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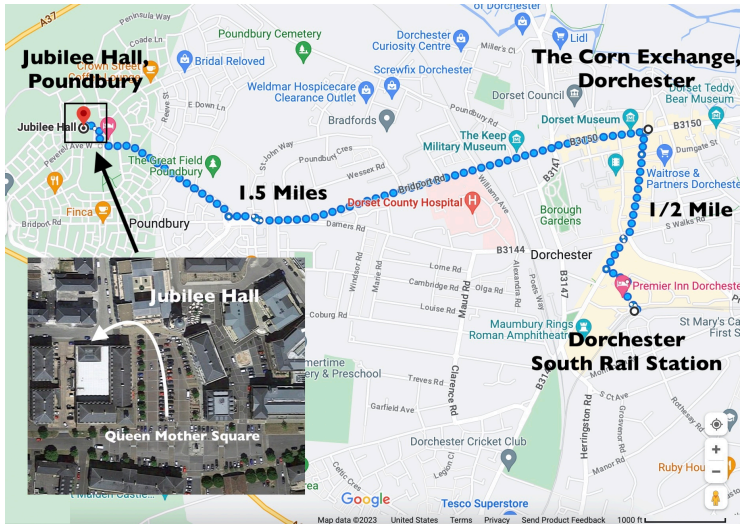
## **PROGRAMME**

**October 10-14, 2023  
Dorchester / Poundbury, UK**

**“THE ECOLOGY OF PLACE:  
*From Understanding to ACTION*”**



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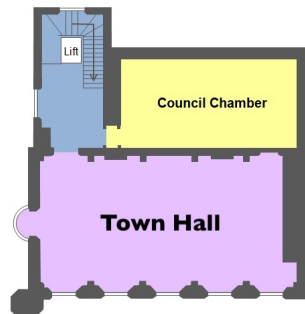


## MAP OF DORCHESTER AND POUNDURY

### GROUND FLOOR



### FIRST FLOOR



## CORN EXCHANGE BUILDING PLAN

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## MONDAY, October 9

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5-7 PM

### London Reception: Garrison Chapel

*Hosted by The Prince's Foundation and INTBAU  
Welcome by Michael Mehaffy, IMCL  
Welcome by Harriet Wennberg, INTBAU  
Presentation by Ben Bolgar, The Prince's Foundation  
Self-guided Walking Tour*

## TUESDAY, October 10

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5-7 PM

### Poundbury Reception: Jubilee Hall

*Hosted by The Duchy of Cornwall  
Welcome by Michael Mehaffy, IMCL Exec. Director  
Welcome: the Mayor of Dorchester, Councillor Alistair Chisholm  
Welcome by Ben Murphy, Estates Director, Duchy of Cornwall*

## WEDNESDAY, October 11

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8-9 AM

### Registration and Networking

*The Corn Exchange  
Coffee and snacks, exhibit and book sales upstairs*

9:00 AM

### Opening Session

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange  
Welcome: Michael Mehaffy, IMCL Executive Director  
Short film: The Progress We've Made*

9:10 AM

### Plenary 1: A Movement that Aims to Put People First

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*  
**Lessons from Poundbury**  
*Ben Murphy, Estates Manager, Duchy of Cornwall*  
**From Port Grimaud to Le Plessis-Robinson**  
*Xavier Bohl, Principal, Atelier Xavier Bohl*  
**Carmel, Indiana: 28 Years of Suburban Retrofit**  
*Jim Brainard, Mayor, Carmel, Indiana*  
**Taking Good Urbanism Global: Planning for Rapid Urbanisation**  
*Savini Rajapakse, Engagement Manager, The Prince's Foundation*

PANEL DISCUSSION

10:30 AM

## **Refreshments and Networking**

*Coffee and snacks, exhibit and book sales upstairs*

11:00 AM

## **Plenary 2: New Science, New (Old) Cities for People**

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*

### **The New (Old) Science of Cities for People**

*Semir Zeki, University College London, and Nikos Salingaros, The University of Texas at Austin (via video)*

### **Architectural Neuroimmunology: Assessing the Impact of Architectural Form on Human Neuroinflammation**

*Cleo Valentine, University of Cambridge*

### **Journey to the Center of The Brain: Speculations on How the Multiple Facets of Urban Neuroscience Light a Path to Humanistic Urbanism**

*Nir Buras, Classic Planning*

*Institute*

### **Can Coding Enact “System A” at Large Scale?**

*Sergio Porta, University of Strathclyde*

**PANEL DISCUSSION**

12:20 PM

## **“Speed Presentations”**

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12:40 PM

## **Lunch Break**

*Visit Dorchester, or make your way to Poundbury for afternoon breakouts*

2:30 PM

## **AFTERNOON BREAKOUTS**

*In the Corn Exchange, Dorchester, or in Jubilee Hall, Poundbury*

2:30 PM

## **Breakout IA: Urban Resilience and Adaptation**

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*

### **Urban Life in the Slow Lane: Timeframes of Resilience and Adaptation**

*Robert Adam, Principal, Robert Adam Consultancy*

### **Developing Resilient and Liveable Cities: Learning from the Covid-19 Pandemic**

*Sara Alidoust*

### **Research for Sustainability and Resilience in Urban Regions in Southeast Asia**

*Marcia Giacomini*

- 2:30 PM      **Breakout IB: Building Diverse, Complete, Walkable, Transit-Served Neighborhoods**  
*Town Hall (upstairs), The Corn Exchange*  
**Suburban Remix: Introducing a New Era of "Walkable Density"**  
*David Dixon, Stantec Urban Places*  
**The Sociality of Complete Neighborhoods**  
*Robert Gibbs, Gibbs Planning Group*  
**Transit Oriented Development (TOD) at Blok M-Jakarta**  
*Felia Srinaga, University of Pelita Harapan*
- 2:30 PM      **Breakout IC: Lessons for Cities and Towns After COVID**  
*Magistrates' Room, The Corn Exchange*  
**Beyond Bazalgette: Public Health and Resilience in Decentralized Urban Design**  
*Anirban Adhya, Lawrence Technical University*  
**20-Minute Neighborhoods in Saudi Arabia**  
*Musaad Almosaind and Nora Bakhamees, King Saud University*  
**Lessons From COVID-19 in Retail Resilience**  
*Jihyun Che, Seoul National University*
- 2:30 PM      **Breakout ID: Secrets of Poundbury**  
*Meet at Jubilee Hall, Poundbury*  
**Tour and Discussion, led by the Duchy of Cornwall**
- 3:45 PM      **Refreshments and Networking**  
*Coffee and snacks, exhibit and book sales upstairs*
- 4:15 PM      **Breakout 2A: Changing Global Urbanisation: Challenges and Opportunities**  
*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*  
**The Challenge of Realizing Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030 Sustainable Urban Initiatives**  
*Faisal Almubarak and Dania Alarfaj, King Saud University*  
**Two Thousand New, Million-Person Cities by 2050 – We Can Do It!**  
*Steehen Goldie, Abu Dhabi Department of Municipalities & Transport*  
**The Challenge of Shrinking Cities: A Cross-City Comparative Study**  
*Gukhwa Jang, Seoul National University*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 2B: Urban and Suburban Retrofits**

*Town Hall (upstairs), The Corn Exchange*

**Beyond the Dormitory Towns in South Korea: Case Studies in Retrofitting**

*Seonah Gwak, Seoul National University*

**The City's Invitation to the Shepherds: Faith Communities in the Suburbs**

*John Haigh, Benedictine College*

**From Vision to Action: Planning, Designing, and Delivering Restored Connections**

*Rick Phillips, rp/PLACE/, and David Woltering, Woltering Community Planning*

**Rebuilding New Orleans: Restoring Claiborne Avenue to its Pre-Freeway Beauty**

*Amy Stelly, Claiborne Avenue Alliance Design Studio*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 2C: Livable Cities for ALL: Affordability and Diversity Beyond NIMBYism**

*Magistrates' Room, The Corn Exchange*

**Design for Inclusiveness: Case Studies from Australia**

*Jenny Donovan, Inclusive Design*

**Let the Neighbors Decide, Too: Prospects for Submunicipal Land Use Decision-making**

*Michael Gleba, Northeastern University*

**The Alley House: Towards Social and Environmental Justice**

*Pamela Harwood, Ball State University*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 2D: Poundbury & Dorchester Walkabout**

*Jubilee Hall, Poundbury*

**Christopher Alexander on Miss-Takes: Assessing Fabricated versus Generated Structure**

*Jenny Quillien, Sustasis Foundation*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 2E: The Ecology of Poundbury**

*Meet in front of Jubilee Hall, Poundbury*

**Tour and discussion, led by the Duchy of Cornwall**

5:30 PM

**Breakouts End**

7:00 PM

**Awards Dinner (Ticket Holders)**

*Town Hall (upstairs), The Corn Exchange*

## THURSDAY, October 12

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8-9 AM

### **Registration and Networking**

*The Corn Exchange*

*Coffee and snacks, exhibit and book sales upstairs*

9:00 AM

### **Opening Session**

*Welcome and Overview: Michael Mehaffy, IMCL Executive Director*

9:05 AM

### **Plenary 3: Why Public Space Matters: The Connective Tissue of Cities**

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*

#### **Why Public Space Matters**

*Setha Low, The Graduate School, C.U.N.Y.*

#### **Urban Design and the Civic Ecology of Place**

*David Brain, New College of Florida*

#### **Propositions for a Meaningful Public Space**

*Vikas Mehta, University of Cincinnati*

#### **Public Space and its Critical Importance in Africa**

*Ayanda Roji, Center on African Public Spaces*

PANEL DISCUSSION

10:30 AM

### **Refreshments and Networking**

*Coffee and snacks, exhibit and book sales upstairs*

11:00 AM

### **Plenary 4: Meeting the Challenge of “Changing the Paradigm”**

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*

#### **Strong Towns: Growing Great Places and Ending the Hidden Subsidies for Sprawl**

*Charles Marohn, Strong Towns*

#### **It’s Not Housing that Costs Too Much - It’s Land that Costs Too Much**

*Patrick Condon, University of British Columbia*

#### **The architect is just a vehicle; the wholeness generates the design**

*Yodan Rofé, Ben Gurion University of the Negev*

#### **Tall Buildings Reconsidered: Assessing the Evidence**

*Rachelle Alterman, The Technion, Israel Institute of Technology*

PANEL DISCUSSION

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2:30 PM

## **AFTERNOON BREAKOUTS**

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2:30 PM

### **Breakout 3A: Walkable Cities: Learning from Evidence, and History**

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*

#### **No Excuse for Apathy: An Alternative Crash Analysis Framework To Heal Our Communities**

*Charles Marohn, Strong Towns*

#### **Developing a Robust Methodology to Quantify the Walkability of Residential Developments**

*Hal Mellen and Alessandro Venerandi, ADAM Architecture*

#### **Urban Morphometrics for Coding: The Case of Lichfield**

*Sergio Porta and Alessandro Venerandi, University of Strathclyde*

#### **Learning from Historic Settlement Patterns and Christopher Wren for Today's Global Development**

*Christine Storry, Utopia Architects*

2:30 PM

### **Breakout 3B: Public Participation Amid Controversy and Misinformation (Part I)**

*Town Hall, The Corn Exchange*

#### **The Enquiry by Design: Case Studies from The Prince's Foundation**

*Ben Bolgar, The Prince's Foundation*

#### **The Intentional City: Civic Urbanism By Design**

*David Brain, New College of Florida*

#### **The Charrette Process: Innovations and Case Studies**

*Bill Lennertz, National Charrette Institute*

2:30 PM

### **Breakout 3C: Case Studies of Making Cities Livable (Part I)**

*Magistrates' Room, The Corn Exchange*

#### **Social Housing Stories: Experiences from Urban Quality to Social Impact in the City of Turin**

*Maurizio Marco Bocconcinno, Politecnico di Torino*

#### **Case Study of Effective Financial Tools and Strategies in Carmel, Indiana USA**

*Henry Mestetsky, City of Carmel, Indiana USA*

#### **Case study of Seabrook, Washington, USA**

*Laurence Qamar, Qamar and Associates*

#### **The Critical Role of the "Town Architect" in Successful Communities**

*Michael Watkins, Michael Watkins LLC*

2:30 PM

**Breakout 3D**

**The Poundbury Dialogues: Christopher Alexander and Process-Based Planning**

*Jubilee Hall, Poundbury*

**Workshop**

*Or Ettlinger, Susan Ingham, Yodan Rofè*

3:45 PM

**Refreshments and Networking**

*Coffee and snacks, exhibit and book sales upstairs*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 4A: Making Human-Centred Cities**

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*

**An Evaluation of Emotions Induced by Biophilic Lighting Colours**

*Annabelle Hill, Aalborg University*

**Taking Good Urbanism Mainstream: Building a Popular Movement**

*Milly Main, Street Level Australia*

**Beyond "Of Our Time:" Rebuilding Public Spaces and Places in Canada's National Capital**

*Alain Miguelez, National Capital Commission of Canada*

**Ordinary People's Aesthetic Preferences in Architecture**

*Justin Shubow, National Civic Art Society*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 4B: Public Participation Amid Controversy and Misinformation (Part II)**

*Town Hall, The Corn Exchange*

**Workshop Format**

*Ben Bolgar, David Brain, Bill Lennertz*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 4C: Case Studies of Making Cities Livable (Part II)**

*Magistrates; Room, The Corn Exchange*

**Driving a Paradigm Shift in Planning and Decision**

**Making: The Case of Kaarina, Finland**

*Marjo Uotila, City of Kaarina, Finland*

**Lessons from Norton Commons, KY USA: Civic Design and Common Good**

*David Tomes, Town Founder, Norton Commons*

**Growing Urban Infrastructure: Urban Agriculture as Ecological Place-Based Community Development**

*Scott Truex, Sustainable Communities Institute*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 4D**

**The Poundbury Dialogues: Building Beauty**

*Jubilee Hall, Poundbury*

**Workshop**

*Or Ettlinger, Susan Ingham, Yodan Rofé*

5:30 PM

Breakouts End

7:00 PM

**Evening Plenary: Populism, and “Popularism”**

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*

**Cities for People, or Cities for Cars?**

*George Ferguson, Bristol, UK*

**Why Beauty Still Matters – More Than Ever**

*Nicholas Boys Smith, UK Government Office for Place, Create Streets*

**Nansledan: Design and Delivery of Popular Development**

*Hugh Petter, ADAM Architecture*

*PANEL DISCUSSION: George Ferguson, Nicholas Boys Smith, and Hugh Petter, joined by Justin Shubow, Patrick Condon, and members of the audience*

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**FRIDAY, October 13**

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8-9 AM

**Registration and Networking**

*The Corn Exchange*

*Coffee and snacks*

9:00 AM

**Opening Session**

*Welcome and Orientation: Michael Mehaffy, IMCL Executive Director*

9:10 AM

**Plenary 5: Developing and Sharing the Tools and Strategies**

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*

**Complete Neighborhood’s Retail Best Practices**

*Robert Gibbs, Gibbs Planning Group*

**The Original Green: Collective Intelligence for Sustainability**

*Steve Mouzon, Mouzon Design*

**Possible Urban Regenerations in Education and Practice**

*Ettore Mazzola, University of Notre Dame*

**Jane Jacobs was Right: Now Let’s Act On It**

*Nicholas Boys Smith, UK Government Office for Place*

*PANEL DISCUSSION*

- 10:30 AM **Refreshments and Networking**  
*Coffee and snacks*
- 11:00 AM **Plenary 6: Disseminating the Tools and Strategies More Widely**  
*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*  
**The Work of the Prince's Foundation**  
*Ben Bolgar, The Prince's Foundation*  
**A Practice of Restorative Urbanism: Design, Policy, and the Evolution of Place**  
*Mallory Baches, Congress for the New Urbanism*  
**The Work of the International Network for Traditional Building, Architecture and Urbanism**  
*Harriet Wennberg, INTBAU*  
**The Work of UN-Habitat and the Central Role of Public Space**  
*Jose Chong, UN-Habitat*
- PANEL DISCUSSION
- 12:20 PM **“Speed Presentations”**  
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- 12:40 PM **Lunch Break**  
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- 2:30 PM **AFTERNOON BREAKOUTS**  
*In the Corn Exchange, or in Jubilee Hall, Poundbury*
- 2:30 PM **Breakout 5A**  
**Christopher Alexander's Unfinished Work**  
*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*  
**Building Beauty in Theory and Practice**  
*Susan Ingham, KASA Architecture and Building Beauty*  
**How Patterns Contribute to Achieving SDG 11 Goals in Urban Design**  
*Robert Krasser, The Pattern Community*  
**Delight's Muse: Exploring Christopher Alexander's Magnum Opus, The Nature of Order**  
*Jenny Quillien, Sustasis Foundation*  
**The Wholeness Generates the Design: Unifying Beauty and Function**  
*Yodan Rofè, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and Building Beauty*

2:30 PM

**Breakout 5B**

**The Ecology of Cities I: The Nature of Cities**

*Town Hall, The Corn Exchange*

**Toward an "Ecology of Place:" Civic Intentions, Actor Networks, and Spatial Patterns**

*David Brain, New College of Florida*

**Coding the Ecology. Form-based Codes and the Logic of Continuity**

*Michał Dominiczak, Łódź University of Technology*

**The Ecology of Urban Centers and Corridors**

*Kathleen Galvin, Renaissance Planning*

**Urban Planning in Colonial Contexts: Case Study of Morocco**

*Noussayba Rahmouni, Kyoto University*

2:30 PM

**Breakout 5C**

**Ecological Placemaking: Tools and Strategies**

*Magistrates' Room, The Corn Exchange*

**The Edible Metropolis: Designing a City Around Food**

*Ryan Smolar, PlacemakingUS*

**Enhancing Public Understanding and Adoption of Ecological Placemaking Principles through Simulation and Gaming**

*Louis Burns, Urban Prosperity Network*

2:30 PM

**Breakout 5D: Inside Poundbury, Part I**

*Jubilee Hall, Poundbury*

*Join leading Poundbury architects Ben Pentreath of Ben Pentreath LTD. and George Samaurez Smith of ADAM Architecture for an insider's tour!*

3:45 PM

**Refreshments and Networking**

*Coffee and snacks, exhibit and book sales upstairs*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 6A: Public Space Tools and Governance**

*Main Hall, The Corn Exchange*

**Public Space Toolkit for Wales: Co-producing Knowledge with Local Authorities**

*Patricia Aelbrecht, Cardiff University*

**Public Space in Contemporary Practice**

*Korkut Onaran, University of Colorado*

**Impromptu Encounters in Public Spaces: Promoting Well-being and Public Health**

*Maya Ljubojevic, University of Strathclyde*

**Modern Religious Influence and the Public Square**

*Josh Stewart, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 6B**

**The Ecology of Cities II: Cities and Nature**

*Town Hall, The Corn Exchange*

**The Critical Role of Ecosystems Services: Case Study of Sweden**

*Shuqi Li, Harbin Institute of Technology*

**Living on the Edge: Preserving and Integrating Agricultural Lands into Urbanization**

*Mahdi Tavanpour, Independent Researcher*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 6C: Environmental Structure Research Group (ESRG) Symposium**

*Magistrates' Room, The Corn Exchange*

**An assessment of the work of Christopher Alexander and the ongoing research done by former associates and other interested parties in architecture, planning, computer science, biology, mathematics, and other fields**

*With David Brain, Or Ettliger, Susan Ingham, Robert Krasser, Michael Mehaffy, Jenny Quillien, Yodan Rofe, others TBD*

4:15 PM

**Breakout 6D: Inside Poundbury, Part 2**

*Jubilee Hall, Poundbury*

*Join leading Poundbury architects Ben Pentreath of Ben Pentreath LTD. and George Samaurez Smith of ADAM Architecture for an insider's tour!*

5:30 PM

**Breakouts End**

7:00 PM

**Closing Party!**

*Jubilee Hall, Poundbury*

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**SATURDAY, October 14**

10-11:30 AM

**In-Depth Poundbury Tour**

*Starts in front of the Duchess of Cornwall Hotel and Pub*

## NOTES

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