

**TAYSIDE & FIFE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
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Upskilling Programme

**Community Empowerment Act
Conference**

30th May 9.30am to 3pm

**Dundee Central Baptist Church Halls,
Ward Rd, DD1 1LX**

Purpose

The purpose of the event is to provide practitioners with the opportunity to come together, share practice and increase their knowledge of the Community Empowerment Act and its impact on communities.

Outline Programme

9.30am Coffee and Registration

10.00am Introduction, overview of the day: Graham Hewitson Service Manager, Communities, Angus Council

10.05am Welcome to Dundee: Elaine Zwirlein Executive Director, Neighbourhood Services, Dundee City Council

10.10am Voting pads

10.20am Keynote speech

Alasdair McKinlay, Head of Community Planning and Empowerment Unit, Scottish Government

10.40 am Supporting Communities through Asset Transfer: Nicky Donald, DTAS

11.00am How CLD is Supporting the Empowerment Agenda: John Galt, Education Scotland

11.15am Tea Break

11.30am Table Discussions

12.00pm Panel, question and answer session

12.30 pm Networking Lunch

1.30pm World Café

2.30pm Evaluation and round up

2.45pm What will happen next? Closing Comments

3.00pm Close

Panel Members

- Alasdair McKinlay, Head of Community Planning and Empowerment Unit, Scottish Government
- Nicky Donald, Development Trust Association: Based in Edinburgh Nicky supports communities and public agencies to move the community ownership agenda forward in the central and east of Scotland. She is especially keen to make communities aware of their opportunities under the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act and to help them explore the viability and liability of taking ownership of assets.
- John Galt, Education Scotland, Development Officer CLD

World Café Discussions

World Café will focus on key elements of the Community Empowerment Act, each discussion will last 20 minutes. Participants will have the opportunity to take part in 3 sessions.

Topics

- **Supporting Communities Aspirations:** David McGrath, Community Learning and Development Team Manager, Levenmouth, Fife Council
- **Asset Transfer:** Carole Jenkin, Ferry Communities Officer / Asset Transfer Co-ordinator, Neighbourhood Services
- **Participation Request:** Robert Cuthbert, Development Manager, Scottish Community Development Centre & Community Health Exchange and Sylvia Breen, Community Engagement Officer, Angus Council
- **Community Planning:** Jenni Keenan, Community Planning Policy and Research Assistant, Perth and Kinross City Council.
- **Participatory Budgeting:** Rachel Green, Community Engagement Officer, Angus Council
- **Workforce Learning Needs:** Sue Holland-Smith, Learning and Organisational Development Advisor, Dundee City Council
- **Role and Opportunities for CLD:** John Galt, Education Scotland, Development Officer CLD