

Living Co-operatively Symposium

Affordable Housing - Sustainable Communities

13 - 14 February 2008

Petersham Town Hall 107 Crystal Street Petersham NSW

Program as at 7 February 2008

Wednesday 13 February 2008

Opening and Keynote Address

8.30 am Registration open

9.00 am Welcome to country

Welcome to Marrickville

Councillor Dimitrios Thanos, Mayor, Marrickville Council

Introduction to the Symposium

Affordable housing, sustainable communities, co-operative living
- an international perspective

Gun-Britt Mårtensson - Key note speaker

10.15 am Break

Sustainable Communities - The civil society framework

10.50 am Setting the framework - building social capital through co-operative living
Professor Jenny Onyx, University of Technology Sydney

Political dimension of control and use of urban land - the politics of space
Professor Andrew Jakubowicz, University of Technology Sydney

Characteristics of co-operative organisations
Dr Jo Barraket, University of Melbourne

Reflections and observations
Gun-Britt Mårtensson

Panel discussion
Jenny Onyx, Andrew Jakubowicz, Jo Barraket, Gun-Britt Mårtensson

12.05 pm Lunch

Affordable Housing: Case Studies, Models and Options

1.00 pm What is affordable housing and what are the critical obstacles?
Professor Julian Disney, Chair, National Summit on Housing Affordability

The role of community housing
Adam Farrar, Executive Director, NSW Federation of Housing Associations

The role of co-operative housing
Karine Shellshear, Executive Director, Association to Resource Co-operative Housing

Case studies of success in Australia
Dr Louise Crabtree, Urban Research Centre, University of Western Sydney
Col James, Program Director, IBFell Housing Research Centre
Caroline Butler-Bowden, Author, Homes in the Sky

3.05 pm Break

Financing Options for Affordable Housing

- 3.20 pm *Professor Peter Phibbs, Urban Research Centre, University of Western Sydney*
Joseph Connellan, Director, MC Two Pty Ltd
John McInerney, CEO, Common Equity Housing Limited
 Including panel Q&A

Affordable Housing in NSW - Possibilities and Options

- 4.25 pm *Helen O'Loughlin, NSW Centre for Affordable Housing*
Steve Bevington, Managing Director, Community Housing Limited
Mark Snell, Chairman, Equilibrium Community Ecology Inc
 Including panel Q&A
- 5.30 pm Drinks and networking

Thursday 14 February 2008**Setting the agenda for Local Government**

- 9.00 am An introduction to the day -
 Setting the scene on affordable housing - the Parramatta experience
Councillor Paul Barber, Lord Mayor of Parramatta
- Opening address The Hon. Linda Burney
NSW Minister responsible for Fair Trading, Youth, Volunteering and Co-operatives
- 9.30 am Introduction - key housing issues within a planning context
Professor Bill Randolph
- An urban policy perspective
John Mant, Lawyer and urban planner
- Planning and provision issues for local government
Professor Peter Webber
- 10.10 am Break
- 10.30 am A private sector perspective
Greg Boyce, Director, Boyce Group
- Policy to practice
Paul Dorahy and Lisa Miscamble, City of Canada Bay Council
- What local government would like to do
Councillor Genia McCaffery, President, NSW Local Government Association

Ideas and Solutions

- 11.30 am Brainstorming ideas - Facilitated by James Arvanitakis
Group discussion
- Plenary
Report back and discussion
- Concluding Remarks
Gun-Britt Mårtensson - Key note speaker
Professor Jenny Onyx, University of Technology Sydney
- 1.30 pm Close