









Sheffield Design Panel Members, 2022-25

1	David Rudlin, Chair	
		<p>David is a director of URBED (Urbanism, Environment and Design), past Chair of the Academy of Urbanism and Honorary Professor at Manchester University. He was one of the principal authors of the government's National Model Design Code published July 2021 and in 2014 was the winner of the Wolfson Economics Prize. His third book Climax City, written with Shruti Hemani, was published in 2019 and he writes a monthly column for Building Design Magazine. A planner by training he has worked at URBED for 30 years leading their award-winning urban design and masterplanning work.</p>
2	Lucy Plumridge, Deputy Chair	
		<p>Lucy is an award winning Sheffield based architect with 30 years experience of working in practice. In addition to this she is an associate lecturer in architecture at Sheffield Hallam University and an active member of Sheffield Society of Architects. She is passionate about high quality sustainable design, has trained as a BREEAM assessor and has been an RIBA awards judge.</p>
3	Simon Gedye, Deputy Chair	
		<p>Simon has worked as an architect in the region for over 30 years specialising in the reuse and remodelling of buildings with particular expertise in historic areas and listed buildings. He set up his practice, Architect Studio Gedye in 2007. Recent projects include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Longshaw Cafe for the National Trust • Rawmarsh community centre • Hathersage Village Centre – RIBA East Midlands Project Architect of the Year • Sum Studios - RIBA Yorkshire Sustainability Award <p>He worked with Allen Tod Architecture in Leeds as a design director, setting up a studio in Sheffield whilst acting as a studio tutor at the University of Sheffield.</p>




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4	Andy Thomas	
		<p>Andy is an architect and founding director of Sheffield based, Thread Architects. He studied at Sheffield University and has lived and work in the region for the last 25 years. Andy has a broad experience in the education, healthcare, and residential sectors and with Thread works at a range of scales on residential, commercial and community projects. As well as his work in practice, Andy teaches at regional schools of architecture and is a panel member of the Design Midlands and Design Yorkshire design review panels now with 10 years' experience of the design review process and engaging in an open dialogue with project teams.</p>
5	Anne Daw	
		<p>After training as an architect at MIT, Anne worked for eight years as a social housing architect in the US before moving to Sheffield in 2003. Anne's design work now specialises in public sector architecture and estate master planning. Her work has won numerous design awards, including an RIBA Yorkshire Regional Award for Sheffield Hallam University's Collegiate Campus Heart building. Most recently, Anne has been helping to shift the practice of architecture toward working with industry in the development of modern methods of construction. This fundamental change has the potential to drive down carbon footprints and transform the design process.</p>
6	David Cross	
		<p>Founded and exited CODA; one of the region's leading multi-disciplinary practices specialising in all forms of housing.</p> <p>Founded Crossbow in 2013 leading to the formation of Sky-House Co and the BIG City Co. A series of development brands focusing on the 'missing-middle' of the housing market; from the first time and last time buyer to urban and rural solutions.</p> <p>Described as a purveyor of gentle density, natural sustainability, and robust, durable Architecture. A lover of terraced housing and linear master plans!</p>



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7	Deb Upadhyaya	
		<p>Deb is a passionate advocate of sustainable urbanism, delivery of quality places and value creation through collaboration/ design led innovation. Over the last 20 years, he has led delivery of large scale and complex housing, regeneration, garden communities and sustainable urban design projects, both in the public and private sector championing quality design outcomes and sustainability at the heart of the delivery process. He champions inclusion and diversity for delivering resilient legacies/ built environments and pursues practice-led research on delivering 'quality' and 'at pace' on 'sustainable development goals, smart technologies and climate change for places, people and partnerships.</p>
8	Miranda Plowden	
		<p>Miranda has 35 years' experience across all aspects of the regeneration, housing and neighbourhood renewal process in consultancy, in the third sector, in government agencies and in local government. A landscape architect and urban designer with experience of front-line community regeneration and in a range of leadership roles, her focus is on place-making and housing growth that creates opportunities for local people.</p> <p>At South Yorkshire Housing Association, she is exploring how we can deliver more and better new homes across South Yorkshire, how we achieve net zero carbon in our existing portfolio, how housing can be part of the solution to the challenges facing the UK' s health and social care system and how we can make our homes and services more joyful through design quality and the arts.</p>
9	Philip Booth	
		<p>Until he retired in 2011, Philip Booth was Reader in Town & Regional Planning at the University of Sheffield and has published widely in the fields of urban planning, comparative studies and conservation. He has been Chair of Sheffield Conservation Advisory Group since 2004.</p>




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10	Prue Chiles	
		<p>Prue is an Architect with <i>Chiles, Evans+Care Architects (CE+CA)</i> and Professor of Architectural Design Research in the School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape(APL) at Newcastle University; after many years at the University of Sheffield. Prue built up a reputation for innovative consultancy and expertise in the area of school design, community and participatory visioning regeneration and sustainable futures. She combines research with practice and teaching. She has continually forged links between the City, the University and the region in both Sheffield and Newcastle. A key interest is collaboration and transdisciplinarity, both critical in today's world. Prue has lectured widely, is chair of trustees of the Glass-House, the community-led design charity and an experienced design review panel member.</p>
11	Simon Chadwick	
		<p>Simon has been a practicing architect since 2000 and runs a small architecture practice. He is currently Director of the Undergraduate Programme at Sheffield School of Architecture and has held teaching and leadership roles at several Schools of Architecture including Glasgow School of Art, Nottingham University, and the University of Strathclyde. He has held External Examiner positions at the Universities of Newcastle and Portsmouth and been a guest academic at the University of Illinois USA, and the Central Academy of Fine Art in Beijing. He has lived in the city centre of Sheffield for ten years and has continuing involvement with Sheffield Civic Trust and Sheffield Society of Architects.</p>
12	Sylvia Hargreaves	
		<p>Sylvia Hargreaves is a Chartered Surveyor and Founder Director of Wearth (Real Estate) Ltd. Sylvia's early career experience was gained in the regeneration of the derelict Isle of Dogs in the London Docklands in the 1990's, after which she returned to the North West and established a development consultancy practice where she advised on the regeneration, development and delivery of Hulme, Manchester. In 2006 she joined Igloo Regeneration as Development Director managing the inception and delivery of complex urban developments. In 2017 she established Wearth advising the public and private sector. She is passionate about the value created from good design and sustainable approaches to development.</p>



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13	Andy Roberts	
		<p>Andy has particular expertise in leading masterplanning large-scale mixed-use developments, overseeing the design development of concepts and design codes; liaising with the delivery teams to ensure the overall framework of design principles are ultimately realised through detailed design and construction. He also has experience of developing design guidance and development frameworks within town and city centre locations, along with growth strategies as part of large-scale planning related documents.</p> <p>In recognition of his expertise the Design Council CABE appointed Andy as a Design Council Expert, and he also acts as a High Street Task Force Expert.</p>
14	Bob Hawkins	
		<p>I'm one of two representatives of the Conservation Advisory Group which advises the City Council on planning issues affecting the city's historic buildings, scheduled monuments and conservation areas. Until 2020, I was an Historic Buildings Inspector with Historic England's Listing team, having joined English Heritage in 1992. I have a special interest in Industrial and Vernacular buildings, having begun my working life at Abbeydale Industrial Hamlet as a member of the museum's staff, and cut my teeth, so to speak, on the architecture of the city and its surrounding area. I remain strongly committed to the city's historic environment in retirement.</p>
15	Brian Carter	
		<p>Brian Carter is a registered architect who worked with Arup in London prior to his appointment as Chair of Architecture at the University of Michigan. Subsequently he served as Dean of the School of Architecture and Planning at the University at Buffalo where he is currently Professor of Architecture. The author of numerous books and articles on architecture, design and the city Brian Carter has curated international exhibitions on the work of Peter Rice, Albert Kahn, Eero Saarinen, Patkau Architects and Aires Mateus.</p>



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16	Darren Burrows	
		<p>Darren Burrows is passionate about sustainable buildings and has a love for Sheffield and is keen to use his experience to help engender a sustainable future for the city. A chartered building services engineer and sustainable buildings consultant with over 20 years' experience at Mott MacDonald, he has worked on every type of building project, many in the local area. He works with design teams and constructors to help them achieve the highest levels of sustainability, through early engagement to identify key opportunities and aiding them in developing a sustainability strategy targeting highly sustainable outcomes.</p>
17	David Howarth	
		<p>David Howarth graduated from Sheffield University in 1993 and established DRDH Architects with Daniel Rosbottom in 2000. As co-director, David has joint responsibility for design direction and strategy, alongside overall responsibility for the management of the practice. The practice has offices in London and Antwerp.</p> <p>David is an experienced academic and design teacher, formerly Visiting Professor of architecture, University of Salerno and Visiting Professor at the School of Architecture, Northumbria University, Newcastle. He has taught and examined in the UK and abroad, is a member of the RIBA UK & Overseas Validation Panel and Chaired the RIBA London Awards in 2017.</p>
18	Elizabeth Motley	
		<p>Elizabeth is Head of Architecture and Urbanism at Integreat Plus. Particularly interested in helping provide sustainable solutions for future -fit/retro fit of older buildings.</p> <p>Member of Barnsley Urban Design Panel. Chair of the RIBA Yorkshire Housing Group. Previously a RIBA judge.</p> <p>Have worked extensively in Yorkshire and the Humberside, working closely with local communities and charities. Such projects include a small art house cinema, conversion of a memorial hall, conversion of a listed church building, and a community facility (straw bale construction). Extensive experience of writing design guidance. Always focused on people centred placemaking, via the three fundamentals of good design – firmness, commodity and delight!</p>




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19	Elizabeth Whitehead	
		<p>Elizabeth is an architect with over twenty-five years' experience gained in practice in Sheffield, London, Glasgow and Hampshire before co-founding Whitehead and Parkin Architects in 2010 in Sheffield. For over ten years, she has also been a part-time Associate Lecturer at Sheffield Hallam University, teaching in the undergraduate design studio.</p> <p>Elizabeth's design-led chartered practice undertakes mainly commercial and residential projects, including new-build and complex refurbishment work. Her particular specialisms are the active environmental integration of buildings with their landscape and context and low energy design.</p>
20	Emily Pieters	
		<p>Emily is an Architect with over 20 years' experience delivering schemes across the UK. She studied and qualified at Cambridge University. Working with Benoy, she led teams for the design and regeneration of many city centre projects, most recently delivering comprehensive town centre redevelopment for Wokingham Borough Council which won the RTPI 'Excellence in Planning for a Successful Economy' Award in 2020. Having returned to Sheffield, Emily is committed to making a difference in her home city. She is Director of Harmony Works, part of the successful Sheffield Gateway Levelling Up Fund bid and Design Tutor at the School of Architecture, University of Sheffield.</p>
21	John Pringle	
		<p>John Pringle is a founder of Pringle Richards Sharratt Architects since 1996: principal projects include cultural buildings in Sheffield, Oldham, Coventry, Hull, the William Morris Gallery Walthamstow, Black Cultural Archives Brixton, Pitt Rivers Museum Oxford, and buildings for Transport for London.</p> <p>He was a partner at Hopkins Architects 1978-1996: projects included Portcullis House and Westminster Station, Schlumberger Cambridge, Research, Bracken House, Mound Stand Lord's Cricket Ground, Glyndebourne Opera House.</p> <p>He was a member of Historic England's Urban Panel and Expert Advisory Group 2009 – 2018, chair of the Sheffield Urban Design Review Panel 2006-2009, President of the Architectural Association 1993-95, Hon. Treasurer of the RIBA 2002-2005, member of the RIBA Validation Panel, assessor for RIBA Awards and a CABI project enabler.</p>




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22	Karen Van Vliet	<p>Kaeren is a landscape architect and urban planner with over 20 years of practice experience focusing on design quality and governance in a range of contexts including: landscape character assessment; VIA; townscape and urban analysis; master planning; public realm, transport and infrastructure projects and city centre regeneration. For the last 15 years Kaeren has worked as a planning academic at Sheffield Hallam University. In addition to leading on wider Planning course delivery areas of specialist teaching include urban design and landscape architecture modules for post graduate and Urban Planning and Architecture students. Academic research currently focuses on the design and delivery of green infrastructure within contemporary large scale residential development.</p>
23	Laura Mark	 <p>Laura Mark is an award-winning architecture critic, curator and filmmaker. She is the Keeper of Walmer Yard, where she curates a number of cultural projects which look at how we experience architecture. Laura is currently undertaking a PhD at Newcastle University and teaches at Sheffield School of Architecture. Trained as an architect, Laura worked in architectural practice before joining the editorial team of the Architects' Journal. Since leaving the AJ, she has written for several publications including RIBA Journal, Dezeen, and the Architectural Review. In 2020, Laura was named by the London Festival of Architecture and the Design Museum as one of 'an emerging generation of voices in architecture who are expanding the parameters of what architecture can be.'</p>
24	Lindsay Humblet	 <p>Lindsay is a Director and Head of Design, leading Planit-IE's landscape teams from their Greater Manchester Headquarters. Gained over thirty years, his expertise relates to town and city-wide public realm, infrastructure, and streetscape projects, but extends to masterplanning projects with a focus on quality of place. Design interventions that increase vitality and prosperity are a hallmark of Lindsay's work, attracting the attention of national and international study groups seeking to understand how transformative change is realised. His focus is increasing trained on the balance and interconnectivity of people and planet, supporting communities and clients as we collectively work towards a better future.</p>

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25	Nick Parsons	
		<p>Nick Parsons has worked for over 30 years in energy-efficient and sustainable building and renewable energy. He chaired the Environmental Advisory Group at an inner-city Housing Association until 2000. From 2000 he ran a community-sector project in Sheffield promoting sustainable building and energy efficiency before becoming self-employed in 2010. He teaches eco refurbishment at the Centre for Alternative Technology in Wales and teaches householders and contractors for Manchester-based People-Powered Retrofit. He carries out home energy surveys to assess the scope for potential energy efficiency improvements and provides consultancy services to individuals, small businesses and community organisations.</p>
26	Paul King	
		<p>Paul King is an Architect with 20 years' practice experience at Urban Splash, Ian Simpson Architects and Glenn Howells Architects in Liverpool, Manchester, and London. Paul is Deputy Head of Sheffield Hallam's School of Architecture and has over 10 years' academic experience with a focus on teaching excellence. Paul is a current Chair of the RIBA National and International Validation Panel and an external examiner at both Queen's University Belfast and Leeds School of Architecture. Paul's research focus is on sustainable digital fabrication and he is in the final stages of his PhD on at the Bartlett School of Architecture, UCL.</p>
27	Peter Cartwright	
		<p>Peter founded Cartwright Pickard with James Pickard in 1997 and leads the Manchester and Leeds studios. Celebrating its 25th birthday this year, the Practice's ethos is to meet the challenges that matter to people and planet, with architecture that looks beautiful, performs brilliantly, and grows old gracefully. Peter is a multi-award-winning Architect, with his most notable schemes including the RIBA National and BCO National award-winning Albert Works in Sheffield's Cultural Industries Quarter and landmark civic offices for Wakefield and Doncaster. He is currently leading several projects in both the workplace and residential sectors that will be net zero carbon in use.</p>

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28	Ricardo Ares	
		<p>Originally trained in Engineering, Ricardo refocused his career and has been a practising Landscape Architect since 1998. His early work was typified by variety – of character and scale – and his experience of schemes at home and abroad allowed him to hone his design skills.</p> <p>He went on to establish Ares Landscape Architects in 2011 and has since been responsible for delivering a huge portfolio of projects in the public and private sectors. He strives to create places which are sustainable, practical and beautiful. He is passionate about delivering transformation design and enhancing our common experience of the external environment.</p>
29	Robert Clark	
		<p>Robert Clark has had an extensive career in municipal energy project development and consulting covering a wide range of sustainable energy issues. He leads Greenfield Nordic, which based in Sheffield is part of the Granlund Group, a Nordic-broad-based Mechanical and Electrical and Practice. Robert and Greenfield focus on technical analysis, financial appraisal, commercial and strategic planning and project implementation.</p> <p>For more than 25 years, he has advised on low carbon design for major property developments, provided feasibility and implementation support – covering renewable energy generation, district heating and energy efficiency projects and programmes. He has supported a wide range of municipal authorities, government departments, property and energy project developers.</p>
30	Stephen Marshall	
		<p>Stephen is an Architect who has been with BDP's Sheffield studio since 1996. He has delivered of a broad portfolio of UK and international projects, covering a wide range of sectors, with values from around £1.5m to £1bn. His projects have been recognised in numerous awards schemes, including RIBA National and Regional Awards, Civic Trust Special Awards and a BCSC Gold Award. Stephen is responsible for large, mixed use and residential led masterplanning and regeneration projects and leads Housing and Urban Design within BDP's northern UK studios. Stephen has been a member of Sheffield City Council's Urban Design Review Panel since 2006.</p>