

## "Proud to be a Planner" World Town Planning Day celebrations:

- ➤ Wednesday 5 November, 12.30pm at the Church steps A group photo of planners that can make it, this photo will be sent to NZPI for their website
- ➤ Friday 7 November, 5pm onwards at Deville in New Street – Join your planning colleagues for after work drinks and nibbles

**World Town Planning Day** is celebrated in 30 countries on Saturday 8 November. It is a special day to recognize and promote the role of planning in creating liveable communities.

World Town Planning Day is celebrated to:

- draw attention to the aims and the progress of urban and regional planning around the world;
- highlight the valuable contribution that planning has made to the quality of our towns and cities and their environment; and
- give worldwide coverage to the ideals of urban and regional planning, not only for professional planners but for the general public as well.

Planners aim to provide a choice of housing types and locations and to encourage good urban design and urban renewal. It is the planning process which enables the community to make decisions about alternatives and to balance the interests of different groups.

In essence, planners strive to create a place where people can enjoy living, working and playing while sustainably managing the natural and physical environment for present and future generations.