

A Changing Place – Planning for Growth and Diversity in MK

Conference Programme

MK Gallery, 900 Midsummer Blvd, MK9 3QA
1st March 2023



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08:30 – 09:00	Registration and refreshments	Sky Room
09:00 – 09:15	Welcome address Chris Murray, Conference Chair Michael Bracey, Chief Executive, MKCC	Sky Room
09:15 – 09:35	Keynote Speaker Annemari De Silva, Office for National Statistics	Sky Room
09:35 – 10:20	Panel discussion – Diversity and Inclusion Panel Chair Cllr Jane Carr, Cabinet Member for Equalities, MKCC Annemari De Silva, Office for National Statistics; Jane Whild, Fawcett Society; Jay Virgo, Q:Alliance; Anouar Kassim, MK Islamic Arts, Heritage and Culture; Kerry Thompson, blogger and campaigner on disability	Sky Room
10.20 – 10.40	Break	
10:40 – 11:00	Address by Pete Marland, Leader of MKCC	Sky Room
11:00 – 12:30	Speaker series and Panel Q&A Andrew Carter, Centre for Cities Fionnuala Lennon, Homes England Julia Thrift, Town and Country Planning Association Abigaile Bromfield, ARUP	Sky Room
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch	Sky Room

13:30 – 14:45	Breakout sessions Summary of morning session and outline of afternoon session, Chris Murray, Conference Chair	Sky Room
	Healthy Places Oli Mytton MKCC – Chair; Julia Thrift, TCPA; Ben Cave, Ben Cave Insights; Anna Le Gouais, Bristol University; Shaun Andrews, Nexus Planning	Event Space
	Housing & Infrastructure Delivery Will Rysdale MKCC – Chair; Karl Fitzgerald, Infrastructure and Projects Authority; David Gilchrist, Berkeley Homes; Sunita Aujla, Paradigm Housing	Sky Room
	Good growth: economic, cultural and sustainable prosperity Sophie Lloyd MKCC – Chair; Oliver Goodhall, We Made That; Holly Dawson, Bidwells; James Golding-Graham, EEH	Learning Studio
14:45 – 15:00	Break	
15:00 – 15:15	Feedback from breakout sessions	Sky Room
15:15 – 16:15	Panel discussion Chris Murray – Conference Chair, joined by Julia Thrift, TCPA; Ben Cave, Ben Cave Insights; Sunita Aujla, Paradigm Housing; Karl Fitzgerald, Infrastructure and Projects Authority; Paul Thomas, MKCC	Sky Room
16:15 – 16:30	Closing address Chris Murray, Conference Chair Paul Thomas, Director Planning and Placemaking, Milton Keynes City Council	Sky Room