



REALISING THE VALUE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD

DRIVING ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENABLING PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM, SUPPORTING SERVICE DELIVERY, PROVIDING SOCIAL VALUE

INTRODUCTION

ACES is the only professional body exclusively dedicated to public property. It is a members' networking association where the main reason for getting together is to help each other do their jobs through mutual support. Members are senior professionals from a local authority or similar public sector body, or people who are wholly or substantially working for or on behalf of the public sector.

OBJECTIVES

- To influence the formation of regulation, policies and strategies governing the use of public sector property assets
- To promote opportunities and best practice in the effective use and management of assets in order to support organisational priorities of the public sector
- To equip our members in their work by supporting and encouraging them in the continual development of their personal and professional effectiveness
- To seek representation from every local authority and public sector body

HOW DO WE WORK

- National annual Conference organised by the President
- National Council meetings
- Regional branch meetings including CPD topics
- CPD learning and networking events
- Liaison officers for key topics – regeneration, health, sustainability, valuation etc
- Award winning quarterly 'Terrier' journal
- Website forum
- Regular meetings with many government and public sector bodies and RICS

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WHAT OUR MEMBERS HAVE SAID

- It is the only association for promoting and supporting the highest standards of performance through the provision of professional development and the sharing of innovation and best practice for strategic asset and general estates, property and facilities management across the public sector
- It has made me look at things differently and in doing so has improved my performance, saved me time and my authority money
- With over 100 years plus experience it knows how and when to reinvent itself to meet the challenges of the day
- It provides access to property support and knowledge and professional and technical development for ACES members and their staff from the largest and most diverse body of senior public sector property professionals;
- It raises the status, profile, credibility and value of the advice of the property professional throughout the public sector
- It is a good forum for promoting and facilitating collaborative property working between public, private and community sector
- Being a member is the best way of understanding the changing role of public sector property and challenges and opportunities we will face in the future
- It minimises the chance of costly mistakes through lack of knowledge or experience
- It provides the most effective means to keep up to date and ahead of the game in the public sector property arena
- It enabled me to raise the profile of my public sector body and own profile within the property community.
- It is highly regarded in the property world so being a member has helped with introductions and property negotiations, particularly with the private sector.
- Winning the ACES award for excellence raised my profile and that of my public body and has been a great motivational tool.
- Articles in the Terrier have been widely beneficial and have helped with policy development and property negotiations.
- The benefit to me is being able to raise a problem at a branch meeting and receive practical advice from those that have been there before; a problem shared is a problem halved
- It provides the most focused and affordable CPD at local and national level for both myself and my estate surveyors
- Learning from others who have outsourced services has been a great help to me in appointing the right consultants and not getting locked into inappropriate agreements.
- Being able through ACES to join a consortium for rating services has saved the need to procure separately
- At the recent ACES national conference I was able to identify several potential initiatives to introduce to my employer and to stimulate transformational change
- Implementation of new asset management software relied heavily on discussing systems with other local authorities which was facilitated through ACES networking
- Many times it has enabled early insight into the changing public policy agenda which has enabled policy development and strategic thought back in our office
- A recent ACES seminar delivered on regeneration offered very sound advice on a range of issues for me to use in the future