



Wednesday, November 8th 2023, Tower Hotel, Waterford

6.00pm: Registration & Networking with Finger Food, Tea & Coffee.

6.30pm: WELCOME ADDRESS

- **Joanne Treacy**, Head of Services, CIF Southern Region
- **Leonard Daly**, Chairman, Construction Industry Federation, South East Branch

HOUSING & PLANNING IN THE SOUTH EAST REGION

6.40pm: Analysis of the South East Housing Market

- **Regina Mangan**, Managing Director, Liberty Blue Estate Agents

7.00pm: PANEL DISCUSSION

Planning & Development in the South East Region

- **Anthony Neville**, Managing Director of Anthony Neville Homes Ltd
- **Conor O'Connell**, Director of Housing & Planning, CIF
- **Regina Mangan**, Managing Director, Liberty Blue Estate Agents
- **Ian Doyle**, Planning Consultant
- **Kieran Kehoe**, Director of Planning, Waterford City & County Council.

7:35pm – 7:45pm Tea & Coffee

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7:45pm THE CHANGING PUBLIC PROCUREMENT MARKET

Our expert panel will discuss a number of key changes that will affect construction companies when tendering for public work going forward including the introduction of price variation clause, Mandatory introduction of BIM and tracking of embodied carbon.

- **Stefan Matthews**, Technical Manager for the Department of Education Planning and Building Unit
- **Alison Irving**, Executive CIF, Barrister-at-Law; CI Arb Accredited Mediator
- **Leonard Daly**, CIF South East Branch Chairman & Commercial Director, Mythen Construction.
- **Charles Mitchell**, Senior Quantity Surveyor/Construction Adviser, Office of Government Procurement (OGP)

UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND OUTPUT IN THE SOUTH EAST REGION

8:15pm The Development of Waterford's North Quays

- **Mark Phelan**, Construction Director, BAM
- **Sean Dobbs**, Senior Engineer | Economic Development – Projects, Waterford City & County Council.

8:35pm Update on Current and Future Projects in the South East.

- **Niall Harrington**: Partner, Fewer Harrington

8:50pm SETUs Capital Investment Plans and role in education the construction industries future workforce

- **Professor Veronica Campbell**, President, SETU

09:05pm Closing Remarks

- **Joe Conway**, President, Construction Industry Federation (CIF)



SPEAKER PROFILES:



Regina Mangan – Managing Director, Liberty Blue Estate Agents

Regina Mangan is the founder and Managing Director of leading independent property sales and letting firm Liberty Blue Estate Agents. In 1997 Regina established Waterford's first Property Letting and Management Company, Bookaroom. The company expanded into property sales in 2015 and rebranded to Liberty Blue Estate Agents. Regina is a licenced European Property Valuer (TEGoVA) auctioneer and member of The Institute of Professional Auctioneers and Valuers (IPAV). Regina has held voluntary roles such as Ambassador for Waterford City, member of the LEO grant evaluation committee, former Board member of South East Simon.



Anthony Neville, MD, Anthony Neville Homes

Anthony Neville has been involved in the construction industry since 1989. Since that time Anthony has been involved in the Construction, Sale and Handover of nearly 2000 residential units in Wexford, Dublin, Kildare, Belfast, and London.

In 2008, Anthony set up Anthony Neville Homes Ltd and to date has had a very successful launch of a number of developments. Anthony brings his wealth of experience to a number of committees related to the Construction Industry. Anthony is a past Chairman of the South East Branch of the Construction Industry Federation (CIF), the CIF representative on Wexford County Councils Planning & Building Control Strategic Policy Committee and former Chairman of the Irish Homebuilders Association (IHBA). He also sits on a number of CIF Committees

including: CIF National Executive Body, Audit & oversight Committee, and Taxation, Investment, Finance / Funding and Public Spending Sub-Committee.



Conor O'Connell, Director of Housing & Planning, Construction Industry Federation of Ireland (CIF)

Conor O'Connell, Director of Housing & Planning joined the CIF in 2001 and is an experienced advocate for the sector. Conor has worked extensively on housing supply policy issues for several years including drafting Local Authority Development Plan submissions, stakeholder engagement with elected officials and public officials, drafting reports on Apartment Viability, media engagement at a local and national level, representing the industry at Oireachtas Committee Hearings, writing op-eds for national publications on housing supply and managing a regional Branch network of members.

More recently Conor leads up the provision of services to members of the Irish Home Builders Association nationally. The Irish Home Builders Association is the representative body for the builders of residential homes throughout Ireland.

Conor holds qualifications in Real Estate Economics and Finance as well as Law, Business and HR.



Niall Harrington – Partner, Fewer Harrington

Niall has over 25 years of experience in Architecture, working in both Ireland and the UK. After his studies in Waterford in 1987, Niall worked on the conversion of a Norman Keep private residence on a 400-acre island into what is now Waterford Castle Island Resort. In 1988 Niall travelled to London and worked for 5 years with Chapman Taylor working on a number of high profile shopping centres and office developments throughout London and the UK.

In 1998 following his return to Ireland, Niall established his own architectural practice, HRM Architects. In 2003 Niall merged his practice with then Fewer McGinley and formed what is now Fewer Harrington and Partners, one of Ireland's largest and best known Architectural practices.

Based in the South East of Ireland, the practice has expanded and currently has offices in Dublin, Warsaw and Riyadh.

As the managing partner, Niall has been responsible for urban design and master planning projects in Europe and North Africa, working closely with clients on large commercial schemes, such as the new urban master plan of the Czosnow Community just outside Warsaw in Poland, the mixed-use Town Centre Scheme for Banbury in the UK, and the new Artefacts Museum Campus at Lagos University, Nigeria.

Niall's diverse and wide range of design experience and completed projects include domestic extensions, one-off houses, mixed-use, retail, commercial, leisure, education and healthcare projects ranging from €100,000 to €40 million. It is the architectural diversity and challenges of these varying projects that keep his design grounded and his ideas and inventions fresh.



Alison Irving, Executive at CIF; Barrister-at-Law; CI Arb Accredited Mediator

Alison has been with the CIF since 2013 and has been the Secretary of the Civil Engineering Contractors Association (CECA) since 2016. She is also a CIF representative on the Liaison Committee. Alison provides her expertise to members on issues relating to public prequalification, tendering, contractual matters and disputes amongst other matters. She has a Bachelor of Laws degree, a Masters' degree in Criminal Justice and was called to the Bar of Ireland in 2014.



Joe Conway, President, Construction Industry Federation of Ireland (CIF)

Joe Conway is a Business Development Manager with Dornan Engineering, who worked overseas with Kentz, in the African countries of Lesotho, South Africa & Botswana 1983-1997 and has worked in Ireland since his return in 1997. He has over forty years' experience in the construction industry, working on mining, oil & gas industries while overseas and since his return has been involved in the pharmaceutical, datacentre and heavy industrial and commercial projects in Ireland, and served as Vice President and President of the Electrical Contractors Association (ECA) and remains active on the ECA I.R. Committee and is also a member of the CIF Cork Branch Executive.



Mark Phelan, Construction Director at BAM Ireland

A native of Waterford, Mark has worked for Bam for over 30 years. Mark has worked extensively overseas and is now a Construction Director on the Waterford North Quays Project.



Leonard Daly, Chairman, Construction Industry Federation, South East Branch,

Leonard, a native of Kilmacow, Co.Kilkenny is a Commercial Director with Mythen Construction Ltd. Over the last 30 years Leonard has worked on numerous many large-scale construction projects within the South East area. He is a Chartered member of both the Society of Chartered Surveyors Ireland & International Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors. He is also a Qualified project Manager and member of the Chartered Institute of Builders. Leonard is also a member of CIF Procurement, Tendering and Contractual matters.



Prof Veronica Campbell – President SETU

Veronica has held several senior leadership roles in Trinity College Dublin, including Dean of Graduate Studies and Bursar & Director of Strategic Innovation; in the latter role from 2015 to 2021 Prof Campbell oversaw the commencement of a €300M capital project portfolio in the university.

Prof Campbell currently serves on the Board of the Atlantic Institute, based in Oxford University, and was the inaugural chair of the Global Brain Health Institute of Trinity College and UCSF. She is a former President of the Royal Academy of Medicine in Ireland (Biomedical Sciences Section).



Stefan Mathews, Technical Manager for the Department of Education Planning and Building Unit

Stefan's role involves the delivery of the DoE's Capital Building Programme. His team have a particular focus to ensure school buildings are designed and delivered as part of the multiple delivery streams which form part of the DoE's ongoing commitment to the delivery of works to existing buildings and new building projects. The DoE's Capital Programme of delivery is in response to the National Development Plan 2021 – 2030 which adds Capacity/Modernising Accommodation throughout the school system.



Sean Dobbs – Senior Engineer, Economic Development – Projects, Waterford City & County Council

Sean is a Chartered Engineer with over 25 years' experience and joined the Council's Economic Development team in 2022 as Senior Engineer, responsible for the delivery of urban and rural regeneration projects in the city & county. Prior to this, Sean managed the delivery of infrastructure projects for local authorities in the South East through planning, design, procurement and construction phases.



Charles Mitchell, Senior Quantity Surveyor/Construction Adviser, Office of Government Procurement (OGP)

Charles Mitchell is the Senior Quantity Surveying Technical Advisor to the Office of Government Procurement and a Government observer to the Agreed Rules of Measurement (ARM) Committee. Charles is a Fellow of the Society of Chartered Surveyors Ireland (SCSI) and the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). Currently he is a representative to the Standard Setting Committee of the International Cost Management Standards (ICMS) which provides reporting standards for Capital Expenditure, Operational Expenditure and Embodied Carbon in Construction. He was also a lecturer in TUDublin, specialising in Quantification and Costing of construction project, and Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)



Kieran Kehoe, Director of Planning, Waterford City & County Council.

After Graduating from UCD in 1994 with a degree in Engineering Kieran commenced work in the Construction Industry as a steelwork Design Engineer before progressing to the role of Project Manager with responsibility for projects ranging from €100K to €10M in Ireland, UK and Middle East.

In 2002 Kieran started with Laois County Council as an Executive Engineer in Water Services and progressed to Senior Executive Officer with responsibility for Planning & Economic Development. In 2012 he was appointed Director of Service in Laois County Council with responsibility for Planning, Economic Development, Roads & Transportation, H&S, Emergency Services and Portlaoise Town Manager.

In February 2019 Kieran was appointed Director of Service with Waterford City & County Council with responsibility for Corporate Services, Culture, HR, IS and Dungarvan Town Manager and in March 2022 he also took on responsibility for Planning.

Kieran has led the Local Authority sector in response to such issues as Unfinished Housing Estates, Road Opening licence standardisation through the Joint Utility Local Authority Forum and more recently in relation to the new Planning Act, Planning Fees Review, National Planning Framework review, Planning Resources Review Group and Sustainable and Compact Settlements - Guidelines for Planning Authorities.



Joanne Treacy, Head of Southern Region Services, Construction Industry Federation (CIF)

An experienced Construction Industry professional, Joanne joined the CIF in 2022. With in excess of 15 years' industry knowledge, Joanne holds qualifications in HR, leadership, health and safety and HSQE auditing. Having worked as a HR Manager for a large construction and engineering company spanning Ireland and the UK, her skills include policy development and implementation, employee and industrial relations, organisational change, craft and professional apprenticeship training, and CPD.

Joanne brings her expertise, experience and knowledge to CIF members servicing the Cork, South East, Mid West and Kerry branches. She is responsible for providing advice and support to the CIF members within the Southern Region, maximising engagement with stakeholders and ensuring member interests are represented on regional committees, state agencies and local authorities.

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