

**HEDQF Annual Conference 2019:
Designing for Wellbeing in Higher Education - Speaker biographies**

Gary Jebb, Director of Estates, University of Edinburgh



Gary Jebb has considerable experience in estates projects and facilities management and is very well known as a leader in the Estates field in the Higher Education sector.

As Director of Estates for The University of Edinburgh, Gary is responsible for one of the largest and most diverse University estates portfolio in the UK. He moved to Edinburgh from Queen's University Belfast in 2014 to lead on a major capital development programme which translates the University's academic vision into reality. During his tenure at Queen's, Gary delivered a ten-year transformational estates strategy.

Before joining the University sector, he worked in the private sector as a Chartered Surveyor.

Rab Bennetts, Founding Director, Bennetts Architects



Rab Bennetts co-founded Bennetts Associates in 1987 with his partner Denise Bennetts and established its reputation for architecture and professionalism at the highest level. To date, the practice has accrued more than 150 awards, including shortlisting for the RIBA Stirling Prize three times and UK Architect of the Year on four occasions.

Since the early 1990s, Rab has pioneered the link between sustainable design and high-quality architecture and is a founder of the UK Green Building Council. He continues to take a personal, hands-on approach to projects, fostering a collaborative spirit throughout the practice's activities.

An active, engaging public speaker, Rab often participates in lectures, seminars and panel discussions exploring the practice's rich history, design principles and sustainability initiatives. Rab additionally advises on architect selection procedures, design competitions and construction industry research projects. Rab is co-chairman of the Sadler's Wells Foundation and, in 2003, was awarded the OBE for services to architecture.

Karen Pickering - Chair of the Board of Directors, Page \ Park Architects



Karen joined Page\Park in 1992, having graduated from the Glasgow School of Art.

Karen is the driving force in the delivery of the extensive portfolio of Higher Education and Healthcare buildings. She holds RIAS accreditation in both Conservation and Sustainable Design.

She is chair of the board of directors at Page\Park, and a board member for both Women in Property Scotland and Scotland for Employee Ownership. Her standing in architectural communities is recognised by her continued roles as an assessor for the Civic Trust Awards, and as a business contributor to the Scottish Government Economy and Fair Work Committee.

Karen has an impressive record of delivering projects, having overseen a total of 27 building projects from conception to completion. Notably she lead the delivery of the Kelvin Hall, Glasgow, the first building in the UK to bring together Museum archive and sports facilities to create a cross-cultural destination.

Julian Robinson, Chairman of HEDQF and Director of Estates, London School of Economics



Julian is Director of Estates at the London School of Economics, responsible for the delivery of all capital development, facilities and property management. He has delivered many high-profile projects including the RIBA London Building of the Year 2014, when the LSE was also named AJ100 Client of the Year.

Holding post graduate qualifications in Town Planning and Surveying, most of his working life spent as a client-side project manager. He was a CABE Enabler and is a Founding Trustee and Chair of the Higher Education Design Quality Forum (HEDQF).

In September 2016, Julian was made an Honorary Fellow of the RIBA and appointed to the National panel for Civic Trust Awards in 2017.

Jim MacDonald, Chief Executive, Architecture and Design Scotland



Jim has over 25 years' experience of planning, urban design and heritage issues across the UK, 15 of these in senior leadership roles. He took up his current post in 2010 and has led A&DS through a period of change to help the organisation make best use of its skills and expertise.

Prior to his current post, Jim worked at Historic Scotland, Glasgow City Council, North Lanarkshire Council, the City of Westminster and English Heritage. During this time, he has worked on housing, commercial and regeneration projects, led the development of policy at local and national levels and spoken and written about planning, design and heritage issues across the UK and Europe.

He is a chartered Town Planner, Fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and Honorary Fellow of the Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland. He is also a Non-Executive Director of the Edinburgh World Heritage Trust, Chair of Old Town Projects Ltd., a volunteer with Planning Aid Scotland and a Director of Skye Connect.

Marie Dariel, International Life and Executive Coach



Marie Dariel is a certified wellbeing coach and consultant working both with individuals and organisations to develop people's excellence. to develop people's excellence. She currently works alongside leading professionals from Chanel, The World Bank, UN Environment, Pierre Marcolini, Westminster University, Harlow College, Harlow Council and several charities and schools.

Marie has more than 15 years of experience in capacity building and city engagement with the United Nations and in developing wellbeing strategies in the private and academic sectors in Paris, Shanghai and London.

In London, she has been the Wellbeing expert for the redevelopment of the former BBC Television Centre in White City (Stanhope and Mitsui Fudosan), as well as a Wellbeing adviser for Hawksmoor Group, British Land, Grafton, Arqiva and Arup. She is an appointed member of London Higher's Task Force on Mental Health and Wellbeing for 27 British universities.

She has lived and worked on four continents, enjoys particularly experiential approaches to innovate and improve communities' quality of life and has always been driven by a passion to help people blossom and be at their best.

Helen Groves, Architect Director, Atkins Global



Helen is an Architect with 20 years' experience in the Education Sector. As Head of Education Architecture for Atkins, she brings together their team designing everything from nurseries to university facilities. Helen has a passion for working with stakeholders to promote the value of good design, whilst embedding the importance of human centred design and wellbeing.

Eleanor Magennis, Senior Project Development Manager, University of Glasgow



Eleanor Magennis is a Chartered Architect by background. After 10 years as an Architect at Glasgow City Council, she has spent the last 19 years in Higher Education leading on Strategic Planning of the estate, effective Space Management, innovative learning / academic space design, post occupancy evaluations and championing inclusive design.

She has contributed to several sector wide projects including the Learning Spaces toolkit. She has been a member of the Higher Education Design Quality forum since 2002 and in 2016 contributed to a RIBA book on the Future Academic campus. Eleanor is also a member of the Society for College and University Planners and is part of their Planning Academy.

At the University of Strathclyde, as Assistant Director of Estates Services, she was a major driving force in their £350M estates strategy. Currently Senior Project Development Manager at the University of Glasgow she is developing a number of major projects as part of their £1 billion estates strategy.

John Curry, Capital Projects Manager, SRUC Property and Estates Group



John has been the Capital Projects Manager at Scotland's Rural College (SRUC), with its complex estate scattered across over 20 sites across Scotland, for the past 10 years.

He has over 18 years' experience in private and public sector development, driven by a desire to create adaptable human centred architecture that helps people thrive in every aspect of their lives, positively enhancing community, place and environment.

To support their Strategic Plan, the College has focused its efforts on driving up the quality of its estate, on understanding the needs of its unique academic communities and providing a human focus on space, environment, wellbeing and technology to create a diverse, agile and effective workplace environment that enables collaboration, creativity, social interaction, active learning, relaxation and private work.

Henry Pelly, Senior Sustainability Consultant, Max Fordham



Henry is a Sustainability Consultant at Max Fordham with an academic background in Environmental Psychology and Environmental Design. He leads Max Fordham's Wellbeing service. Henry is a qualified WELL AP and Fitwel Ambassador and has facilitated and developed Wellbeing strategies for a number of organisations, including the Soil Association and the National Trust. Henry is a chartered architect and is a member of the CIBSE Wellbeing working group and the RIBA Ethics and Sustainable

Development Commission. From 2015 to 2017 Henry ran the refurbishment of Max Fordham's London office during this work he carried out a review of the available Wellbeing standards from the perspective of a client.

William Poole-Wilson, Director, Will & Partners



Will founded Will+Partners in 2018 and has worked for over 25 years with major corporates and universities. Will+Partners believes that design has the power to create better places and lives. We specialise in creating inspiring Workplace that brings the best out of in people, increasing productivity and wellbeing, with a global experience that includes multiple projects across banking, insurance, technology, retail and corporate services as well as universities.

Will is particularly interested in Wellness and Sustainability, how new technologies drive new work practices, supporting business objectives and smart premises design. He is involved in changing the world of work through research, collaboration, and practice. He is particularly interested in sustainability, how new technologies drive new work practices, supporting business objectives and smart premises design. Will's research covers, simpler desking solutions, flexible occupation and more social work settings, to support the interaction needs of an emerging generation of knowledge workers. Will is leading new research in technologies in environmental design, he pioneered the SKA environmental tool and led the recently-published and popular BCO Wellness Guide.

Oliver Milton, Senior Partner, Hawkins\Brown



Oliver is a Senior Partner of Hawkins\Brown and leads the practice's Education and Research team.

Oliver's experience ranges from local primary schools to state of the art research institutes, and he thrives on the variety and challenge that the sector offers. His buildings have received wide recognition – most notably four national RIBA awards for buildings at Oxford University, Royal Veterinary College, University of East Anglia and Exeter.

Oliver recognises the importance of generating a robust and coherent brief for education and research buildings. He is a highly experienced leader of focused user group workshops and is developing new digital tools and techniques to make the whole briefing process more effective and enjoyable. His buildings are underpinned by clear simple ideas that deliver desired outcomes with clarity and verve.

Alongside his project work, Oliver leads the innovation group within the practice, looking at how architects can use new digital tools to improve processes and design.

He has recently been invited to join 'Designers for Science', a group of architects, engineers and other professionals debating best practice and emerging trends in the sector.

Andy Parker, Scientific Sector Director, BuroHappold



Andy Parker is global director of BuroHappold's Health and Scientific sectors.

His experience of delivering specialist buildings around the world for commercial and university clients enabled Andy good grounding to approach our Health and Scientific projects from an innovative, effective point of view. Using his background in building services and his extensive international experience, Andy is highly skilled in the application of the multi-disciplinary approach that is so central to BuroHappold's work.

Significant experience with the design of complex and specialised environments associated with health, pharmaceutical laboratories and manufacturing facilities has seen Andy become a recognised figure in this field and a founding member of the "Designers for Science" group. He has held the roles of Project Manager, Head of Mechanical Services and in previous roles led the development of Amec's Pharmaceutical business in Europe and their Industrial and Pharmaceutical business in China. More recently, he has led an innovative programme at BuroHappold which is developing analytical tools to design buildings for research effectiveness.

Ian Goodfellow, Partner, Penoyre and Prasad



Design excellence, sustainability and pragmatism: the principles that guide Ian's role at Penoyre & Prasad. With so much experience in so many different areas of architecture, Ian has a lot to share. It's why he leads the practice's higher education work and serves as Deputy Chair of the Higher Education Design Quality Forum. This give-something-back approach to his professional life has taken him as far afield as Sri Lanka, Lesotho and – with his voluntary work for the architectural charity Article 25 – to Myanmar. He has also taught practice management at the Bartlett School

of Architecture and is a regular lecturer and examiner at a number of universities.

Ian's rigorous design and client liaison skills mean he's able to craft beautiful, award winning, efficient and cost-effective architectural solutions for a diverse range of clients, both in the public and private sectors. And, with a growing – if not urgent – need for environmentally-responsible design, Ian not only drives the practice's sustainability and implementation strategies, he is, in a wider sense, committed to the development and communication of a pragmatic and genuinely sustainable approach to architecture.

Away from the studio, Ian gives his time as a trustee of London's October Gallery and, when he's not doing that, he can found outside: walking, climbing or cycling.

Caroline Paradise, HEDQF Research Group Chair and Associate Director Infrastructure, Atkins



Caroline Paradise is the Chair of HEDQF's Research Group and is Head of Design Research at Atkins where she leads a research driven approach to developing innovative design solutions across the education sector. Caroline has pioneered research across the education, science and healthcare sectors and is passionate about the inherent value in capturing lessons learnt from completed projects. Her current role at Atkins is divided between developing and managing research initiatives and working with clients and design teams to develop a vision and detailed brief which captures the aspirations of a project with a focus on the importance of wellbeing.

Dr Catharine Ward Thompson, Professor of Landscape Architecture, Edinburgh School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, and Director of the OPENspace research centre.



Catharine Ward Thompson's research focuses on inclusive access to outdoor environments, environment-behaviour interactions, landscape design for older people, children and teenagers, and salutogenic environments. Her recent studies have contributed new evidence on the value of engaging with green and natural environments for health and wellbeing, from childhood to very old age. Catharine also has expertise in the history and theory of urban park design and conservation, the history of landscape design, and landscape aesthetics and perception.

As a Landscape Architect, she supports good access to high quality open space that offers opportunities for a rich experience for all. Catharine was educated at the Universities of Southampton and Edinburgh and has practised as a Landscape Architect in Vancouver, Canada, and in the UK. She was Head of the School of Landscape Architecture at Edinburgh College of Art (ECA) from 1989-2000 and continues to teach at all levels. She is joint Programme Director of the Landscape and Wellbeing MSc programme at ECA and supervises a number of PhD students in areas relevant to her research.

Mike Entwisle, Education Sector Director, BuroHappold



Mike graduated from the University of Cambridge with a double first followed by a PhD in materials science. This fledgling research career was very soon overtaken by his long term interest in buildings and sustainability, and his keenness to apply his first principles thinking to the built environment.

Since then Mike has increasingly specialised in sustainable and education schemes and is now BuroHappold's Education Sector Director. His work includes university projects in Cambridge, Oxford, Bath, Bristol, Queen Mary, and Exeter as well as over twenty schools ranging from the multi award winning Bristol Brunel Academy to Doha College.

Mike is a board member of the HEDQF and was one of the authors of their "Future Campus" book. He advises government and other bodies regarding policy and guidance issues and provides a unique combination of high level design input and pragmatism, always focused on the best output for the client and building users. He has led BuroHappold's unique research programme which has gathered input from over 5,000 students and is leading the way in Designing for Student Mental Health. He is a CAB/Design Council Built Environment Expert.

Peter Fisher, Director, Bennetts Associates



Peter joined Bennetts Associates in 2001 and became a director in 2014. He studied both architecture and environmental design and is a driving force behind leading-edge sustainable architecture in the office. Peter has been centrally involved in projects such as the remodelling of Hampshire County Council's Offices in Winchester, a rehoming centre for Dogs Trust and a new office and civic building for the London Borough of Camden. Current commitments include a new Student Services Centre for the University of Cambridge and an office development in Cardiff. Peter has taught, lectured and written widely on the subject of architecture and sustainability. He is a Design Fellow at the Department of Architecture in Cambridge and sits on the RIBA's Sustainable Futures Group.

Dr Jamie Anderson, Senior Sustainability Consultant, BuroHappold



Jamie is passionate about creating and using strong urban wellbeing evidence, working in separate part-time positions at University of Manchester and within BuroHappold's sustainability team. In a research capacity, building on his inter-disciplinary PhD at Cambridge University, he leads a 5-year evaluation of neighbourhood greening interventions. The international GrowGreen project involves embracing the inherent complexity of this science, partnering with the local community, designers, local authority, and third sector organisations.

As a practitioner, Jamie co-leads BuroHappold's 'evidence informed' wellbeing design approach. He is fortunate to have worked with amongst the most progressive clients and collaborators in the UK, US, Middle East and Malaysia. Recent highlights include C40's BUCA (Benefits of Urban Climate Action) project, the Wellbeing Lab with UKGBC and Marks & Spencer, International Quarter London public realm design for Lendlease, a county-wide sustainability plan for the Los Angeles government, and CUSSH (Complex Urban Systems for Sustainability and Health) - working with policy makers in low, middle and high income countries.

Andy Simons, Director and Co-Founder, KSS



Andy is a founder director of KSS and a studio leader within the practice, giving strategic design direction on a number of our major projects.

He has a wide range of design and team management skills, and his main role is to ensure the clients' needs are met and to lead the strategic and operational guidance to the client and consultant team.

He has headed our involvement in the education sector over the last fifteen years, though his main focus is currently on stadia and training centre projects both in the UK and abroad.

He brings analytical depth and experience to every project he is involved in, is widely respected by clients and consultants alike, and presents internationally on stadia design and the power of sport as a force for good.

Ian Pratt, Director, Scott Brownrigg



Ian leads Scott Brownrigg's education design team. Working closely with colleagues in all studios, his responsibilities include leadership and development of the practice's science, health and education specialisms in the UK and internationally.

Ian has over 17 years of experience in the masterplanning, conceptual design and delivery of education projects - encompassing projects for learners of all ages and a wide range of educational models.

His approach is people focused and he is passionate about working with stakeholders to assimilate project requirements and develop inspiring, sustainable design solutions that promote health and well-being.

Ian's recent projects include the award-winning Spark for Solent University in Southampton.

In his presentation, Ian will share key notes from a recent roundtable discussion exploring the impact of student accommodation environments on student mental health and wellbeing.

Tazie Taysom, Lead Art Consultant, ARTIQ Art Consultancy



Tazie Taysom Lead Art Consultant ARTIQ ARTIQ was launched in 2009 to bridge the gap between the art and business worlds and promote fair pay for artists. Now entering its tenth year, ARTIQ has grown to be one of the UK's leading art consultancies, working with an extensive client base throughout the EMEA to bring outstanding art and experiences to workplace, hospitality and residential sectors.

Tazie joined ARTIQ in 2016 as Lead Art Consultant, directing and managing the in-house consultancy team. Tazie works with brands, businesses and institutions to embed creativity into their cultures, harnessing its power to improve wellbeing, enhance experience in the built environment and to promote the values and character of the people that matter to them.

To date, ARTIQ and its clients have paid out over £3million to artists, makers and arts institutions.