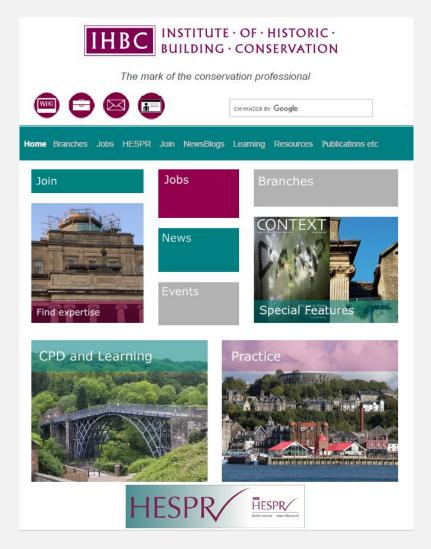
# HTVF Sustainable Settlements David McDonald Chair, IHBC

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#### HTVF Sustainable Settlements

# Historic Towns and Villages



# IHBC – Heritage and Climate Change

- Sustainable, walkable neighbourhoods
- Green infrastructure
- Embodied energy and durability
- Building performance

#### Some of the issues

- Housebuilding
- Second homes/Air B&B
- High Streets, local shops, pubs, banks, post offices
- Local services, schools, libraries, places of worship, medical, dental
- Transport, traffic management
- Energy saving/retrofit
- · Windfarms, solar farms

## Housebuilding





# Shops and Services



### Some takeaways

- Our historic towns and villages demonstrate many aspects of sustainability
- Pressure for new housing will not go away how can it be made to benefit local communities?
- Our traditional buildings are a valuable and adaptable resource
- Planning legislation and policy is continually changing – advocacy and lobbying is essential
- Don't give up!

# Thank you

