



### **TPP Professional Standards Committee: February 2017 Update**

*The TPP qualification is managed jointly by CIHT and TPS through the TPP Professional Standards Committee (PSC). This committee meets four times a year. The following is a summary of the latest meeting in February.*

At the February meeting, the PSC welcomed new committee member Steve Hunter. As well as having achieved TPP, Steve has extensive knowledge of the qualification through his work as a TPP reviewer. Steve replaces Craig Drennan who has served on the committee for a number of years. As well as his long commitment to the committee, Craig has played a vital role on the sub-group that accredits the transportation MSc's. The committee expressed its gratitude to Craig for all his work and continued support.

Committee member Glynn Lyons of UWE Bristol has worked with CIHT on producing its [FUTURES report](#) which 'explores the implications of different future scenarios for transport policy and practice.' Glenn proposed an approach, backed by the committee, to review the TPP requirements to ensure that they remain fully relevant to the changing demands of transport planners. Glenn's findings will be fed back to the PSC for consideration and whether either the TPP requirements or Reviewer guidance requires amendment.

There are several routes candidates can take towards TPP, including 'an approved TPP in-house development scheme' such as the Transport Planning Society's Professional Development Scheme (PDS). The PSC discussed the process of approving such schemes. The PSC will be reviewing its approval process and accompanying routes to TPP diagram to ensure that they continue to meet our requirements and to prepare candidates for their future TPP review and professional career.

The PSC discussed how, at the next annual training event, reviewers will be reminded of the routes available to candidates as well as ensuring reviewers are up-to-date with the current TPP requirements. It is also an opportunity for reviewers to give their feedback on the review process.

The next PSC will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> May.