



Course Title: Forward Planning Fundamentals (7313)	
Duration: 1 Day	Certification: LASNTG Certification
Expiry Period: 0 Years	Award: Assessment Certificate

Aim of Programme:

The aim of this programme is to understand the broad structure of the planning process in Ireland in relation to forward planning and development promotion, including the roles within such processes of the European Union, the Government, Local Government, An Bord Pleanála and the Office of the Planning Regulator, as well as the Courts and Regional Assemblies.

Target Learner:

This training programme is for learners of all grades who are working in Planning Authorities.

Learning Outcomes:

On completion of this programme, the learner will be able to:

- Describe the broad structure of the planning process in Ireland in relation to forward planning and development promotion, and understand the hierarchy of plans from national and regional to city and county development plans and local plans and how the legislation and Courts have defined how they should interact.
- Consult the legislation and understand the steps involved in the build up to and after the preparation of plans commences, including key timeframes and processes for stakeholder engagement, public consultation and environmental assessment.
- Recognise and understand the role of the Minister, the OPR and the Regional Assemblies in relation to all aspects of the plan making process.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the role of the Courts in relation to all aspects of the forward planning process.

Assessment:

There is a **Theory** based examination which is a Classroom Exam and Standard Pass is 50% and the duration is 15 minutes.

Entry requirements:

- Applicants must be able to demonstrate a level of knowledge, skill and competence associated with Level 4 of the NFQ.
- A familiarity with the Local Authority planning process is desirable but not necessary.

