

The Community Planning Handbook

HOW PEOPLE CAN SHAPE THEIR CITIES, TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD

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Community planning is a rapidly developing, increasingly important field. Growing numbers of professionals and local residents are getting involved and there is a powerful menu of tools available, from design workshops to electronic maps. This handbook provides a practical guide to community planning. Tips, checklists and sample documents are provided to help the reader get started quickly.

What people have said about the book:

'A very clear, well organized and extremely useful book for those who are or who ought to be promoting democratic participation in shaping the future of our communities. In addition to prudent principles, a well researched overview of methods and good examples of specific tools, the Scenarios section demonstrates how the various methods described can be mixed and matched to meet the unique circumstances found in any community. With its emphasis on flexibility and adaptation in the face of experience, this is a book that I will recommend to clients and colleagues alike'

J Gary Lawrence, President, Sustainable Strategies & Solutions, Inc, Seattle

'The clear and concise copy as well as the very appealing graphic formatting make this an excellent handbook which will be useful to so many different users in so many ways'

Tony Costello, Professor of Architecture, Ball State University, USA

'This excellent work shows an absolute understanding of the issues of consultation/participation'

Peter Richards, Deicke Richards Architects, Australia

'This is the best practical guide to running a community planning event, and a must for community groups and councils both in the UK and abroad'

Roger Evans, Chairman, Urban Design Group

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Growing numbers of residents are getting involved with professionals in shaping their local environment. This website is an essential starting point for everyone concerned. It provides easily accessible how-to-do-it best practice information of international scope and relevance.

<http://www.communityplanning.net/>