

Theatre Timetables

FRIDAY 15th MAY

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SUSTAINABILITY THEATRE

Time	Topic	Presenter	Synopsis
10:30 – 10:55	Surveyor	Tim Phillips, Quantive	How To Budget for Your Self Build Project & Control Costs - Covering the key factors that influence costs and share strategies to keep your build on budget throughout construction. Plus, exploring ways to cut costs without compromising on quality.
11:00 – 11:25	Find a Trade	Suzanne Dobbins, Which?	Know your trader - A whistle stop guide to practical checks you can do.
11:30 – 11:55	Course Taster	Mark Stevenson	Finding Land - Finding a building plot is never easy, but there are ways and means to find that elusive dream plot.
12:00 – 12:25	Funding	Tom McSherry, BuildStore	Financing Your Homebuilding Project - Arranging finance for a self build, custom build, retrofit or renovation project is very different from a standard mortgage. In this session, Tom McSherry from BuildStore explains the funding options available, what lenders look for, and how to prepare your project for a successful application, helping you avoid delays, funding gaps and costly mistakes.
13:15 – 13:40	Course Taster	Mark Doodes	Planning for Self Builders; Tips and Pitfalls - Our Planning expert will explain the intricacies of the planning process and how you can optimise your chances of getting approval for your dream home.
13:45 – 14:10	Course Taster	Rob Bohm	Insights into Renovation, Conversion & Extensions - This course taster session focuses on sustainable building and energy efficiency. Rob, an expert in building fabrics and heating systems, offers valuable insights for anyone thinking of undertaking a renovation, conversion or extension project.
14:15 – 14:40	Course Taster	Andrew Jones	Your VAT position as a self-builder - One of the joys of self-building is the option to claim a VAT refund! If you're a DIY builder, building a new home or converting a non-residential building into a home you should qualify. We'll discuss what you need to know.

BUILD IT THEATRE

Time	Topic	Presenter	Synopsis
10:30 – 10:55	Timber Frames	David Elsby, Fleming Homes	Can I Build Here? to Here's How - For many self-builders, the biggest hurdle is finding the right plot. This session explores smart ways to spot opportunities, assess them quickly and provides insight on feasibility concerns and planning potential. So, you can act with confidence when the right plot appears.
11:00 – 11:25	Windows and Roof Windows	Simon Tomblin, Velux	The Renovation Revolution - Tackling the problem of getting natural daylight into extensions.
12:00 – 12:45	Heat & Energy Q&A	Panel of expert partners	The Heat & Energy Panel - Find out everything you need to know about the various ways to bring heat and energy to your home, with our panel of experts including Total Home Environment, Nu-Heat and GB Sol.
13:00 – 13:25	Insulation	Dave Judd, Ecological Building Systems	Retro EcoWall - A complete low energy solution for internal wall insulation. For traditional solid stone and brick walls.
13:30 – 13:55	Infrared Heating	Rod Davies, Energy Carbon	Alternative Heating Solutions - the mystery and myths of infrared explained - A dive into infrared heating technologies, how it works, it's benefits, the differences in types and how to maximise your space, efficiency and comfort within a renovation of new build project.
14:00 – 14:25	Rainwater Harvesting	Ian Woodcock, Rainwater Harvesting	Discover the many advantages of installing a Rainwater Harvesting system - Why flush toilets and water plants with drinking quality water?
14:30 – 14:55	Lifts/ Home Automations	Lee Priest, Gartec	Future-Proof Your Home: Home Lifts for Private Residences - How modern home lift solutions can enhance accessibility and comfort for homeowners planning for every stage of life. The presentation highlights key design options, safety features, and practical considerations for integrating a lift seamlessly into both new builds and existing homes.

EXHIBITOR STAND DEMOS

Time	Presenter/Stand	Synopsis
11:00 & 15:00	Good Energy Renovation House	Good Energy Renovation House Solar Surgery - Throughout this tour of the Renovation House, Good Energy will explain the integration of solar panels, battery storage, and EV chargers, and how they can help you manage your energy tariffs, during a renovation.
13:15	Finishes Zone	Meet the Finishes Zone Experts - Are you at the exciting stage of adding the finishing touches to your dream home? Join us in the Finishes Zone and take a guided journey around the wheel, where you'll meet our expert exhibitors and discover how they can help bring your vision to life.
12:30 - 13:00	Mezzanine	Benchmark & Premium Ticket Holder Exclusive: Expert Q&A - This exclusive event brings together three self-build experts, giving you the opportunity to have all your questions answered while enjoying complimentary Prosecco, juices, and cakes. Experts include Jenny from AC Architects, Mark from Mark Doodes Planning, and Mark Stevenson, an independent project manager and land-finding specialist.

GUIDED TOURS

Time	Expert	Tour (all tours are 45 minutes)
11:00	Alan	Passivhaus
11:30	Colin	New Build
11:30	Rob	Renovation House
12:30	Nick	Retrofit Zone
14:00	Colin	Renovation House
14:30	Rob	Retrofit Zone

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