



Creating Great Communities

1-day conference



5th July 2023 – Leonardo Hotel Cardiff
10.00am – 3.30pm

Join us for our relaxed and informal event, with a big focus on giving you lots of ideas to take away and the time and space to meet others.

Programme*

Unity in the community

Hear about the amazing work of Unity in the community - a community-based project run for the community, by the community.

The group of volunteers, led by people living on the Hilfort estate in Caerau, was initially set up to reduce problems of anti-social behaviour by giving the children something fun and affordable to do during the school holidays.

Find out all about the work of this successful community group - their highlights; lessons learnt and Top Tips for anyone wanting to set up something similar in their own community.



Youth Shedz!

Youth Shedz is an award-winning initiative that provides a safe place for young people to explore who they are, to develop pro-social relationships with suitable role models, develop and learn new skills.

Find out how a simple employability activity in a small garage in Denbigh went on to become a thriving community of young person led Youth Shedz across North and South Wales.



'Welcome Wales' Communities – The Afghan Resettlement Programme

Find out about this inspiring project, led by Taff Housing in Cardiff, which was one of last year's TPAS Cymru Good Practice Award winners.

The project came together at short notice to support the resettlement of Afghan refugees, who were airlifted from Kabul following the Taliban seizure of power in August 2021. Hear the latest update on the re-settling of families into the community, the good practice learnt, and the positive outcomes seen as a result of this truly remarkable project.



Outside Lives - a 'whole community' approach

Outside Lives, a community led social enterprise, actively brings together members of the community - connecting people through shared interests, activities and events that support personal wellbeing and growth, whilst also celebrating and protecting the natural world.

Hear from the inspiring founder of Outside Lives, Lucy Powell, who will share some case-study examples showing how communities have been re-generated through co-production and by allowing the people to lead the process.



SevernWye – making asset-based community development work

Find out how this exciting project delivers improvements to areas by working with local residents who are keen to 'make things happen'.

Discover how using an asset-based community development approach can creatively explore what communities consider valuable and build on those to develop ideas for the future.

This informative session will give you a flavour of what the project could look like in a rural or town community near you, to potentially help to address issues ranging from employment and income, transport, digital exclusion, housing and fuel poverty, and quality of life.



Libraries of Things!

Bethygs vision is to create a Wales wide network of Libraries of Things in communities as wherever you are in Wales, you can borrow whatever you need cheaply and easily anything from gardening and DIY tools, to camping equipment and much more.

Find out how Bentyg lives up to its name (*Bentyg ben-thig* means to borrow or lend in Welsh), how it all works and how by borrowing we can help each other and our communities to live more sustainably.



* Please note programme content and timings are subject to change

