



# Conservation Areas -

A seminar highlighting issues about Conservation Areas within a city or village (designated to protect the historic places we hold most special) and a unique opportunity to ask professionals all your questions.

**Saturday 26 June 2010** at 9.00 for 9.30am

Centre for Mathematical Sciences, Wilberforce Road, Cambridge CB3 0WA

## PROGRAMME

- 9.00** Registration
- 9.30** **Welcome by Chair - Prof Peter Landshoff**  
(Chair East of England Civic Societies & Vice Chair of RSA East of England Region)
- 9.35** **Introduction to Conservation Areas and Planning**  
John Preston (Historic Environment Manager, Cambridge City Council)
- 10.15** **English Heritage, Policies and Guidance**  
David Grech (Historic Areas Adviser, English Heritage)
- 10.55** **Trees in Conservation Areas**  
Diana Oviatt-Ham (Principal Arboricultural Officer, Cambridge City Council)
- Break** - coffee or soft drinks & biscuits (donations welcome)
- 11.55** **Historic Environment & Climate Change issues**  
Oliver Caroe (Caroe Architecture Ltd & Associate of Cambridge Architectural Research)
- 12.25** **What can we do? Civic Societies, Residents Associations and others**  
Carolin Göhler (CEO, CambridgePPF)
- 12.40** **Open Discussion & Summary**  
Prof Peter Landshoff
- 13.00** **Lunch** – please pre-book and pay for your sandwich lunch with soft drink – details as below
- 14.00** **Guided walk around the Centre of Mathematical Sciences**
- 15.00** Award winning building complex located within Cambridge's West Central Conservation Area

**Free seminar** – but if you wish to attend this event, **please book in advance**: URGENTLY e-mail [gladys.jones@virgin.net](mailto:gladys.jones@virgin.net) with your name, organisation, email and postal address, phone number, whether you need **lunch (£8.50)**, a parking space and any special requirements. If you have no email, contact Nigel Bell at CambridgePPF - tel: 01223-243830. **Complete booking form right at end.**



**Background:** “For 40 years England’s 9,300 conservation areas have been helping to preserve the special character of the nation’s best-loved places – not only at the heart of our historic cities and market towns, but in the suburban neighbourhoods, former industrial quarters and rural villages that together give this country its extraordinary and irreplaceable distinctiveness. But alongside the many success stories there are more serious causes for concern. As English Heritage’s new national survey shows, 1 in every 7 conservation areas is now believed to be at risk of permanent decline unless urgent steps are taken to stop the rot.” (ref: English Heritage 2009)

Find out more about English Heritage’s Campaign and how to help a conservation area near you.

## Location of venue:

**Centre for Mathematical Sciences [CMS],** Wilberforce Road, Cambridge CB3 0WA

**Entrance to CMS via No 4 on “Local Plan”** - please see: <http://www.cms.cam.ac.uk/visiting/>

**Lecture Theatre and toilet facilities are located in the basement.**

**Cycle parking:** at gate house along footpath between Wolfson Court and Centre for Mathematical Sciences

**Car parking:** limited along local side streets (best Wilberforce Road) or use car park within site if open; use Madingley Park & Ride and nearest P&R stop along Madingley Road

**Disabled access:** limited car parking spaces available within the grounds of CMS; please advise registration team of any special needs and access requirements.

## Lunch

Prepared by local catering company – mixed sandwich (incl vegetarian), sausage rolls, chocolate brownies and mixed fruit; soft drinks included: **total £ 8.50 per person.**

**Also available:** Gluten-free/ Vegetarian or Vegan meals – at same price.

**Please book and pay via cheque in advance to arrive no later than Wed 23 June 2010 – please complete the booking form right at end of this document.**

Or bring your own lunch.

Other lunch opportunities – 15-20 min walk to historic city centre or use Park & Ride bus.

## Notes on the Speakers

**Prof Peter Landshoff** – he retired in 2004 as Professor of Mathematical Physics at the University of Cambridge and continues to work on projects on transport data, pollution monitoring and the construction industry. He chaired the 2007 investigation into lessons to be learnt from the development of Cambourne.

Had a leading role in design and build of the Centre for Mathematical Sciences, Millennium Mathematics Project and Cambridge eScience Centre. Peter is Chair of CambridgePPF’s Planning Committee as well as Vice Chair of RSA East of England Region. Contact: [P.V.Landshoff@damtp.cam.ac.uk](mailto:P.V.Landshoff@damtp.cam.ac.uk)

**John Preston** – is Historic Environment Manager for Cambridge. After studying Architecture and Art History at Cambridge, he worked as a planner in Suffolk; working with timber-framed buildings led him to specialise in conservation. In the 1980s, he helped to set up the Cambridgeshire Architecture Workshop taking architects into schools, and in efforts to set up a Heritage Education Centre in Cambridge. He has worked for Cambridge City Council for nearly 20 years, and now manages the conservation and tree teams. He has been promoting conservation at national level for over 20 years, first with the Association of Conservation Officers and now as Education Secretary for the Institute of Historic Building Conservation. Published papers include “*The Context for Skills Education and Training*”. Contact: [john.preston@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:john.preston@cambridge.gov.uk)

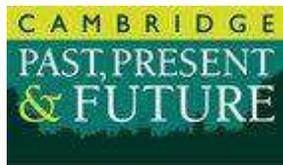
**David Grech** – is a qualified architect who, after 25 years working in both the public and private sectors, has chosen to concentrate his career on the historic environment. After graduating from Nottingham University, David initially worked in private practice on the Welsh borders then spent four years as a lecturer at the Welsh School of Architecture at Cardiff University before moving back into practice in Cumbria. In 1996 he took a two month sabbatical to walk from Beachy Head in Sussex to St Bees Head in Cumbria, sketching the vernacular architecture encountered en-route and tracing the changes in the underlying geology through the building materials used in their construction. This sabbatical was the catalyst to refocusing his career on the historic environment and, following the completion of a post-grad diploma in Building Conservation, in 2003 he moved to Cambridge to become a Principal Conservation Officer at South Cambridgeshire District Council. In 2008 David was appointed Historic Areas Adviser at English Heritage, covering the counties of Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Norfolk. Contact: [david.grech@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:david.grech@english-heritage.org.uk)

**Oliver Caroe** – is a Director of Caroe Architecture Ltd and is also an Associate of Cambridge Architectural Research. The Practice is dedicated both to the care of historical places and to the creation of innovative new buildings and is expert at working in sensitive areas: complex urban centres, delicate landscapes and the historic built environment. Oliver's dual role reflects a deep interest in knowledge and research, combined with good architecture. Project work is taken into Cambridge Architectural Research, where research expertise and skills are available to undertake well-informed, thoroughly researched architectural projects - especially in relation to sustainability and historic buildings. Contact: [oliver@caroe.com](mailto:oliver@caroe.com)

**Diana Oviatt-Ham** – since 1975 she has been working at the Cambridge City Council and since 2005 she is the Principal Arboricultural Officer. She is responsible for the management of trees in the city in the public sector and private sector where required by legislation. Diana has a wealth of knowledge on tree matters. Contact: [Diana.Oviatt-Ham@cambridge.gov.uk](mailto:Diana.Oviatt-Ham@cambridge.gov.uk)

**Carolyn Göhler** – is the CEO of Cambridge Past, Present & Future. Her background is in horticulture and as a Chartered Landscape Architect for over two decades. She gained wide experience in the UK and overseas as free-lance and employed landscape architect covering private and civic schemes. Recently she has worked for various local authorities and voluntary organisations. She has a keen interest in sustainability issues and quality of newly designed schemes, landscape matters, nature conservation and ecology of the local environment as well as countryside matters. Currently the Landscape Institute's representative of the East of England branch. Contact: [ceo@cambridgeppf.org](mailto:ceo@cambridgeppf.org)

## Event Organisation and Support



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**Booking Form to arrive no later than Wed 23 June 2010** (to ensure you get lunch and a place).

Name/s:

Organisation:

Address:

post code:

Telephone no:

e-mail address:

Parking required: \_\_\_\_\_

Please specify if disability access is required:

No lunch required \_\_\_\_\_

## LUNCH BOOKING - Cost £8.50 per person

Please tick option and specify any special dietary requirement:

Normal \_\_\_\_\_

Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

Gluten-free \_\_\_\_\_

Vegan \_\_\_\_\_

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