



THE PRINCE OF WALES'S INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTURE

ACTION PLANNING FORUM

Learning the Lessons

How can Action Planning events be best followed up?

How can their effectiveness be assessed?

What back-up is needed at National level?

The first of a bi-monthly series of forums on Action Planning will focus on the inner city industrial area of Miles Platting in Manchester. A three-day Action Planning event was held there in January 1995, assisted by Business in the Community. Last month the team revisited the area to see what had been achieved in the intervening year.

CHAIRMAN:

Lee Mallet, Editor, Building Design

PANELLISTS:

Father Dominic Kirkham, Company Secretary, Miles Platting Community Enterprises

Sandy Schofield, Researcher, Manchester Metropolitan University

Nick Allen, Allen Tod Architects, Leeds

Aylin Orbasli, The Conservation Practice, London

Professor John Worthington, Institute of Advanced Architectural Studies, York

Thursday 14 March 1996

6.30 – 8.30pm

Admission is free, but please reserve a place in advance

Refreshments will be served, and the exhibition

Action Planning: a process that works will be on display

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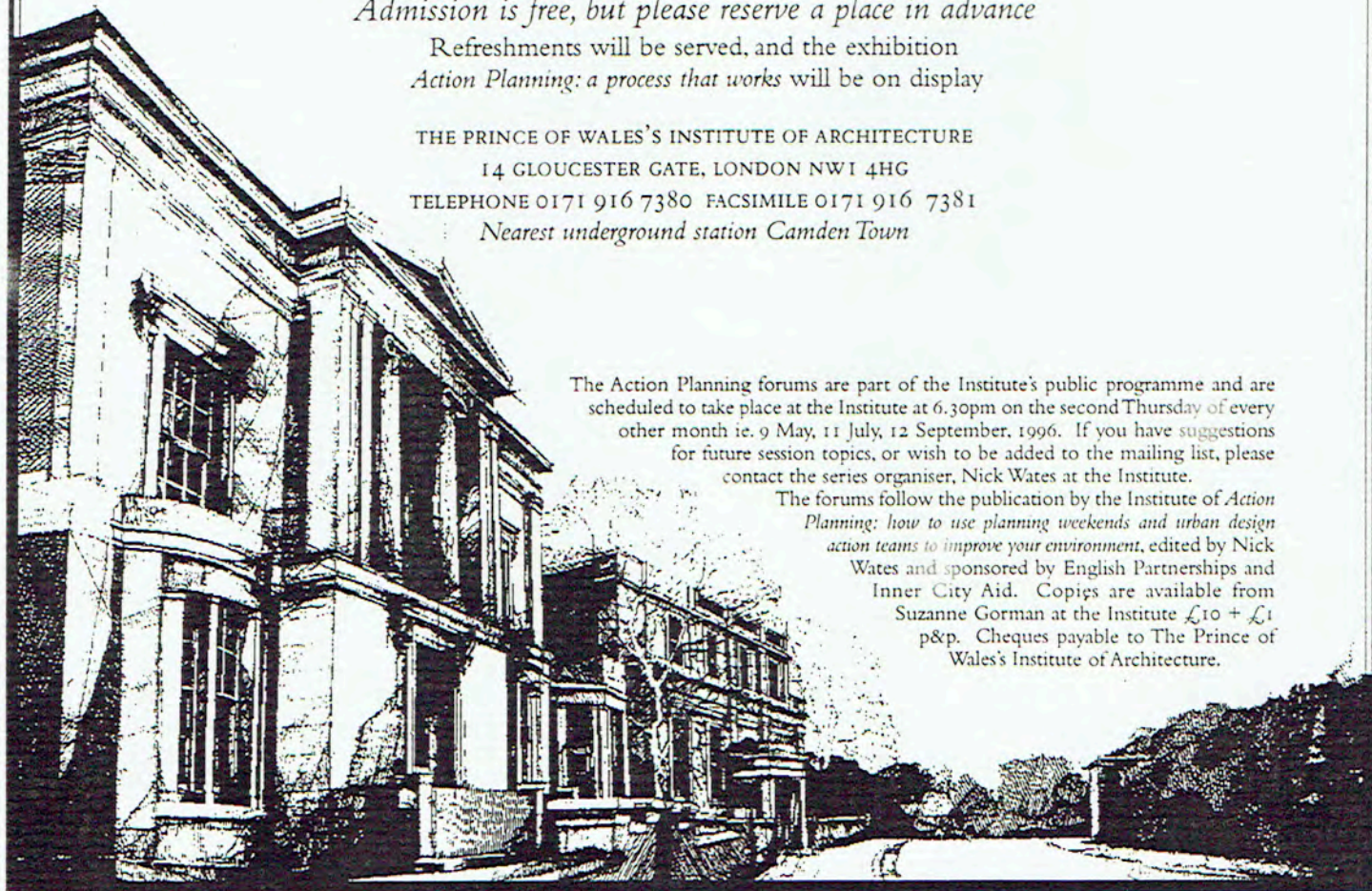
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The International Potential

Is Action Planning universally applicable?

How is it being applied overseas?

How does the process need to be adapted from country to country?

The second public forum will focus on Central and Eastern Europe. A five-day Planning Weekend is being held in the City of Prague in the Czech Republic at the end of April, organised by the Prince of Wales's Projects' Office. Participants in the event will present the results and discuss the implications for further international initiatives.

PANELLISTS:

Herbert Giradet, environmental writer and film-maker
Dr Brian Hanson, Director, The Prince of Wales's Projects Office
Trevor Osborne, Chairman, Urban Villages Forum
Ros Tennyson, Associate Director, Partnership Programme,
The Prince of Wales's Business Leaders Forum
John Thompson, Chairman, John Thompson and Partners

SERIES ORGANISER

Nick Wates, Senior Research Associate, The Prince of Wales's Institute of Architecture

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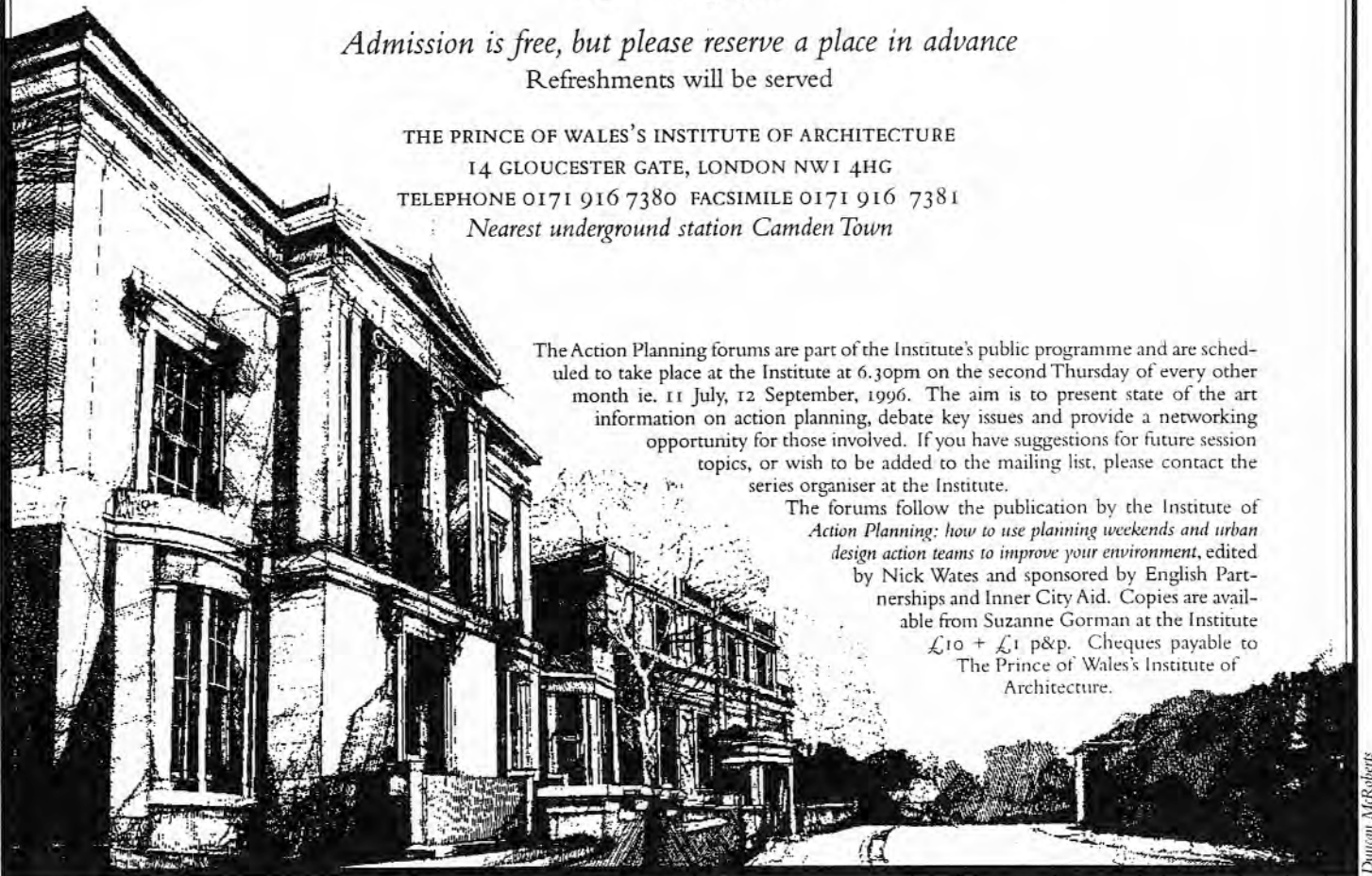
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From the margins to the mainstream

Should Action Planning be part of the local planning process?

If so, what kind and at what stages?

Is legislation or more guidance from government needed?

This third public forum will focus on the Urban Design Group's new initiative to organise eight pilot Urban Design Assistance Team events (UDATS) over the next three years. Details of the initiative will be outlined and debate invited on how to make the best use of the opportunity.

CHAIRMAN

Paul Finch, Editor, The Architects' Journal

PANELLISTS:

*Lesley Klein, Urban Regeneration Consultant, former Chief Executive,
Bethnal Green City Challenge*

David Pike, Planning Consultant, former Director of Planning, London Borough of Camden

Jon Rowland, Chairman, Urban Design Group

SERIES ORGANISER

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Thursday 11 July 1996

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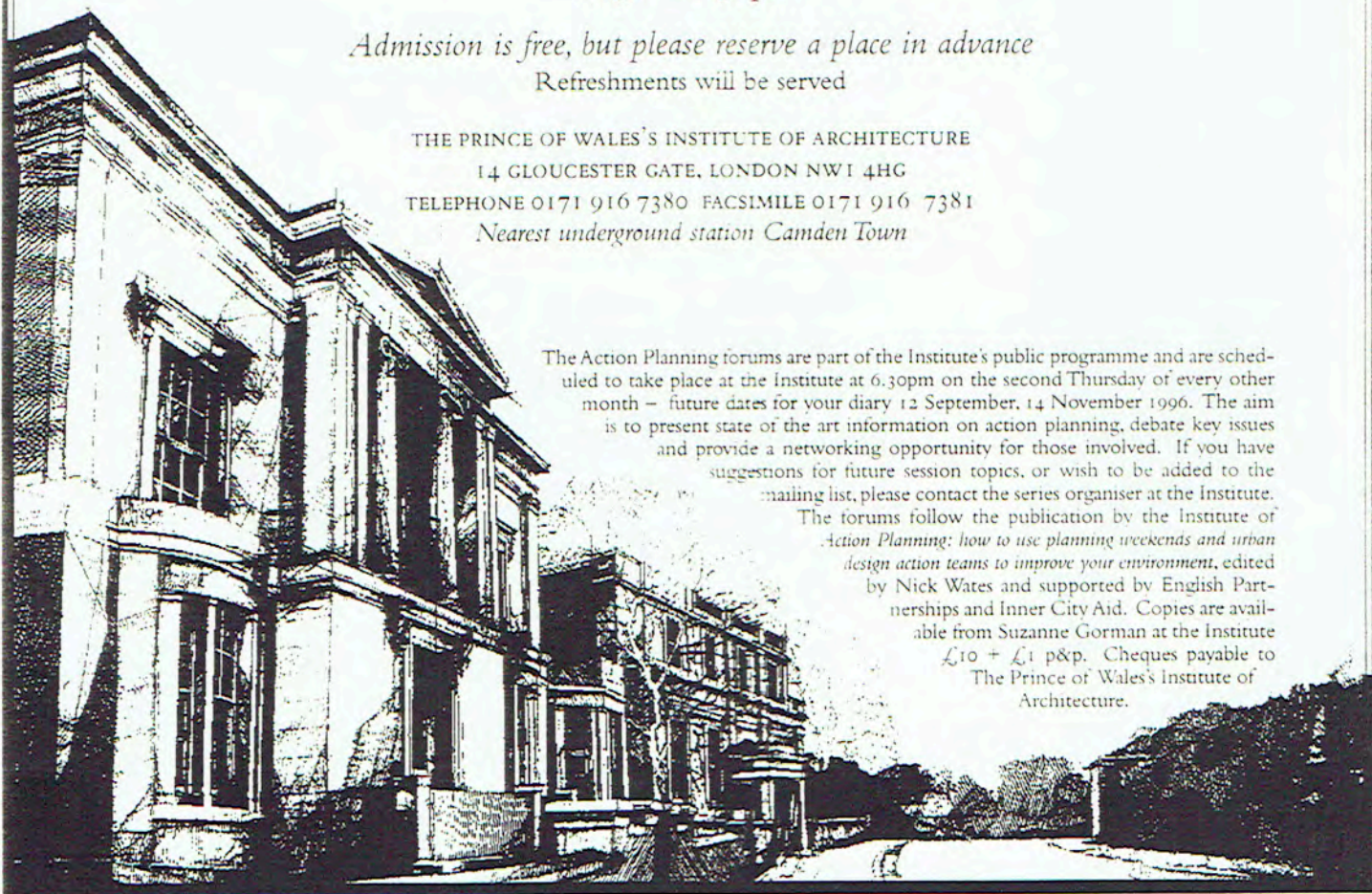
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ACTION PLANNING FORUM NO. 4

Education on the Streets

Can Action Planning events be educational for students as well as useful to the community? How much can student teams really achieve? Should Action Planning events be part of the curriculum?

Over the past few years the Prince of Wales's Institute of Architecture and Projects Office have organised an increasing number of urban design task forces and other action planning events with student teams. Slide presentations of events this summer in Potsdam, Germany and Richmond, USA will be followed by a debate.

Chairperson: Judith Marshall, Chair, Community Architecture Group, RIBA, Director, Pollard, Thomas and Edwards.

Panellists: Bob Fowles, Senior Lecturer, Welsh School of Architecture, Chair of RIBA Community Architecture Education Group

Stephen Couling, Administrator for The Prince of Wales's Projects Office Urban Design Task Force in Potsdam

Dr Richard John, Director, The Prince of Wales's American Summer School

Plus past task force students including Julian Self, Abd Al Halim Orr, Andrew Kunz and Shane Kindschi.

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Thursday November 14 1996, 6.30 - 8.30 PM

Venue: 14 Gloucester Gate, NW1.

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COMMUNITY DESIGN FORUMS



From Participatory Learning and Action; a trainer's guide, Jules Pretty et al, IIED 1995

PARTICIPATORY LEARNING & ACTION

6.30^{PM} THURSDAY 6 FEBRUARY

Led by Jules Pretty, Visiting Professor at the University of Essex, and Fellow of the International Institute for Environment and Development.

Valuable pioneering work in participatory processes is taking place in diverse agricultural communities in many developing countries. What exactly is happening? What relevance does it have for Community Development practice in the UK? Jules Pretty will present recent evidence and show slides of successes in Africa, Asia and Latin America and then conduct practical group exercises on mapping and matrices to allow participants to experience some of the methods for themselves. This will be followed by general debate.

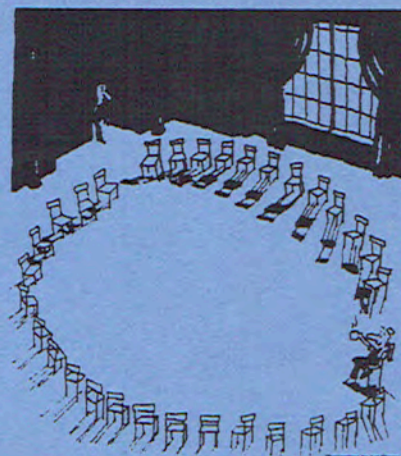
OPEN SPACE WORKSHOP

6.30^{PM} THURSDAY 6 MARCH

Led by Romy Shovelton, Director of Wikima Consulting, consultants in organisational and community change.

Open space technology is an intriguing new approach for creating high energy participation and commitment to action through the self management of groups of any size from 5 to 500 people. How does it work? Can it be used for involving communities in Urban Design?

Romy Shovelton will provide a hands on taster by facilitating an Open Space session on the theme: 'What are the issues and opportunities facing Community Planning?'



From The New York Times, 5th June 1994

Venue:

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FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

THURSDAY 1 MAY

THURSDAY 5 JUNE



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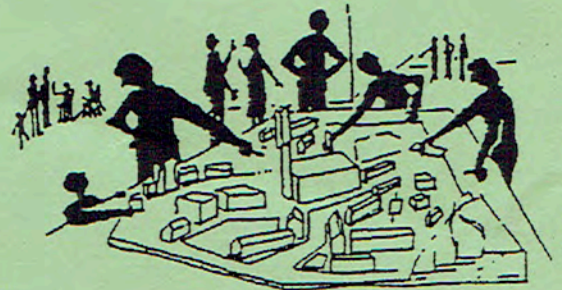
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Planning for Real

THURSDAY 8 MAY, 6.30PM

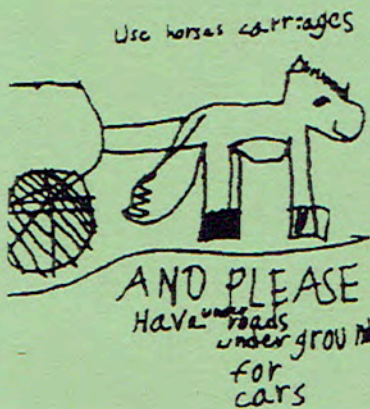
(NB Change of date from 1 May due to election)

Led by Margaret Wilkinson,
Community Development Fieldworker,
Neighbourhood Initiatives Foundation, Telford.



The original 'Planning for Real', using 3D flexible models, is the best known and most eye catching method for involving people in designing their own environment. The Neighbourhood Initiatives Foundation now exports the colourful kits throughout the world. But how is the original concept being adapted in the light of two decades of experience and competition from other methods? Margaret Wilkinson will lead a hands-on workshop using a 3D model to explain how the process works and facilitate a debate on its future development and potential.

Community Visioning THURSDAY 5 JUNE, 6.30PM



From 'Sustainable Gloucestershire', 1996

Led by Perry Walker,

Centre for Community Visions, New Economics Foundation.

How can communities best create and then realise visions for their future? The Centre for Community Visions has researched and written up a variety of new techniques, many emanating from the United States. As an introduction to the potential, Perry Walker will show a 10-minute video of a Future Search event in Nottingham. He will then lead a discussion on how participants might choose and use techniques for and in their own community or the communities with which they work.

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THURSDAY 30 OCTOBER 1997 AT 6.30PM

Action Planning on a Website

Marcus Laphorn, Oxford City Centre Manager

Catherine Tranmer, Resources Editor, Resource for Urban Design Information

Roger Evans, Roger Evans Associates and Chairman, Urban Design Group

Can Websites provide a new way for people to get involved in shaping their neighbourhoods? A pilot exercise was undertaken this summer as part of an innovative initiative to involve the public in developing an urban design strategy for the Oxpens Quarter of Oxford City Centre. Speakers will outline the nature and results of the initiative and lead a debate on its implications. The presentation will include an on-line demonstration. To explore the Website in advance:

<http://rudi.herts.ac.uk/>

THURSDAY ^{20 NOVEMBER} ~~30 OCTOBER~~ 1997 AT 6.30PM

Communities Online

David Wilcox, Director, UK Communities Online

How can the Internet be used for involving people in urban design? David Wilcox, one of the leading authorities on the use of information technology in community development will explore the emerging possibilities with on-line sessions. To explore the Communities Online Website in advance:

www.communities.org.uk

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Series coordinator:

Nick Wates: 01424 813970

Feel free to contact Nick Wates with suggestions for future forums.



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David Wilcox, Director, UK Communities Online

David Wilcox will explore how new communication technologies like the Internet may assist in building partnerships and community participation necessary for effective urban design and regeneration.

He will be very interested to discuss - with online examples - how the practices of real world design may hold lessons for development of the virtual towns, digital cities and electronic villages now under construction on the World Wide Web.

David spent over 10 years as a journalist - mainly as planning correspondent on the London Evening Standard - before working as a consultant and trainer in regeneration projects. He is now developing a Government-backed campaign for UK Communities Online to promote the use of new technologies in local communities.

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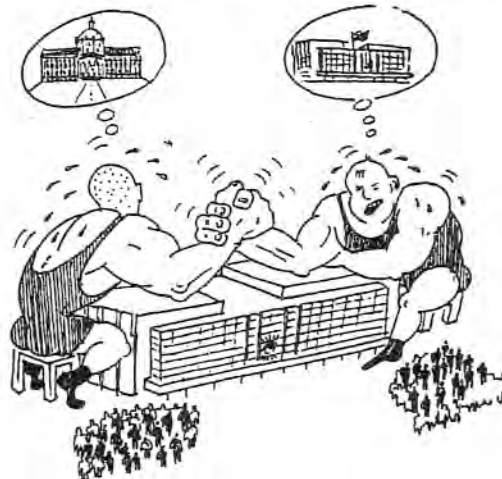
Community Design Forums

12 February 1998

John Thompson

Action Planning for Reconciliation

The ability of community planning to develop a consensus approach out of conflict. A review of recent action planning events facilitated by John Thompson & Partners in Berlin, Belfast and Beirut.



12 March 1998

Richard John

Taming the Motor City

The Prince of Wales's Summer School offers hands-on experience of how to use techniques of community planning and urban design to tackle the real problems faced by cities. Its director reports on a project undertaken in 1997 in El Cerrito, California.



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Thursday 4 June 1998 at 6.30pm **Open House**

What is the future for community planning and design?
What new initiatives are needed?
An opportunity to debate current and proposed activities.
Panel, debate, exhibition material.

Issues to be covered include:

DEVELOPMENT BRIEFS

How communities can prepare their own briefs for development sites.

*Presented by Rob Cowan and members of
Grove Vale Renewal Forum.*

BACK TO SCHOOL

The use of schools as a resource in the community and architects as a resource for schools.

*Presented by Bob Brown and Patrick Hammill of
Levitt Bernstein.*

Exhibits will include:

TWYFORD URBAN DESIGN CAMPAIGN and
WOKINGHAM TOWN CENTRE STRATEGY
from Stephen Heathcote

TOWARDS A COMMUNITY PLANNING HANDBOOK
from Nick Wates

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