



Building Bridges: Community – University Partnerships for Social Justice

A conference to increase awareness of social justice: Examining best practice in developing sustainable Community – University partnerships and community based learning to facilitate regeneration.

Thursday 28th March 2013
Cardiff School of Education, Cyncoed Campus

Keynote Speakers at Conference

The conference organisers are pleased to announce Professor Dave Adamson and Professor Gareth Rees as Key Note Speakers.

Professor Gareth Rees

Professor Gareth Rees is from the Cardiff School of Social Sciences at Cardiff University. His work has investigated themes including educational policy, adult learning, the learning society and the relationship between learning and regeneration. Professor Rees is the Director of the Wales Institute of Social & Economic Research, Data & Methods (WISERD). He also acts as an advisor to both the Welsh and UK Governments.

Professor David Adamson, OBE

Dave Adamson is the Chief Executive of the Centre for Regeneration Excellence Wales (CREW). Dave has extensive experience of research, evaluation and policy development in regeneration related areas and has worked with a wide range of regeneration partners including the Welsh Government, third sector organisations, RSLs and local authorities in Wales. Dave is internationally recognised for his work on community empowerment in regeneration partnerships through his long-term engagement with the design, delivery and analysis of Communities First in Wales. His current interests include regeneration policy, measuring impact, evaluation techniques, community empowerment and housing and regeneration.



Cardiff School of Education is hosting this prestigious conference to examine best practice in developing sustainable Community – University partnerships that promote social inclusion and economic regeneration across Cardiff, South East Wales and beyond.

The conference will focus on the role of the learning opportunities that enable equality within Community – University partnerships and how this aids in the development of strategies designed to meet specific needs identified at a local, sub regional and regional level.

It will also be an opportunity to explore the current social and economic contributions universities make to the region via initiatives such as Community Regeneration and Widening Participation and will look outwards to other parts of the UK and Europe for wider perspectives.

The day will include insight from and engagement with a range of voluntary organisations including The Bevan Foundation, the People and Work Unit, the Creation development Trust and NIACE.

**Any cancellations must be in writing and made more than 10 working days prior to the conference or you will be charged fully.*

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Key themes for the conference are:

- Barriers and Incentives regarding collaboration: A community practitioner perspective
- Barriers and Incentives regarding collaboration: An academic perspective
- Exemplar practice Developing sustainable community - university partnerships.
- Current political and theoretical perspectives with regard to sustainable community - university partnerships

Booking information

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(Lunch and refreshments will be provided)

