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Dear Ms Barker

**PLANNING SUMMER SCHOOL 2006- University of Kent at Canterbury
Planners' School 1: 5-9 September 2006**

I am writing on behalf of the members of Summer School to invite you to give a presentation at this year's School at the University of Kent at Canterbury in September 2006.

The Town and Country Planning Summer School is a registered educational charity, which has developed under the auspices of the Royal Town Planning Institute. It has met at a British University each September since 1933 and is generally considered to be one of the most successful residential training events for planners and other involved in the development and environmental fields. It is anticipated that an audience of approximately 250-300 delegates will be attracted, representing all sectors of the profession in the United Kingdom and Ireland. A number of international planners also attend.

We would like you to present a 30 minute paper, followed by 10 minute discussion, which would consider issues raised by the current Review of Land Use Planning on Friday 8 September 2006 at 09.40-11.00 for Planners' School 1. To give you an appreciation of the requirements for this type of session please read the appropriate section of the enclosed Planning Summer School formats document. Should you accept the invitation the precise title and scope of the presentation would be entirely up to you. We will, however, allocate a Member of TCPSS to you as a dialogue member. The dialogue member will be happy to advise you with such issues as how your presentation fits in with the rest of the programme and a suitable title.

As the School is an educational charity, we are unable to pay fees to speakers. However, we will, naturally, reimburse all your expenses and provide accommodation at the University should you require it.

As we aim to finalise as much of the programme as we can by early April, I would be very grateful if you could give an indication of your willingness to attend by Friday 7 April 2006. In the meantime, if you wish to discuss any aspects of the school or ideas for your presentation, please do not hesitate to contact Linda Durtnal, TCPSS



Planners' Schools formats

Opening and closing addresses

- chaired by President
- 30-40 minutes presentation
- no discussion or opportunity for questions
- anticipated audience of 250/300 planners
- main lecture theatre with raked seating

Plenary sessions

- chaired by the President or the Deputy President
- 30 minutes presentation
- 10-15 minutes for questions from audience
- anticipated audience of 250/300
- main lecture theatre with raked seating

Multiple speaker double plenary sessions

- may be chaired by a guest chair, rather than President or Deputy President
- 10 minutes presentation from each speaker, pointing up differences in approach
- discussion led by chair, allowing debate between the speakers as well as questions or discussion points from the audience
- anticipated audience of 250/300
- main lecture theatre with raked seating

Workshops

- workshops are repeated on two consecutive days
- 1 hr 30 minutes in total for each session
- 30 minutes presentation and 45 minutes for discussion
- **emphasis is on interactive discussion**
- anticipated audience of 50-80 on each day (but it can be a lot less)
- PSS Member available to give assistance as required
- workshops will not automatically have a chair but the allocated PSS Member can facilitate discussion periods if required
- flat floored or raked lecture theatre

Evening sessions

- 45 minutes presentation
- 10-15 minutes for questions from audience
- evening sessions consider planning issues but speakers are asked to deal with their topic in an illustrated or more light hearted way
- evening papers will be chaired by a PSS Member
- flat floored or raked lecture theatre