

Venue: **CIPFA, 77 Mansell Street, London E1 8AN**

Date: **Tuesday 25th April, 2023**



GREEN FINANCE TRAINING

Programme

(Programme subject to change)

- 09:30 **Registration**
- 10:00 **Welcome and purpose of the day**
Mark Williams, Advisor, Alternative Service Delivery Network, CIPFA
- 10:15 **Local authority powers, capacity and co-ordination**
Louise Marix Evans, Quantum Strategy & Technology
- Setting the scene: delivering net zero
 - Challenges and opportunities in bringing private finance
 - Local authority powers for spending, borrowing, investing and procuring
 - Better co-ordination between financial and climate imperatives
- 10:30 **National policy context**
Neil Witney, Local Net Zero Team, BEIS
- What does the Green Finance Strategy mean for local government?
 - What should local authorities be doing to gear up to take new opportunities to attract external investment to help them deliver their climate and environment objectives?
 - What are central government and its agencies doing to support local authorities in this and to facilitate access to advice, skills, capacity and funding?
- 10:45 **Group exercise: discussion drawing on good-practice tools/approaches**
Mark Williams, CIPFA
- 11:30 **Break**
- 11:45 **Mobilising local net zero investments**
Sophie Kempthorne, Innovate UK plus guest
- 12:15 **Investing to tackle the climate emergency**
Karl Harder, Co-founder and Director, Abundance Investment
Joseph Holmes, Executive Director - Resources, West Berkshire Council
- Investing in local authority projects
 - Future municipal investment opportunities
 - Case study
- 12:45 **Networking lunch**
- 13:45 **Group exercise: discussion drawing on good-practice tools/approaches**
Mark Williams, CIPFA
- 14:05 **Bristol City Leap Joint Venture**
Alex Minshull, Bristol City Council
- 14:35 **UK Infrastructure Bank**
David Forbes, Director, Local Authority Advisory plus guest (TBC)
- 15:05 **Dragons' Den**
- 15:50 **Reflections**
Mark Williams, CIPFA and Hannah Bartram, Chief Executive, ADEPT
- What have we learned?
 - How can we use it?
 - How can we build a common understanding of green finance between place and finance teams?
 - What do you need from us (ADEPT and CIPFA)?
- 16:00 **Close**