



Creating Great Communities



1-day conference - 6th July 2022

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 reconnect with each other.

Programme

09.30am – 10am
Registration & Tea/Coffee

10.00am
Welcome & setting the scene: Creating Great Communities

Tremorfa Community Pantry

The fantastic Tremorfa Community Pantry team will share the story of their project, it's incredible journey and how they are helping over 150 families a week access good, nutritious surplus food. With the challenges of the current cost of living crisis and food costs rising, find out how The Pantry is meeting demand and hear all about their plans for the sustainability of the project and their fund-raising efforts.



11:15am – 11:40am
Tea/Coffee

A new Community Bank for Wales: what could it mean for communities like yours?

What could a new Community Bank for Wales mean for communities like yours? Could it help regenerate High Streets or boost local economies? Could it improve access to everyday banking services for everyone regardless of income or where they live?

Find out from Mark Hooper who has been working on developing **Banc Cambria**, Wales' Community Bank. Mark has focused in recent years on cooperative/mutual solutions to the pressing issues in our communities, like the withdrawal of local banking services.

Mark will take us through the journey, discuss the broad political support & highlight the obstacles tackled so far and those ahead.

Railway Gardens: How the community is creating a new community designed and led space.

Find out all about this inspiring project - how the community is turning a derelict patch of land on a residential street into a place where locals can come together to work, share, learn, play and act on the issues that matter to them.

We'll hear how the idea for the project came about, the ways local people have been involved at every stage and the challenges they've faced along the way. [Railway Gardens](#)



TikTok: how it can be your essential community engagement tool



With over 17 million daily users in the UK alone, TikTok is one of the fastest-growing social media platforms in our society. Amongst younger people it outstrips existing channels like Facebook and Twitter. Done right, it can be a fantastic tool to engage and communicate and engage with your communities.

Our resident expert TikTokers!, David & Eleanor, will share simple and practical ideas on how you can use the power and simplicity of TikTok to help create great communities.

1.00pm -1.45pm
Lunch

Creating strong and connected communities: how we can all play our part

We'll kick off the afternoon hearing from the inspirational **Sue Leonard**, Chief Officer of **Pembrokeshire Association of Voluntary Services**. Using her wide experience and valuable insight into working with communities Sue will talk about the value and importance of creating strong and connected communities and how we can all play our part.

The new Wales Hate Support Centre: supporting everyone in communities.

Becca Rosenthal of Victim Support will talk about the new Wales Hate Support Centre and share insights into individual and community experiences of hate. Becca will also share good practice of dealing with hate crime in communities, from across Wales.

Maes Ni Community Project : Making it happen!

To round off the day we'll hear from the amazing MaesNi voluntary community group. This award-winning project enables and supports residents and groups in their communities to make their visions for making it a better place to live happen!



We'll be taken on a whistlestop tour of the remarkable range of things they've been doing— from supporting each other through covid, gardening projects, a community cafe, adults v's kids football, supporting and developing new groups, and opportunities for wellbeing, through to influencing positive change in the community.

They'll also share how they go about it, how their shared ethos helps them to work together for a better future and their vision for what's next

3.15pm - 3.30 pm
That's a wrap!
thank you and goodbyes

* Please note programme content and timings are subject to change