

IPAV Newsletter Vol. 1 June 2013

Dear fellow Member

Welcome to the first issue of our monthly online newsletter.



As you're newly Elected President, I wish to sincerely thank those of you who attended our AGM in Trim Co Meath. I would like to promise all members I will do my utmost in the best interest of the Institute and members during my term of office.

At the recent Annual Convention I highlighted some of the key issues of interest to members at present, notably the on-going lack of mortgage finance and secondly, the heavy burden of commercial rates which are killing SMEs on a daily basis in this country. Details of these and other relevant issues will be covered in the next issue of the **Property Professional** due out within the next few weeks.

I look forward to meeting as many members as possible during my term of office and please feel free to contact me at any time.

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CEO Message



Firstly, let me say how delighted I am to be appointed CEO of IPAV and that I am enjoying the job immensely. I wish to thank all members who offered me good wishes and to assure all, I am here for members to contact should the need arise.

Since taking up office I have been reviewing IPAV's operation in its entirety and over the coming months and year I hope to implement some necessary changes that will make the Institute more relevant to members and will better reflect the demands of members in the new regulatory environment.

I believe as I said at the AGM we are playing in too low a division, I intend to move IPAV up to the premier division and not through transfers but through hard work and your help.

One of my main areas of concern is better communication

with members and this newsletter is one of my proposals to address this area.

My plan is to issue a short newsletter which will cover items of interest but which will take no more than a few minutes to read, on the first Friday of each month.

Increasingly, communication is going online and becoming more interactive and I hope members will engage with IPAV and each other through the newsletter and on our new website which will be coming online shortly.

A recent area in which our Institute has made a major breakthrough is in joining **TEGoVA**, The European Group of Valuers' Association and in being appointed by them the only awarding Irish body to confer "REV" status on its members. The IPAV **BLUE BOOK** culture has begun. This is a major achievement for the Institute and we will be able to produce at least 100 "REV" status members over the next year. Further details on the "REV" course will be issued to all members very shortly.

Our next IPAV branded issue of the **Property Professional** magazine is due out at the end of the month, I hope you like the changes. A short online survey has been sent to all members about the **Property Professional**. Please complete and return it to IPAV by 11th June.

I look forward to meeting all members in the future.

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New Council Members: Congratulations to the three new members appointed to National Council at the Institute's recent AGM. They are; **Ella Dunphy** of DNG Ella Dunphy, Kilkenny, **Brian Dempsey** of Douglas Newman Good, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin and **Dara Furey** of Sean Furey Insurances Ltd., Buncrana, Co. Donegal.

Seminars: IPAV is planning a series of seminars for the remainder of 2013. They will be held in a number of venues throughout the country and will mainly focus on the powers of the Property Regulator - his statutory role, his rights and power in regard to visiting the offices of auctioneers and estate agents and related issues. Details of seminars will be issued to members shortly.

Send your comments please to pat@ipav.ie