

# THE PASSIVHAUS STANDARD IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING

A one day conference introducing the Passivhaus Standard to social housing providers, local authorities, contractors and designers.  
To be held in a completed Passivhaus at Hadlow College.

18 OCTOBER 2011

Hadlow College, Rural Regeneration Centre, Hadlow, Tonbridge, TN11 OAL

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Nearest train station - Tonbridge.

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| Programme | 10.00 | Introduction   | Professor Ian Swingland OBE                 |
|           | 10.30 | Regulatory framework, SAP, SBEM, Code, Building Regulations                    | Mark Saich,<br>Green Building Solutions Ltd |
|           | 11.00 | The Passivhaus standard explained  | Paul Mallion, Conker Conservation Ltd       |
|           | 11.30 | Passivhaus products and availability in the UK                                 | Joe Wild, Ecomerchant                       |
|           | 12.00 | Lunch and Networking   |   |
|           | 13.00 | Construction, a contractors perspective on building to the Passivhaus standard | Andrew Bassant,<br>Ecolibrium Solutions Ltd |
|           | 13.30 | Costs, value and funding of higher quality buildings                           | George Betteridge,<br>Betteridge & Milsom   |
|           | 14.00 | Retrofit of existing housing stock   | Keith Bothwell, University of Kent          |
|           | 14.30 | Conclusion, questions, discussion  | Action with Communities in Rural Kent       |
|           | 15.30 | Tea, Close   |   |

Cost: £40.00 per head inclusive of lunch and refreshments

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Speakers have been selected for their experience, training and enthusiasm.

### Speaker Biographies:



**Ian Swingland OBE**

Professor **Ian Swingland** founded DICE (Durrell Institute of Conservation and Ecology) at the University of Kent in 1989. While at DICE he served as director and was elected to the first Chair of Conservation Biology in the United Kingdom. He is involved with Hadlow College and many other leading wildlife and biodiversity organisations worldwide.



**Mark Saich**, BSc Hons (Environmental Sciences) PG Dip (Advanced Environmental and Energy Studies), Green Building Solutions.

Director of Green Building Solutions consultancy practice, NHER SAP assessor, lecturer/ trainer on energy efficiency. Specialising in low energy dwellings and natural material technologies. Has worked in the construction industry for 25 years, including local authority and private sector building control and environmental health.



**Paul Mallion**, BSc(Hons), MSc(Arch), FRICS, Conker Conservation Ltd, co-founder of the Passivhaus Hub.

Chartered Building Surveyor specialising in low energy design and sustainability. Working with Passivhaus standard since 2005. Designed the first house in Kent using passivhaus standard in 2007, and the UK's first industrial passivhaus. Has completed European Passivhaus Designer training.



**Joe Wild**, Managing director of Ecomerchant, co-founder of the Passivhaus Hub.

Joe has been involved in environmental construction for over 15 years, trained as a building surveyor, now specialising in supplying sustainable materials to the construction industry. Also a director of Natureplus, Europe's leading product certification body.



**Andrew Bassant**, Ecolibrium Solutions Ltd.

Andrew founded Eco-librium Solutions Ltd with Ana Rodrigues in 2001, following a decade of working within mainstream construction, with the specific aim of developing expertise in all areas of sustainable construction. Since that time the company has been involved in many projects including certified passive houses and land mark projects such as 'The Pines Calyx' and 'Crossway'.



**Paul Gannaway**, BSc, MRICS, Betteridge and Milsom.

Director at Betteridge & Milsom, Paul is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor with over twenty years experience in the construction industry, managing projects in sectors such as education, housing, commercial and health. As an active member of the Sustainable Building Association (AECB) Paul regularly attends various seminars regarding environmentally sustainable building. He is particularly interested in new technology and projects that have potential to deliver excellent water and energy performance. He is also a strong supporter of low-energy and low-CO<sub>2</sub> emissions design.



**Keith Bothwell**, Senior Lecturer in Architecture, University of Kent.

An architect with over 30 years experience and teaches at Kent School of Architecture focussing on environment and sustainability. He developed this interest while a student at the Bartlett School of Architecture, visiting pioneering autonomous houses and working as a volunteer at the fledgling Centre for Alternative Technology in Wales. In 1996 he completed an MSc in Bio-Climatic Architectural Design, and undertakes research on the passive environmental design of buildings.