

PLA CONFERENCE 2007

	WEDNESDAY 10 OCTOBER
Time	
Wed 09.00	Registration opens
10.30	<p>Welcome and introduction to the Conference Pamela Tulloch, Chair, Public Libraries Group Karen Cunningham, Programme Director, Head of Glasgow Libraries</p> <p>Libraries in a Vibrant City Liz Cameron, Chair, Culture and Sport Glasgow</p>
11.00	Refreshments and exhibition viewing
11.30	<p>Governance and service delivery – Who is responsible?</p> <p>Culture and Sport Glasgow – why and how? Bridget McConnell, Chief Executive, Culture and Sport, Glasgow</p> <p>Safe in our Hands? – Public Libraries in Local Authority Control Diana Edmonds, Assistant Director, Culture, Libraries and Learning, London Borough of Haringey</p> <p>Public Service runs in the blood Bob Janes, Cabinet Member, Derbyshire County Council</p>
13.00	Lunch and exhibition viewing
14.00	<p>Quality Services for local people – Chaired by Roy Clare, Chief Executive, MLA</p> <p>Building on Success: a public library quality improvement matrix for Scotland Elaine Fulton, Director, Scottish Library and Information Council/CILIP in Scotland</p>

	<p>Delivering tomorrow's libraries Irene Knox, Chief Executive Designate, Northern Ireland Library Authority.</p> <p>Local Government reform in England and performance management in public libraries Andrew Stevens, Framework for the Future Manager, MLA Council</p>
15.30	Refreshments and exhibition viewing
16.00	Public Library Buildings Awards 2007
17.00	Conference Close
19.15	Reception sponsored by Scottish Library and Information Council & CILIP in Scotland
20.00	Public Library Buildings Awards Dinner
	THURSDAY 11 OCTOBER
08.00 – 08.45	<p>Breakfast Briefing – Update on Blueprint for Excellence John Dolan, Head of Library Policy, MLA Council & Roy Clare, Chief Executive, MLA Partnership</p>
09.30 – 11.00	<p>Debate – Deprofessionalisation and skills for the 21st century librarian Motion proposed by Tom Forrest, Library Consultant and John Dolan, Head of Library Policy, MLA Council and opposed by Bob McKee, Chief Executive, CILIP and Martin Molloy, Strategic Director of Cultural and Community Services, Derbyshire County Council</p>
11.00 - 11.30	Refreshments and exhibition viewing
11.30- 1.00	<p>Parallel Session for Officers – Partnerships</p> <p>Libraries and BBC Learning: highlights from our partnership and future opportunities Liz Cleaver, Controller, BBC Learning</p>

	<p>The British Library, partnership and services for public libraries Lynne Brindley, Chief Executive, British Library</p> <p>Remember to celebrate the large public library Tony Durcan, Head of Culture, Libraries and Lifelong Learning, Newcastle City Council</p>
<p>11.30 13.00</p>	<p>Parallel Session for Elected Members – What difference can you make? Liz Cameron, Chair, Culture and Sport Glasgow, Ernie White, Councillor, Leicestershire County Council Graham Newman, Councillor, Suffolk County Council Facilitated by John Dolan, Head of Library Policy, MLA and Craig Westwood, Head of Library Policy, DCMS</p>
<p>13.00</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>14.00</p>	<p>VISITS AND WORKSHOPS</p> <p>Library Visit Visit the redeveloped Mitchell Library, Europe’s largest public reference library or the award-winning Easterhouse and Gorbals community libraries.</p> <p>Workshops at the Mitchell Library Workshop 1 - Exploring new ways of promoting family and local history to a wider audience Workshop Leaders: Dr Irene O’Brien, Senior Archivist, The Mitchell Library and Alan Metcalf, Interim Head of Libraries and Information Services, Liverpool City Council Workshop 2 - Working with young people to reengineer teenage library services Workshop Leaders: Liz Roberts and Claire Styles, Project Managers, The Reading Agency & guests from the Headspace Lottery Programme Workshop 3 - Community Engagement : Implementing the Community Libraries Programme Workshop Leaders: David Potts, Community Libraries Programme Support Officer, MLA and Sarah Wilkie, Programme Manager, MLA</p>

	<p>Workshop 4 - Designing 21st century services in a heritage building Workshop Leader: Gordon Anderson, Service Development Manager, The Mitchell Library</p>
17.00	Return to Marriott Hotel from library visit and workshops
19.15	Civic reception – Hosted by the Lord Provost of the City Of Glasgow, Bob Winter
20.00	Conference dinner After dinner speaker : Alan Taylor, Sunday Herald Ceilidh with The Reel Thing
	FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER
09.30	<p>Back on track - libraries and reading</p> <p>Where is it all going and how will the National Year of Reading help? Kate Mosse, best selling author and founder of the Orange Prize Miranda McKearney, Director, The Reading Agency Joanna Prior, Head of Marketing, Penguin</p>
11.00	Refreshments and exhibition viewing
11.30	<p>Reading for social justice</p> <p>Book festivals and reading projects Andrew Kelly, Cultural Consultant</p> <p>Turning sympathy into action Helen Brazier, Head of Library Services, RNIB</p> <p>More vital than ever: libraries supporting new adult readers Genevieve Clark, National Coordinator, The Vital Link, The Reading Agency</p>
13.00	Closing remarks and thanks Pamela Tulloch, Chair, Public Libraries Group
13.15	Lunch and depart

