

Planning and the issues shaping it across the island of Ireland

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The Big Drivers for Change North & South

- Global Financial Crisis
- Economic Recession
- Markets Decline (Jobs, Construction, Housing)
- PfG – changing the onus of planning
- Local Government & Planning Reform



Local Government Reform across the island – opportunities and challenges

Opportunities:

- Bringing decision making closer to communities and citizens
- Stronger and more effective local democracy
- Service delivery improvement - influence place shaping and facilitate greater integration

Challenges:

- Changing roles & guarding against abuse/bad practice
- Balancing the local with the strategic



Future Opportunities for collaboration...

- Renewable Energy
- Marine Planning
- Terrestrial Planning

