

# Environmental & Planning Law

## CPD Training



### Course Information

#### START TIME

9.30am

#### DELIVERY

Virtual

As practitioners know, the planning process is subject to extensive legal requirements. Those involved in this process must ensure they are up to date with important developments and changes regarding planning and environmental law, in order to successfully navigate the planning process and avoid costly mistakes. It is also important that planners keep one eye on what will be coming down the tracks, in order to be prepared for any potentially significant changes.

This course will discuss important recent and upcoming developments, such as the new EIA Regulations, key changes made by the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2018 as well as recent European Court decisions relating to EIA and the Habitats Directive and several decisions of the Irish Courts on planning and waste enforcement. During this training day, you will cover numerous different cases, laws and policy interventions. Attendees will leave with highly detailed course notes.

### Course Content

#### Module 1: Developments in Nature Conservation case-law

- Recording the test for screening for AA and Stage II AA
- Mitigation measures: Heather Hill Management Company, Sweetman v An Bord Pleanála & IGP Solar and Highlands Residents
- Mitigation measures and compensation measures: Briels, Hilda Orleans, Grace & Sweetman
- Article 12 challenges: CJEU case-law, Redmond v ABP, Highlands Residents

#### Module 2: Substitute Consent

- An Taisce v ABP (Supreme Court decision of July 2020)
- New changes to substitute consent regime in Planning Act 2020
- Decisions in J.J. Flood, Moore v ABP, Liscannor Stone v Clare County Council

#### Module 3: Strategic Housing

- Interpretation of Development Plan
- Material contravention of zoning
- Strategic planning policy requirements

#### Module 4: Access to Environmental Information

- Meaning of environmental information (Redmond v CEI, Right to Know v CEI and DTTAS)
- Definition of public authorities (Right to Know v CEI and Raheenleagh)
- Manifestly unreasonable / frivolous requests

### Who Should Attend

Public sector, private sector and in-house solicitors working in the areas of conveyancing and planning, commercial litigation, and environmental law. Civil servants and those working within a local authority in environmental and planning departments, other suitably qualified professionals, such as environmental agents and town planners who have an interest in environmental law.

### Certification

On completion of this one-day training course, you will receive your Certificate of Attendance. Please note certificates are issued at the close of the training course to participants on completion of the course.

Please check directly with your association or awarding body to see how many points they will award.

### Cost

An 'Early Bird' discounted rate of €465 is currently available. This training course normal rate is €565.