

The Society of Chartered Surveyors

SURVEYORS APPOINT NEW HEAD OF POLICY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

DR PETER STAFFORD TO PLAY KEY ROLE IN SCS

Wednesday 28th July 2010. The Society of Chartered Surveyors has announced the appointment of Dr Peter Stafford as its new Head of Policy and Public Affairs.

Dr Stafford, joins the SCS from the Construction Industry Federation, where he was head of research and policy.

Welcoming his appointment, the President of the SCS, Peter Stapleton said the Society was delighted to recruit such a high calibre candidate as Peter Stafford. 'It is vital that the SCS produces research and policy documents of the highest quality and this is where Dr Stafford will play a key role. This research will be of benefit not just to SCS members but to all stakeholders in the property and construction sector' he said.

Stapleton pointed out that there was a clear need for accurate and relevant information and that the appointment of Dr Stafford would enhance the SCS's ability to address government and policy makers as well as the wider public.

'Having worked in the sector for a number of years, Peter has a thorough understanding of the challenges facing the industry at present and I know he will be a great asset to the Society. I wish him the very best in his new position' Stapleton concluded.

Thirty three year old Dr Stafford, who is from Northumberland in North East England, has been living and working in Ireland for the last ten years. He worked with the CIF between 2005 and 2009 and during that time he was part of the task force set up by the Construction Industry Council to explore new funding mechanisms for procuring civil engineering and public building works.

Prior to joining the business sector Dr Stafford was a post doctoral researcher and lecturer in the Urban Institute Ireland (based at UCD) and the Geary Institute where he wrote and lectured on the politics of urban regeneration and city governance in Ireland.

He was awarded a Doctorate in Politics from the University of Manchester. He also holds a Master of Economics degree in Social Research Methods also from the University of Manchester and a Masters in Political and Public Communications from Dublin City University. He lives in Ranelagh in Dublin.

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