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Islington Town Hall Assembly Rooms Upper Street, London N1 2UD www.ukpassivhausconference.org

The Passivhaus standard is designed to create buildings that are both comfortable and energy efficient. The combination of an air-tight, superinsulated building fabric and mechanical ventilation with heat recovery reduces energy requirements by up to 85% and provides a draught-free environment with excellent air quality.

This first ever UK Passivhaus Conference seeks to build on the success of the Camden and Islington Passivhaus Conference of February 2010 (www. cuttingthecarbon.com/passivhaus) where it became clear that there was huge demand for more information about the Passivhaus standard. The UK Passivhaus conference will include case studies, site visits, workshops, debate, an exhibition of Passivhaus products and numerous networking opportunities.

The Passivhaus standard can be used to scope retrofit work as well as new build which is critical in the UK where 90% of the building stock will still be in place in 2050.

It is simply not possible to reach zero carbon homes by 2016 as the UK government has mandated without reference to the work of the Passivhaus Institute in Germany over the last 20 years.

Earlier this year the London Borough of Camden became the first local authority in the UK to include Passivhaus in its Local Development Framework. They are asking developers and architects to aspire to the Passivhaus standard. We are seeking to encourage other local authorities to introduce the standard into their planning rules. Our big ask to the government is that the Passivhaus standard be incorporated into UK building regulations.

The UK Passivhaus Conference is aimed primarily at planning officers, building regulations officers, architects and housing associations. The cost

is £150 (£25 for students on production of a valid student card), which includes lunch and refreshments.

You can register for the UK Passivhaus Conference and the Conference Dinner on our website: www.ukpassivhausconference.org.

If you have any questions, then please contact info@cuttingthecarbon.com



The UK Passivhaus
Conference seeks to
bring together everyone
interested in the
Passivhaus standard
to further knowledge,
stimulate debate and
advocate for change.