

## Application for World Heritage Status

### Town and Country Planning Association (TCPA)



**Fiona Howie, CEO of TCPA** ([planningsource.co.uk](http://planningsource.co.uk))

The Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport is currently preparing a new Tentative List of sites for submission to UNESCO for World Heritage status consideration, which is undertaken every 10 years. In response to DCMS's invitation for applications, the TCPA has submitted an Expression of Interest putting forward the UK's two Garden Cities, Letchworth and Welwyn. As part of a meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> May, potential candidates were invited to describe why their proposals should qualify for promotion to UNESCO.

Fiona Howie, the CEO, said when asked for the TCPA's justification:

***'The proposal we are discussing relates to the English Garden Cities, Letchworth Garden City and Welwyn Garden City. We have suggested that the Cities are of Outstanding Universal Value as built exemplars of a vision and drive to improve the living and working conditions of humankind delivered through a unique process of master-planning, community governance and re-investment.'***