

PELGBA Annual Conference 2025

Planning, Environmental and
Local Government Bar Association



Friday 4 July 2025 | Dublin Dispute Resolution Centre

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

10.00 am Registration and tea/coffee

10.30 am **SESSION 1**

Welcome - **Tom Flynn SC, Chair of PELGBA**

Introductory Remarks - **The Hon. Mr. Justice Richard Humphreys**

Updates in Planning Enforcement - **Fintan Valentine SC**

Standing and Public Participation: From Hen Harriers to Distressed Pigs to Animal Waste - **David Browne SC**

11.50 am Tea/coffee break

12.05 pm **SESSION 2**

Offshore Energy - Planning and Environmental Considerations - **Gregory Jones KC**

Renewable Energy and Nuisance - **Gráinne Gilmore BL**

1.20 pm Lunch at Jorge's Restaurant, Distillery Building

2.30 pm **SESSION 3**

The Court's Discretion to Grant *certiorari* - **Emily Egan McGrath SC**

Access to Environmental Information - **Ger Deering, Commissioner for Environmental Information**

3.45 pm Closing Remarks - **The Hon. Mr. Justice Richard Humphreys** and **Tom Flynn SC, Chair of PELGBA**

4.00 pm Drinks Reception in the Sheds, Distillery Building



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