



# Conference spotlight on sustainability

Some of the country's leading experts in sustainable development will speak at the National Association of Women in Property's Conference, to be held in Birmingham from September 24 to 26.

Entitled *Design for the Future: it's responsible, it's sustainable but is it feasible?*, the conference will debate the issues created in the name of sustainable development.

Speakers will include Crest Nicholson Homes chief executive John Callcutt, Gareth Llewellyn, group corporate responsibility director for National Grid Transco,

friends and colleagues can let their hair down at the Gala Dinner being held in the Banqueting Suite at Council House.

Entertainment will include a spor from the Funky Monks.

Soothing them into Sunday morning is a brunch in the fourth floor café at the Selfridges store in Bullring.

Tickets for the conference weekend cost £145, or delegates can book for individual events.

For more information and a booking form, call Fiona Alfred on 0207 603 4746 or e-mail [f.alfred@btinternet.com](mailto:f.alfred@btinternet.com).

Sherwood Environmental Village chief executive Stan Crawford and Sara Halsall, manager of Selfridges, Bullring.

Kathy Toon, national chair of Women in Property and partner of DLA, explains: "Sustainability has become a bit of a buzz word and, ironically, runs the risk of becoming devalued through overuse.

"This conference sets out to explore the complexities of sustainable development.

"It will also celebrate the early success stories, look at how companies are implementing corporate social responsibility in this

area and constructively debate how feasible implementation really is, across the industry."

As well as an informal evening reception at Mechu, Summer Row, to open the conference, there will be a Saturday morning business session which will be held in the offices of law firm DLA.

Delegates will then have the option to take afternoon tours in the city including the Jewellery Quarter and Museum at the Jewellery Quarter, the Custard Factory and an architectural walk around Brindleyplace.

On Saturday evening, delegates,