Bus Streets

Looking at the benefits and challenges buses bring to neighbourhoods; and how to make the most of their access and vibrancy.

21/01/20

Street Design Conundrums

Investigating current design issues on the street, including advertising and phone kiosks, electric vehicle charging points and level surfaces.

05/12/19

Modelling for All Modes

A fresh look at modelling and the role non-vehicular traffic modelling can play in creating more accessible and walkable neighbourhoods.

03/03/20





Network London

A series of networking events for those influencing and managing London's built environment to meet, share ideas and discuss best practice.

Practitioners Network

These sessions will bring practitioners together to share experiences and lessons learnt.

04/04/19 & 17/10/19

Focus Group

Topical get-together to discuss and learn about specific projects and policy developments.

04/07/19 & 08/10/19 & 23/01/20

Young Practitioners Network

For members in the first 10 years of their career; to meet and learn from other inspiring young practitioners.

01/05/19 & 11/09/19 & 26/02/20

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Design Review Network

For anyone involved in using, participating or managing design reviews to share ideas and updates.

Network events:

20/06/19 & 27/11/19 & 06/02/20

Masterclass events*:

09/05/19 & 17/07/19 & 25/09/19
11/03/20

Councillors Network

For any councillor who has an interest in placemaking and design; these sessions will include topical presentations and research.

13/06/19 & 17/09/19 & 04/03/20

Affordable Homes Network

For those involved in public housing delivery and management, to share ideas, lessons learnt and best practices.

Network events:

26/06/19 & 28/11/19 & 12/03/20

Masterclass events*:

16/05/19 & 19/09/19 & 12/11/19
05/02/20

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