

CONFERENCE 2021
Monday 7th June
Climate Emergency and Sustainability

Morning Sessions

9.00-9.10 am ... Conference Opening and Welcome

- Julie Welsh - Chief Executive, Scotland Excel

9.10-9.30 am ... Tackling the Climate Emergency : Delivering Dundee City Council's Climate Action Plan

- Councillor Mark Flynn, Convener of City Development, Dundee City Council

Scottish Government has set a target for net zero emissions by 2045, with the aim of ending our contribution to Climate Change within a generation. Councillor Flynn will outline Dundee's approach to climate change and share information on the Council's Climate Action Plan, which focuses on 4 strategic themes; Energy, Transport, Waste and Resilience. The culmination of collaborative work led by Dundee City Council and co-designed with public, private and community organisations, the Climate Action Plan recognises that a concerted city-wide effort is required to reach the 2045 net zero targets.

10.00-10.30 am ... Scottish Procurement Climate Forum

- Angus Warren - Chief Executive, Advanced Procurement for Universities and Colleges

The Procurement Climate Forum has been tasked with instigating a step change, focussing on 'what' we buy and 'how much' we buy as well as 'how' we buy, to meet government targets and aspirations to tackle Climate Change. Angus Warren will provide an update on the activity of the Forum over the last year.

11.00-11.30 am ... Zero Waste Scotland

- Iain Gulland - Chief Executive, Zero Waste Scotland

Local government has a critical role to play in building a sustainable recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic. Zero Waste Scotland chief executive Iain Gulland will explain how his organisation is supporting and working with local government to implement the changes that will help us achieve this.

11.45-12.15 pm ... H2 Aberdeen - a Pioneering Hydrogen City

- Angela Scott - Chief Executive, Aberdeen City Council

Angela Scott will discuss H2 Aberdeen, an initiative working to support the transition of the city's energy system to renewables and low carbon energy solutions, in support of Aberdeen's Net Zero Vision. Utilising the city and its institutions as an anchor of demand, innovation is being sought through procurement, working with public and private sector stakeholders to develop a commercially viable 'Hydrogen Hub' in the city to deliver long-term, sustainable solutions.

The morning sessions are relevant for all attendees across the public sector.

Afternoon Sessions

1.30-2.20 pm ... Driving Quality and Skills within the Energy Efficiency Industry to help transition Scotland to Net Zero (Panel Discussion)

- **Kelly Nugent - Senior Procurement Specialist, Scotland Excel**
- **Ian Cuthbert - Energy Efficient Scotland Delivery Unit, Scottish Government**
- **John Renwick – Sector Manager – Construction, Energy Skills Partnership**

Given the scale of challenge on Scotland to meet its net zero targets by 2045 we need to focus on the quality and skills that are required to attain our objective. This session will discuss the importance of developing qualification pathways for low carbon heat and energy efficiency measures within the sector while growing the supply chain significantly over the coming years.

3.00-3.50 pm ... Net Zero Emissions in the Built Environment (Panel Discussion)

- **Billy Murray - Procurement Development Manager, Scotland Excel**
- **Richard Lockhart - Associate Director to Scottish Futures Trust**
- **Calum Murray - Director, CCG (Scotland) Limited**

The Scottish Government committed to all buildings in Scotland being net zero emissions by 2045 and we need to work now to make it happen. In this session our panel will discuss the challenges faced when delivering Net Zero Emissions in the Built Environment whilst showcasing real life examples of the work that is already underway to help us achieve it.

4.00-4.30 pm ... Sustainable Homes for the Future – Passivhaus

- **Caitriona Jordan - Future Skills Manager, Construction Scotland Innovation Centre**
- **James M Brown - Director - Business Development, Stewart & Shields Limited**
- **Claire Hosie - Business Co-ordinator and Gary Cowan - Technical Assistant, Ashleigh (Scotland) Limited**

Passivhaus delivers both energy efficient and environmentally friendly buildings reducing their carbon footprint. Passivhaus buildings are created to rigorous energy efficient design standards to deliver comfort for their residents, reduce fuel costs and eliminate retrofit costs.

This session will hear from Stewart & Shields and Ashleigh on their experiences of delivering Passivhaus in Scotland.

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The afternoon sessions are relevant for attendees in the construction and housing sectors.

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