

Building a Success of Tomorrow's Schools

Ministerial launch of DCSF/PfS guidance on Standard Specifications, Layouts and Dimensions (SSLD) for School Buildings

12 May 2008 at the RIBA,
66 Portland Place, London W1B 1AD

Building Schools for the Future is the biggest school building programme in generations. A key aspect of its successful delivery are standardised approaches to help maximise value for money and set standards of design quality for school buildings. DCSF and PfS have worked with leading architects and suppliers to develop a suite of guidance and are holding a major event with key players to launch the guidance and to explore the opportunities for standardisation.

The Schools Minister, Jim Knight, and the Chief Executive of Partnerships for Schools, Tim Byles, will officially launch this guidance. Their messages will be reinforced by experienced clients and senior figures from the industry, with speakers from Buildoffsite, RIBA, CABE, NHS LIFT Programme, GlaxoSmithKline, Hampshire County Council and Skanska.

The aim of the SSLD initiative is to help disseminate best practice and avoid 'reinventing the wheel' every time a school is designed, so that consistently high quality environments can be delivered, offering best whole life value for money - but without compromising design flair. Standardised approaches will support the move towards more off-site construction, which should drive improvements in health and safety, reduce waste, and deliver quicker and more sustainable solutions.

Areas currently covered by the initiative include: partitions, floor finishes, design of toilets, lighting systems, roof coverings, stairways, doorsets, sprinkler installations and learning space dimensions.

Who should attend?

- School and local authority building clients
- Designers and other building professionals
- Contractors and LEP bidders
- Manufacturers
- Suppliers

The Royal Institute of British Architects Client Forums tailor activities to the needs and aspirations of the clients within the health, education, sport and housing sectors. The aims and objectives of the initiative are:

RIBA Client Forums

- To improve the performance of both clients and design professionals to ensure that value for money, fitness for purpose and quality are achieved in the projects they undertake.
- To encourage clients and design professionals to understand and embrace strategic issues, to inform and improve specific developments.
- To research the needs of building users and explore the success of projects, in order to influence future developments.
- To publicise successful schemes and highlight examples of good practice, as perceived by the client whilst exploring the implications of social, institutional and technological change.
- To influence those who commission buildings to appreciate long-term issues rather than short-term, low cost solutions.

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| 9.00 | Registration and Networking - a chance to visit Event mini-exhibition |
| 10.00 | Welcome and Overview from Event Chairman <i>Richard Ogden, Chairman of Buildoffsite</i> |
| 10.10 | Overview of SSLD Guidance Documents and next steps - <i>Alan Jones, DCSF</i> |
| 10.30 | CABE view on standardisation and offsite <i>Richard Simmons, Chief Executive of CABE</i> |
| 10.50 | Coffee |
| 11.00 | Two Case Studies from other sectors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lessons for standardisation in NHS LIFT projects - <i>George Farley, Community Health Partnerships</i> Step Change through standardisation - <i>Speaker TBA GlaxoSmithKline</i> |
| 11.40 | Q & A Session |
| 11.50 | Opportunity for delegates to attend one of four concurrent workshops (repeated in the afternoon). The workshops will each address the significance of the SSLD Guidance in support of key topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making SSLD happen - the supplier and contractors' perspective, <i>facilitated by Jeremy Wagge, Skanska.</i> Making SSLD happen - the design perspective, <i>facilitated by Beech Williamson, PfS and Michal Cohen of Walters and Cohen, architects.</i> Driving efficiencies through LEPs, with lessons from the Lift Innovation Trial, <i>facilitated by Russell Symes, PfS and George Farley, NHS.</i> Offsite construction solutions for schools, <i>facilitated by Richard Ogden, Buildoffsite.</i> |
| 12.50 | Lunch break, networking and chance to visit exhibition |

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| 14.00 | Keynote Address - <i>Jim Knight MP, Schools Minister</i> |
| 14.20 | Delivering high quality school environments and efficiencies through LEPs - <i>Tim Byles, Chief Executive of PfS</i> |
| 14.40 | Discussion Panel on opportunities and challenges of standardisation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tim Byles, PfS Stefan Jacobek, RIBA Richard Gooden, Assistant Head of Architecture, Hampshire CC Jeremy Wagge, Education Design Director, Skanska Integrated Projects Michael Ankers, Chief Executive of Construction Products Association Alan Jones, DCSF |
| 15.00: | Q&A Session |
| 15.15: | Opportunity for Delegates to attend one of four concurrent workshops. The workshops will each address the significance of the SSLD Guidance in support of key topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making SSLD happen - the supplier and contractors' perspective, <i>facilitated by Jeremy Wagge, Skanska.</i> Making SSLD happen - the design perspective, <i>facilitated by Beech Williamson, PfS and Michal Cohen of Walters and Cohen, architects.</i> Driving efficiencies through LEPs, with lessons from the Lift Innovation Trial, <i>facilitated by Russell Symes, PfS and George Farley, NHS</i> Offsite construction solutions for schools, <i>facilitated by Richard Ogden, Buildoffsite.</i> |
| 16.15: | Close, tea and exhibition. |

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Delegate's fee per workshop:
£175.00 including VAT payable to RIBA
Workshop fees include: attendance, delegate pack and buffet

Please complete booking form and return to:

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RIBA Policy and International Relations
66 Portland Place
London W1B 1AD
Phone 0207 307 3612
Or faxback 0207 307 3720

I would like to book

Title _____ First name _____

Surname _____

Organisation _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Telephone _____

Fax _____

I would like to attend the following two workshops:

(Please tick boxes)

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Email _____

(Confirmation of place will be sent by email)

I enclose a cheque for £ _____

Completed form denotes a booked place and will be confirmed in writing within 7 days.
Any cancellation before May 5 will be non-refundable. Bookings are transferable
Booking must be received before Thursday 8 May 2008