

Scotland Newsletter

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Welcome

Welcome to the April 2021 edition of the Women in Property Scotland Newsletter. As lockdown slowly starts to ease across Scotland, the prospect of being able to meet in person again is starting to feel like a reality. However, in the meantime we are continuing to hold a number of great virtual events. I had the pleasure of meeting many of you at the Highlands and Islands virtual coffee morning recently and it was a great opportunity to network with members across Scotland in a relaxed and informal setting. If you haven't attended any so far, I would really encourage you to do so – the next coffee morning is being hosted by Central Scotland later this month and there will be further coffee mornings hosted by the Northern Scotland and Highlands & Islands satellites.

I am also pleased to report that the 2021 Women in Property Student Awards process is well underway. We received 20 nominations this year from Universities across Scotland, with the students appearing before judging panels in March. The presentations were of a very high standard and there were some excellent candidates, so do keep an eye out for the Regional Awards on 19th and 20th May, when the Northern Scotland and Central Scotland winning candidates will be announced and will go on to compete in the National Student Awards later this year.

Carol Nisbet

Northern Scotland Chair (pictured right)

Events

Branches across the UK continue to deliver a broad range of virtual events as we all work within the current restrictions. It has been hugely beneficial for all of us to participate in these events thus broadening our networks throughout the UK. If you haven't yet got involved do head over to the Women in Property website and take a look at the range of events available – [click here](#).

Branches across Scotland are continuing their great work with a blended programme of events for 2021 – coming up we have Cityscape events, Student Awards and plenty of chances for networking.

New National Chair - Rachel Bell

Rachel Bell became National Chair of Women in Property from 1 March, for one year.

Rachel, a former South West branch Chair, is director of Stride Treglown based in Bristol, where she leads the firm's national Business Development operations. A well-respected business figure, Rachel has been a member of Women in Property for fifteen years. You can read more about Rachel and her vision for the year [here](#).



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Coming soon

In Conversation with ... Kelly Faulds, City of Edinburgh Council

18 May

Northern Scotland Student Awards Evening

19 May 4:30 – 5:30 pm

"Inverness Cityscape – a Panel Discussion"

20 May 12.30 – 1.30pm

Central Scotland Student Awards Evening

20 May 4-5pm

Webinar: Land Contamination

27 May

Highlands & Islands Virtual Coffee Break and Networking

3 June 10 – 11am

"Creating Success from the Inside Out"

17 June

To find out more and book [click here](#).

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Member Profiles

Throughout the course of the pandemic we have been profiling members of all branches across Scotland on our social media channels. Members have had the chance to share a little about themselves and what they have got from being involved with Women in Property alongside their favourite series – some good recommendations in there!

If you are a member and would like to be profiled please get in touch with Highlands & Islands Chair – Hannah Lloyd: Hannah.lloyd@weareglm.com

Construction Scotland Innovation Centre – News

Women in Property Scotland is working with the Construction Scotland Innovation Centre to bring you opportunities for training, development and wider industry opportunity and news. Keep an eye on our social media platforms alongside this, new regular section in the newsletter to stay up to date.

We are delighted that former Central Scotland Chair, Samantha McCabe, is involved in the **Passivhaus in Practice** programme, which is now accepting applications.

Sam said: 'I'm delighted to be doing a presentation to CSIC on the Passivhaus training programme, in early June. Discussing how we can help the industry develop, to understand the parameters of Passivhaus and dispel the myths and challenges that have long been associated with these methods of construction. This embraces the assurance that Passivhaus construction can give and works to stop the energy wastage now, not wait until 2030. I am looking forward to sharing my passion while empowering others to strengthen and educate the industry in Scotland to build more efficiently, before it's too late.'

Find out more [here](#).



#TheWord - Women in Property Podcast



The latest podcast from Women in Property is a two part series looking at how we instil the Sustainable Development Goals into the way we operate as a sector.

Jane Findlay, director of Fira and President of the Landscape Institute and **Lesley Roberts**, Partner at Allsop, Chair of Soho Housing and President of the UK Apartment Association, discuss the priority areas and the ease of making the SDGs business as usual.

To listen, or explore other podcasts in #TheWord series [click here](#).

Thank you again for all your support and we hope to see you all at an event soon.

Promotions & News

Siobhan Davitt – promoted to Director at ADP.

Catherine Thornhill - promoted to Land Manager at Barratt & David Wilson Homes North Scotland.

Mary Rae - new role as Project Manager at Turner & Townsend.

News to Share

Do you have news to share? Have you been promoted or changed companies? Have you won an award or gained recognition? Let us know so we can share your news with fellow members of Women in Property and celebrate your success. Contact details can be found on the branch pages of the website.

Get Involved

The satellite branches of Northern Scotland and Highlands and Islands both have vacancies on their committees so now is the perfect time to get involved – want to support fellow women in property and give back to the wider community? This could be the perfect opportunity for you.

To find out more or express an interest please contact

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Got an idea?

Please get in touch with any ideas, suggestions or just for a chat.

Please reach out to one of the Branch Committee members – details are on our branch page:

<https://www.womeninproperty.org.uk/branches/>

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