

Yorkshire & North East Branch e-Newsletter October 2009

New Branch Chairman

Germaine Peters (2009 Branch Chairman) has decided to fulfil her dream to travel the world! We thank her for the years she has volunteered on the branch committee and wish her an exciting and rewarding global experience.



Vicki Ingleby (Associate Director, Turley Associates) has moved up to take the position of Branch Chairman. Vicki is a planning consultant with significant experience in both the private and public sectors.

She has been involved in a broad range of multi-disciplinary projects for a variety of clients across the UK including major regeneration projects. She is looking forward to the year ahead as Chair.

We always welcome new branch committee members and have been delighted that Jane Verity-Smart has recently joined us and is already organising events – watch this space for further details!

The branch committee list and contact details are updated online here: <http://www.wipnet.org/branches/yorkshire--north-east/committee.aspx>

Sub-committees also meet in Newcastle and Sheffield.

For further information on joining these, please contact:

North East : Sonja Macgregor <sonja.macgregor@clsl.co.uk>

Sheffield: Jill Dickinson <j.dickinson@wakefield.ac.uk>

* All committee members are volunteers and members of WiP *

Best of the Best

On the evening of Tuesday 22nd September, the Women In Property “Best of the Best” National Student Awards blacktie dinner was held at Claridge’s, London. Students who had won their branch award, were now up against each other for the national award. Finalists came from the study areas of Architecture, Engineering, Real Estate Management, Planning and Urban Studies.

The 2010 regional winner is Midlands Branch finalist, Anjna Farmah, studying BA (Hons) Architecture. However, the judges felt a special “Highly Commended” Award was deserved by our very own Yorkshire & NE Branch finalist, Hannah Wright, who is studying for a BA in Urban Studies at the University of Sheffield. Hannah had a “captivated audience” at the judging.

Coupled with winning this national award last year, our branch is extremely proud of the award-winning talents in our region. Attracting young people now is critical for the industry in years to come.



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Events

- **Haymarket Hub Site Visit @ Newcastle**
Wednesday 28 October 12:00 PM
- **Creative Sheffield– 1 Year On @ Sheffield**
Wednesday 4 November 5:30 PM
- **Building Business Development Confidence @ Sheffield**
Tuesday 17 November 5:30 PM
- **Christmas Cocktail Party @ Leeds**
Tuesday 1 December 7:30 PM
- **Mentoring Session @ Leeds**
Tuesday 19 January 2010

More branch events here soon:

<http://www.wipnet.org/branches/yorkshire--north-east/events.aspx>

Events are organised by the Yorkshire/NE Committee who meet in Leeds, as well as by sub-committees in Newcastle and Sheffield.

Leaving / Moving?

Your current WiP membership **stays with you** - even if you change employment - so please keep your contact details up to date by either:

Logging into the membership section of the WiP website
<http://www.wipnet.org/members.aspx>
and amending your profile online
or

Download the Change of Details form after logging into the website
<http://www.wipnet.org/members/change-details.aspx>
or

Emailing Lara Farey (National Membership Administrator):
lara.farey@ntlworld.com

Christmas Cocktails



The biggest and most popular social event in our branch calendar is coming soon:

Annual Black Tie Christmas Cocktail Party

on Tuesday 1st December 2009 at the Fourth Floor Cafe Bar, Harvey Nichols, Leeds.

Tickets: £40 (WiP members) & £45 (non-members).

* **Wates Living Space** have kindly agreed to sponsor this event *

For further information, please contact:

Claire Malone, Email: Claire.Malone@IrwinMitchell.com or

Jennifer Winyard, Email: jwinyard@turleyassociates.co.uk

Let Networking Work for You



Some are concerned that attending events does not win work, but by attending an event, you and your company are showing their face to others in the industry and keeping these names in our thoughts.

Networking is "meeting and interacting with individuals who have similar interests in an effort to build relationships that will produce current and future benefits." (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2009)

Advice on getting the best out of networking varies, but two very worthy of mention are to firstly, **set your networking goals** and secondly, to remember that networking is not just about what you can get out of it, but **how you can help others**.

WiP has a strong ethos of support and development of, and by, our members. Many relationships engendered through networking have had a very positive business outcome. Remember it's not just the referrals that can benefit your business; the potential for growing a mentoring relationship through new contacts, will enhance your business acumen, confidence and career.

WiP holds events nationwide so, if you are travelling on business, don't forget to look up events in the area: <http://www.wipnet.org/events.aspx>
Every WiP member has access to the online Membership database so we can contact each other for specific requests:
<http://www.wipnet.org/members.aspx>

Perhaps you would like to write an article of interest for a future newsletter, or showcase your project or skills by offering a site visit or seminar as an upcoming event? Many WiP members have achieved positive feedback for themselves and their employer organisations as a result.

* *Business opportunities are created through networks of like-minded business people* *

Meet two WiP members from our NE Branch making their mark in the industry

Member Spotlight



Faith Folley

Faith is a senior planner in the Newcastle team at planning consultancy DPP; specialising in development control with a background in both the public and private sector she has an extensive practical knowledge of the planning system working on large mixed use schemes. Faith is also DPP's sustainability representative for the North East Region. Faith became a member of WiP earlier this year and has enjoyed networking at the North East Satellite Branches recent Teeside and Tyneside events.



Victoria Appleby

Victoria is a solicitor in the Public Sector team at Muckle LLP, specialising in commercial property and planning law. She is also member of the graduate recruitment team and a mentor to trainee solicitors at Muckle. Having recently joined the WiP North East Satellite Group Committee she is currently helping to coordinate WiP events in the northeast region. Victoria hopes to become involved with the WiP annual Student Awards in the future.

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