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Home Truths: NPHC Conference 6th November Imperial War Museum, Duxford

The essential event for the park home industry. Sustainable futures; learning from research; innovative technology and more...

Conference speakers:



Paul Brown

Conference facilitator

Paul Brown joined the Haulfryn Group in 1986 as Sales Manager at their 'flagship' park, The Warren, in Abersoch. In 2005 he took his current role as Haulfryn Group Sales Development Director. His main responsibility is the design and development of new products.



Peter Draper

Peter Draper took over as NCC Chairman in March 2008. He is Managing Director of finance specialists, RoyScot Larch. He co-founded Larch Finance in 1978, later setting up a joint venture with the RoyScot Trust, the

asset finance arm of RBS. They specialise in finance for park homes, canal boats and, more recently, caravan holiday homes.



Simon Llewellyn

Simon Llewellyn is the Head of Private Housing Management, Condition and Adaptations in Communities and Local Government, which covers policy in relation to park homes, the private rented sector and the disabled facilities grant regime. He is also sponsor of the Residential Property Tribunal Service.



Richard Ashton

Richard Ashton is the Director of the Imperial War Museum, Duxford, and a Governor on the board of the Memorial Trust of the 2nd Air Division USAAF. From 2001-2004, he was the Marketing Director of The Caravan Club, having

previously worked for short breaks specialists, Bridge Travel. Richard is an Associate of the Chartered Institute of Marketing and a Member of the Marketing Society.



Mark Bevan

Dr Mark Bevan is a Research Fellow in the Centre for Housing Policy, University of York. He is a specialist in affordable housing and has recently undertaken research on a range of housing issues including the housing and support needs

of older people. He is the author of a report into the park home industry in Scotland; currently compiling research into viability of park homes in England.



John Clement

John Clement is a Partner in Turbervilles Solicitors, where he has been a partner since 2001. John specialises in commercial litigation and has developed a niche practice dealing with park home law, having handled a number of high-

profile cases, including the leading Court of Appeal decision of Charlton -v- Howard. John acts for a large number of park home site operators and also advises the National Park Homes Council on legal issues.



Len Bell

Len Bell joined Champion Accountants earlier this year as Director of Leisure. He has spent more than 25 years in the industry, including 20 years at Haulfryn where he was a Board Director and later became joint

managing director.



Roy Gallagher

Roy Gallagher boasts more than 40 years in the caravan industry, having begun his career at Nairn Valley Caravans in 1966. He formed the specialist park home manufacturers, Country Homes (Anglia) Ltd in 1981. He is Country Homes's

Managing Director and also Chairman of the National Park Homes Council.

Conference Programme Marshall Auditorium

09:30 Coffee and registration
The Concorde Suite

10:00 Welcome

Paul Brown, conference facilitator
Haulfryn's Group Sales Development Director
Roy Gallagher, NPHC Chairman
MD Country Homes

10:10

Living up to the park home dream
Simon Llewellyn
Head of CLG's Private Housing Sector, with responsibility for the park home policy team

10:40 Reality check

Alicia Dunne
NCC Deputy Director General

11:00 Coffee and networking
The Airside Suite

11:25 Surviving the credit crunch

Len Bell
Leisure Director, Champion Accountants

11:50 Flying... in the face of adversity: Marketing, PR and Duxford

Richard Ashton
Director of the Imperial War Museum, Duxford, former marketing director of The Caravan Club

12:20 Luncheon

The Airside Suite

13:45 A Comedy of Errors - a light-hearted look at business bloopers

Paul Brown

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14:00 From the outside looking in
Dr Mark Bevan, Centre for Housing Policy, University of York
Researcher into viability of park homes in England

14:30 Double trouble: The latest in park home law
John Clement, Turbervilles
Advisor to NCC/NPHC and partner and specialist in commercial litigation and park home law

15:15 Home truths

John Lally
Director General of the National Caravan Council

15:45 Conference round-up



Peter Draper, NCC Chairman
Managing Director, RoyScot Larch

16:00 Conference closes;

opportunity to tour the Museum exhibits

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Second BS3632 committee meeting report

The BS3632 committee met for the second time at The Lawns show and decided on a number of objectives which will be fulfilled before the next meeting, scheduled for early December. These include:

- The first air leakage test of a park home.
- CO₂ testing of a number of habitation units.
- Identifying a common SAP software and training provider.

- A review of all elements of the Standard by the committee members.

- An analysis of minimum insulative values to guarantee minimum code standards for both natural gas and LPG.

- A choice of a benchmark location and orientation for unit comparison purposes.

The committee also decided on dates when Energy Performance Certificates would be produced for new and existing products.