



FitNSW 2018

Placemakers and Cityshapers:

The pathway to active and healthy communities

Keynote Speakers:

Professor Peter Newman

Professor of Sustainability,
Curtin University, Perth



Lucinda Hartley

CEO of CoDesign Studio,
Urban designer and social
entrepreneur



Amy Child

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Thursday 15 March 2018

9:00am—1:00pm

(registration from 8.30am)

at

Aerial UTS Function Centre

Level 7, Building 10, 235 Jones Street

Ultimo, Sydney

A light lunch will be provided following the event

1:00pm—1:30pm

**The GreenWay Tour walkshop will
depart from UTS at 1:30pm**



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PROGRAM

8.30am	<i>Arrival and Registration</i>	
9.00am	Welcome and Introductions	Conference Chair – Dr Peter Sainsbury Former Director, Population Health, South Western Sydney Local Health District
9.10am	Opening Address	Fiona Morrison Commissioner Open Space and Parklands Office of Open Space and Parklands Department Planning and Environment
Keynote Speakers		
9.20am	Making Cities Healthy: Active, Low Carbon and Biophilic	Professor Peter Newman Professor of Sustainability at Curtin University in Perth, Western Australia
9.40am	Shaping healthy liveable neighbourhoods in an era of loneliness	Lucinda Hartley CEO of CoDesign Studio, urban designer and social entrepreneur
10.00am	Walking in an Automated World	Amy Child Associate at Arup, urban strategist and advisor specialising in transport and mobility
10.20am	Q&A Session: Questions and answers with our 3 keynote speakers	
10.40am	<i>Morning Tea and Networking</i>	
Local Placemaking and Cityshaping Case Studies		
11.10am	Sydney Metro: Cityshaping infrastructure connecting Australia's biggest city	Phil Leijten Acting Director, Place Making & Precinct Activation, Sydney Metro, Transport for NSW
11.25am	'The Challenge of Creating Healthy and Active Communities' - Bennelong Bridge connecting Rhodes and Wentworth Point	Rick Graf Development Director, Billbergia Group
11.40am	Transforming Public Spaces: Birriwa Reserve Outdoor Youth Space, Mount Annan	Tim Vyse Senior Landscape Architect, Camden Council
11.55am	The Greenway Journey: Creating a sustainable transport and urban environmental corridor through Sydney's Inner West	Nick Chapman Greenway Place Manager, Inner West Council
Panel Discussion		
12.15pm	Panel Discussion: Creating healthy and active communities in NSW	Dr Peter Sainsbury, Conference Chair, will facilitate the discussion with panel members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Philip Thalys, City of Sydney • Peter Poulet, Government Architect NSW • Bryan Willey, Director, Better Movement and Places, Future Transport, Transport for NSW • Stephen Moore, Director, Urban Design, Roberts Day
12.50pm	Summary and closing remarks	Dr Jo Mitchell Executive Director, Centre for Population Health, NSW Ministry of Health
1pm-1:30pm	<i>A light lunch will be served in the foyer</i>	
1.30pm-4.30pm	Walkshop: The GreenWay Tour - a sustainable transport and urban environmental corridor through Sydney's Inner West, led by Nick Chapman, Greenway Place Manager, Inner West Council. If you have registered for the walkshop, please meet at 1.30pm in the foyer.	

Speaker Biographies

Conference Chair

Dr Peter Sainsbury

Peter Sainsbury was until his retirement in 2016 Director of Population Health in South Western Sydney Local Health District. He holds adjunct professorial appointments at the Universities of Notre Dame, Sydney and New South Wales. Peter is President of the Climate and Health Alliance, and a past president of the Public Health Association of Australia. Other interests include figurative war memorials, cooking and eating, the arts, cricket and Florence Nightingale.

Opening Address

Fiona Morrison

Joining the Department of Planning and Environment in her role as Commissioner five months ago, Fiona possesses a wealth of private sector and local government experience and knowledge. She is passionate about improving and creating open spaces in NSW and believes in the importance of inclusivity within these spaces. Fiona is a Landscape Architect with over twenty years' experience in the field and holds an MBA from the University of Newcastle. Her vision is to create accessible, attractive spaces that bring communities together.

Keynote Speakers

Professor Peter Newman

Peter Newman is the Professor of Sustainability at Curtin University in Perth, Australia. He has written 20 books and over 340 papers on sustainable cities. In 2014 he was awarded an Order of Australia for his contributions to urban design and sustainable transport. Peter has worked in local government as an elected councillor, in state government as an advisor to three Premiers and in the Australian Government on the Board of Infrastructure Australia and the Prime Minister's Cities Reference Group. He is a Lead Author for the IPCC on a new study for accelerating a zero-carbon future.

Lucinda Hartley

Lucinda Hartley is an urban designer and social entrepreneur who has spent the past decade pioneering disruptive approaches to revitalising cities and towns across Australia. After spending two years working with slum communities in south-east Asia, she co-founded CoDesign Studio, a social enterprise that uses creative placemaking to improve social connection in local neighbourhoods. Six years later CoDesign has delivered more than 100 urban renewal projects involving over 10,000 local citizens. Alongside CoDesign, Lucinda is a co-founder of Neighbourlytics, the world's first social data analytics platform for neighbourhood development. She is also a member of the Ministerial Advisory Council for Fisherman's Bend and was recently appointed as Adjunct Senior Fellow at the University of Melbourne.

Speaker Biographies

Keynote Speakers (cont)

Amy Child

Amy Child is an Associate at Arup, a global design and engineering firm. She is an urban strategist and advisor specialising in transport and mobility within a cities context. Amy has lived and worked in the UK and Australia and has spent the majority of her career as a consultant providing transport solutions which are equitable, considerate of the urban fabric and enhance the user experience. She is an expert in developing integrated transport strategies, with a focus on walking and cycling. Career highlights include developing the transport strategy for the new Perth Stadium and providing travel planning advice to businesses impacted by the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic games. Amy holds qualifications in transport planning and management, urban and environmental planning and civil engineering.

Local Placemaking and Cityshaping Case Studies

Phil Leijten

Phil Leijten is the Acting Director, Place Making and Precinct Activation for Sydney Metro. Phil has more than 20 years' experience in the planning and place making industry, working in both Australia and the United Kingdom. He has provided strategic advice and expertise on master planning and urban design projects covering all modes – bus, active transport, light rail, suburban rail and metro – where he has been part of the Sydney Metro team since 2011.

Rick Graf

Rick Graf is a global property expert having delivered major public and private projects in countries including the USA, Hong Kong, Singapore and Australia over the past 40 years, earning numerous international awards. For six years he represented the four Wentworth Point Landowners in the development and delivery of Sydney's Bennelong Bridge, which has become a topical Value Capture case study in privately funded public infrastructure. Bennelong Bridge is also a significant innovation in transport infrastructure permitting access for pedestrians, cyclists and buses, but no private cars. It is part of the Billbergia's vision for creating a sustainable, healthy, active community between the two peninsulas of Rhodes and Wentworth Point. Rick is a member of the Planning Committee and the Urban Development Committee of the UDIA and member of their Housing Affordability and Greater Sydney Commission Task Forces. He is also a director of MetroWest Rail consortium that has submitted an Unsolicited Proposal to the NSW Government for the development of a new Metro Rail project connecting Parramatta & Sydney CBD's in 15 minutes.

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Local Placemaking and Cityshaping Case Studies (cont)

Tim Vyse

Tim Vyse was born a landscape architect and eventually earned the qualifications to match. He has a passion for innovative, memorable, place based and community driven public domain strategy and outcomes. He is a believer that a strong public sector landscape architectural presence is crucially important in the creation of great places for existing and future communities. Tim has 10 years' experience on numerous public domain projects in both private practice and local government throughout Sydney and Canberra. With Qualifications in Landscape Architecture and Land and Heritage Management Tim is currently working in Camden and everyday has a unique opportunity to re-envision the public domain as Senior Landscape Architect in one of the fastest growing areas of Sydney.

Nick Chapman

An environmental scientist by training, Nick has focused in recent years on a combination of local government place management practice and urban sustainability research and postgraduate teaching at the University of Technology Sydney. Currently he is the Place Manager for the Inner West Light Rail and GreenWay Corridor. He was Macquarie Park Place Manager at the City of Ryde for 5 years, focusing on urban liveability issues along the Epping Chatswood Rail Corridor. Nick is passionate about implementing affordable, practicable approaches to enhance community connections, sustainable living and design quality in rapidly changing urban environments.

Panel Discussion

Councillor Philip Thalís

First elected to the City of Sydney Council as part of the Independent Team in 2016, Philip chairs a number of Committees and is a member of the Central Sydney Planning Committee. Previously he served as a member of the Heritage Council of NSW and the Minister for Planning's Urban Design Advisory Committee and was a Trustee of the Historic Houses Trust of NSW for 9 years. Philip is a registered architect and founding principal of Hill Thalís Architecture + Urban Projects, a practice recognised for its design excellence and independent standpoint. Specialist areas include urban projects, public buildings and places, urban housing, adaptive reuse and historic interpretation. Under his direction, the Practice won the major competitions including the Olympic Village – National Architecture Competition in 1992, and the East Darling Harbour International Competition in 2006. In 2009 Philip was awarded the AIA NSW Presidents Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Architectural Profession (jointly with Peter John Cantrill). Philip actively promotes the culture of architecture and city making, combining the direction of the practice with teaching, research, conference papers and publication, public lectures, architectural criticism and expert opinion. He has lectured extensively at all universities in Sydney. His recent book *Public Sydney; Drawing the City* (co-authored with Peter John Cantrill) examines the forming and successive transformations of the city's public places and major public buildings. Philip holds a Bachelor of Science in Architecture, in Bachelor of Architecture and CEAA degree in Urban Architecture from the School of Architecture of Paris-Belleville.

Speaker Biographies

Panel Discussion (cont)

Peter Poulet

Peter Poulet is the 23rd NSW Government Architect. He has over 30 years' experience in Australia and Japan in both private and government architectural offices. Peter's projects have received numerous awards including the Horbury Hunt, the Blackett Award and an Australian Institute of Architects' commendation for Public Building. Peter is a member of the NSW Architect's Registration Board, Central Sydney Planning Committee, NSW Heritage Council, Trustee of the ANZAC Memorial, Sydney Opera House Conservation Council, Government Architect's Network Australia, UTS Design Architecture & Building Advisory Board and is a UNSW Adjunct Professor.

Bryan Willey

Bryan Willey is a Transport Planning and Infrastructure Director with experience including construction of road infrastructure, introduction of bus priority, integrated multi-modal transport network planning, performance measurement, road network optimisation and enhancing street environments in urban areas for all road users. Bryan has worked for both the private and public sectors in Australia, the United Kingdom and the Middle East and is currently the Director Better Movement and Places with Transport for NSW. Most recently he was lead author on the NSW Road Planning Framework, project managed the review of road network congestion and reliability in Australia and New Zealand on behalf of Austroads and is providing thought-leadership on the integrated land use and transport vision for Sydney and NSW for the next 40 years through 'Future Transport'.

Stephen Moore

Leader on high profile projects including Sydney North-West Metro, Waterloo Urban Renewal and Bondi Junction Complete Streets. City of Sydney recognition as a key creative talent and contributor to Resilient Sydney, part of the Rockefeller Foundation's 100 Resilient Cities Initiative. Champion of walkability and density done well: Co-author of Committee for Sydney's Making Great Places Report. Part of Sydney University's Faculty of Architecture tutoring integrated urbanism and advanced urban design studio. Past life: London-based with projects including Birmingham's Bullring and Sunderland's Sunniside.

Closing Remarks

Dr Jo Mitchell

Jo Mitchell is the Executive Director, Centre for Population Health in the NSW Ministry of Health. In this role she is responsible for leading the development, implementation and evaluation of state-level prevention policy and strategy. Her portfolio of responsibilities includes drug and alcohol, HIV and STIs, blood borne virus and harm reduction, tobacco control, and overweight and obesity prevention. She has over twenty five years' experience in population health at local and state levels and a doctorate in Public Health from Flinders University.