

Chairs and Board Members Conference 2008

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Best Western Parkway Hotel, Cwmbran

29th February /1 March 2008

This year's Governance Conference comes at a time of significant change and challenge for the housing sector in Wales. The increased resources and expectations of Government, the Deputy Housing Minister's independent review of regulation, the continued growth in new transfer organisations and the collaboration between housing associations at all sorts of levels are all creating new opportunities and challenges for the people who are responsible for strategic direction and leadership.

Join this conference and you will be able to:

- Hear from Sue Essex who will give an update on her work on regulation
- Share the best of what the housing movement is doing in Wales
- Use space for networking to focus on issues that are live for you and your organisations
- Create an online board member network – a conference internet café will get you connected to an online network so you can follow through many of the discussions long after the event.
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Whether you are new to the sector or one of the 'old hands' it's the perfect opportunity to engage, learn something new and meet your peers. The agenda is 'on the button' – are you?



Day One Friday 29th February 2008

11.30am Registration and Refreshments

12.15pm Buffet Lunch

1.00pm Welcome and Introduction

Nick Bennett, Chief Executive, Community Housing Cymru

1.15 Speed Networking for Board Members and Chairs

This is an opportunity to meet every delegate at the Conference and find out what makes them tick, why they came and what they hope to achieve – all in 5 minutes. It's the easiest networking experience you'll ever have

2.00 Key Note Speech – The Review of Regulation

The Deputy Housing Minister appointed Sue Essex to lead an independent review of the sector's regulation last autumn. Along with Bob Smith and Peter Williams, the former Assembly Finance Minister has been taking evidence and forming a view about what to recommend when the review concludes at Easter. What are her thoughts about the sector's role, potential and limitations and where might the recommendations at the end of the review lead the sector?

2.30 Review of Governance

Paul Griffiths, Public Services Consultant

Community Housing Cymru will be carrying out research amongst board members to identify current needs and themes around the governance of the sector. Paul Griffiths, the Consultant carrying out the research will explain what's been achieved so far.

3.10 Board Members and Shadow Board Members Network

An introduction to CHC's Board Member Network History & Shadow Board Network.

4.10 Refreshments and Networking

4.40 Open Space Sessions

Open Space sessions allow all delegates and Conference participants to offer to lead a discussion on a topic of their choice – this allows for sessions to be up-to-the-minute and relevant and enables everyone to have an opportunity to share their opinions and experience with others interested in pursuing the same issues.

4.50 Open Space Session 1

5.35 Open Space Session 2

6.20 Close of Day 1



7.30 Dinner

Join us as we celebrate St David's Day with a Harpist and an after dinner speech by Professor Peter Stead, Gowertonian, academic, writer, broadcaster and cultural historian, who will give us a history lesson and in the process remind us of what we've lost, what we've gained and why an understanding of what's been helps us determine what's to come.

During the day you can visit the conference internet café to:

- Find out what information is available on the web
- Use new social media tools like Facebook, blogs and wikis to share best practice easily and faster
- Set up discussion groups to explore challenges with your peers and get new discussions going

If you are web savvy – great – this is a huge opportunity for you to widen your networks and conversations. If you are less confident don't worry - that's what the internet café is all about. We will support you taking those early first steps.

Day Two Saturday 1st March 2008

9.00am Keynote Presentations

Leadership – what are the qualities we need in our leaders and what can we do to encourage, nurture and tap the talent of the future? Neil Wooding, Director, Public Services Management Wales

9.30 Learning from Experience – Bron Afon Homes will take on the ownership of Torfaen's council housing during 2008. The new landlord will be a community mutual with high ideals and a genuine desire to engage the whole community in Torfaen. How are they going to do this and why? Duncan Forbes, Chief Executive of Bron Afon Homes explains.

10.00 Introduction to Open Space Sessions

10.15 Open Space 3

11.15 Refreshments and Networking

11.45 Open Space 4

12.45pm Feedback of Recommendations and Key Points

1.00 Panel Response to Key Points

Neil Wooding, Paul Griffiths, Duncan Forbes, John Drysdale, Director TPAS Cymru and Ian Williams, Chair of Community Housing Cymru

1.30 Conference Close, Lunch and Depart



Open Space Sessions at the conference will include;

Communicating with Other Board Members – David Wilcox – On the potential of using social media (Facebook, blogs, wikis) to really strengthen the face to face board member networks that exist in Wales. David will talk about what is possible – and the conference internet café will help you take those first steps.

Review of Regulations – Sue Essex and Lisa Dobbins

Storytelling, Louise Harris, PSMW

A chance to learn some of the skills necessary to make a short 3 minute digital film and explore some of the advances in digital story dissemination such as podcasting

Mentoring and Coaching Options – David Crisp

Community Housing Cymru will be launching a mentoring programme for board members – this is chance to find out what mentoring is all about and what it might offer participants.

Governance – Paul Griffiths

A follow-up to the main presentation

Leadership – Neil Wooding

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Gwesty Best Western Parkway, Cwmbran

29 Chwefror /1 Mawrth 2008

Daw Cynhadledd Llywodraethu eleni ar amser o newid a her sylweddol i'r sector tai yng Nghymru. Mae'r cynnydd yn adnoddau a disgwyliadau llywodraeth, yr adolygiad annibynnol o reoleiddiad a gynhelir gan y Driprwy Weinidog Tai a'r cydweithredu rhwng cymdeithasau tai ar bob lefel oll yn creu cyfleoedd a heriau newydd i'r bobl sy'n gyfrifol am gyfeiriad ac arweinyddiaeth strategol.

Ymunwch â'r gynhadledd hon a medrwch:

- Glywed gan Sue Essex a fydd yn rhoi diweddariad ar ei gwaith ar reoleiddio
- Rhannu arfer gorau yng ngwaith y mudiad tai yng Nghymru
- Defnyddio gofod ar gyfer rhwydweithio i ganolbwyntio ar faterion sy'n bwysig i chi a'ch sefydliadau
- Creu rhwydwaith aelodau bwrdd ar-lein – bydd caffe rhyngrwyd yn y gynhadledd yn eich cysylltu gyda rhwydwaith ar-lein fel y medrwch barhau â'r drafodaeth ymhell ar ôl y digwyddiad.

P'un ai ydych yn newydd i'r sector neu'n 'hen law', mae'n gyfle perffaith i ymgysylltu, dysgu rhywbeth newydd a chwrdd ag aelodau byrddau eraill. Mae'r agenda 'ar y botwm – ydych chi?



Diwrnod Un Dydd Gwener 29 Chwefror 2008

11.30am Cofrestru a Lluniaeth

12.15pm Cinio Bwffe

1.00pm Croeso a Chyflwyniad

Nick Bennett, Prif Weithredydd, Cartrefi Cymunedol

1.15 Rhwydweithio Cyflym i Aelodau Byrddau a Chymdeithasau

Dyma'ch cyfle i gwrdd â phob cynrychiolydd yn y Gynhadledd a chanfod beth sy'n gwneud iddynt dicio, pam y daethant yma a'r hyn y gobeithiant ei gyflawni – i gyd mewn 5 munud. Dyma'r profiad rhwydwaith rhwyddaf a gewch byth.

2.00 Araith Gyweirnod – Adolygu Rheoleiddio

Penodwyd Sue Essex gan y Dirprwy Weinidog Tai yn hydref y llynedd i arwain adolygiad annibynnol ar reoleiddiad y sector. Ynghyd â Bob Smith a Peter Williams, bu cyn Weinidog Cyllid y Cynulliad yn cymryd tystiolaeth ac yn ffurfio barn am beth i'w argymhell pan ddaw'r adroddiad i ben adeg y Pasg. Beth yw ei syniadau am rôl, potensial a chyfyngiadau'r sector a lle medrai'r argymhellion ar ddiwedd yr adolygiad arwain y sector?

2.30 Adolygiad Llywodraethu

Paul Griffiths, Ymgynghorydd Gwasanaethau Cyhoeddus

Bydd Cartrefi Cymunedol yn cynnal ymchwil ymysg aelodau bwrdd i ddynodi'r anghenion a themâu cyfredol yn ymwneud â llywodraethu'r sector. Bydd Paul Griffiths yr ymgynghorydd sy'n cynnal yr ymchwil, yn esbonio'r hyn a gyflawnwyd hyd yma.

3.10 Rhwydwaith Aelodau Bwrdd ac Aelodau Bwrdd Cysgodol

Cyflwyniad i Hanes Rhwydwaith Aelodau Bwrdd Cartrefi Cymunedol a Rhwydwaith Byrddau Cysgodol

4.10 Lluniaeth a Rhwydweithio

4.40 Sesiynau Gofod Agored

Mae sesiynau Gofod Agored yn rhoi cyfle i bob cynrychiolydd a'r rhai sy'n cymryd rhan yn y Gynhadledd i arwain trafodaeth ar bwnc o'u dewis - mae hyn yn caniatáu i'r sesiynau fod yn gyfoes a pherthnasol ac yn galluogi pawb i gael cyfle i rannu eu sylwadau a'u profiad gydag eraill sydd â diddordeb mewn dilyn yr un materion.

4.50 Sesiwn Gofod Agored 1

5.35 Sesiwn Gofod Agored 2

6.20 Diwedd Diwrnod 1



7.31 Cinio

Ymunwch â ni wrth i ni ddathlu Dydd Gŵyl Dewi gyda Thelynor ac araith ar ôl cinio gan yr Athro Peter Stead, yr academydd, awdur, darlledwr a hanesydd diwylliannol o Dregŵyr, a fydd yn rhoi gwrs hanes i ni ac yn y broses ein hatgoffa am yr hyn rydym wedi'i gollu, yr hyn rydym wedi'i ennill a pham fod dealltwriaeth o'r hyn a fu yn ein helpu i benderfynu beth sydd i ddod.

Yn ystod y dydd medrwyd ymweld â'r caffe rhyngrwyd yn y gynhadledd i:

- Canfod pa wybodaeth sydd ar gael ar y we
- Defnyddio dulliau cyfryngau cymdeithasol newydd fel Facebook, blogs a wikis i rannu arfer gorau yn rhwydd ac yn gyflym
- Sefydlu grwpiau trafod i ymchwilio heriau gyda'ch cyd-aelodau ac ysgogi trafodaethau eraill

Os ydych yn gyfarwydd â'r we - gwych - mae hwn yn gyfle rhagorol i chi ehangu eich rhwydweithiau a'ch sgysiau. Os ydych yn llai hyderus, peidiwch poeni - dyna beth yw hanfod y caffe rhyngrwyd. Byddwn yn eich cefnogi wrth gymryd y camau cyntaf cynnar hynny.

Diwrnod Dau Dydd Sadwrn 1 Mawrth 2008

9.00am Cyflwyniadau Cyweirnod

Arweinyddiaeth – pa nodweddion ydyn ni eu hangen yn ein harweinwyr a beth fedrwn ni wneud i annog, meithrin a manteisio ar dalent y dyfodol? Neil Wooding, Cyfarwyddydd, Rheolaeth yng Ngwasanaeth Cyhoeddus Cymru

9.30 Dysgu o Brofiad - Bydd Cartrefi Bron Afon yn dod yn berchennog tai cyngor Torfaen yn ystod 2008. Bydd y landlord newydd yn sefydliad cymunedol cydfuddiannol gyda llawer o ddelfrydau a dymuniad gwirioneddol i ymgysylltu â'r holl gymuned yn Nhorfaen. Sut byddant yn gwneud hyn a pham? Duncan Forbes, Prif Weithredydd Cartrefi Bron Afon yn esbonio.

10.00 Cyflwyniad i Sesiynau Gofod Agored

10.15 Gofod Agored 3

11.15 Lluniaeth a Rhwydweithio

11.45 Gofod Agored 4

12.45pm Adborth o Argymhellion a Phwyntiau Allweddol

1.00 Ymateb y Panel i Bwyntiau Allweddol

Neil Wooding, Paul Griffiths, Duncan Forbes, John Drysdale, Cyfarwyddydd TPAS Cymru ac Ian Williams, Cadeirydd Cartrefi Cymunedol

1.30 Cloi'r Gynhadledd, Cinio a Gadael



Bydd y Sesiynau Gofod Agored yn y gynhadledd yn cynnwys:

Cyfathrebu gydag Aelodau Bwrdd Eraill - David Wilcox - Ar botensial defnyddio cyfryngau cymdeithasol (Facebook, blogs, wikis) i wirioneddol gryfhau rhwydweithiau wyneb i wyneb ar gyfer aelodau bwrdd sy'n bodoli yng Nghymru. Bydd David yn siarad am yr hyn sy'n bosibl - a bydd y caffe rhyngwyd yn y gynhadledd yn eich helpu i gymryd y camau cyntaf hyn.

Adolygiad o Reoleiddio – Sue Essex a Lisa Dobbins

Adrodd Stori, Louise Harris, Rheoli yng Ngwasanaeth Cyhoeddus Cymru

Cyfle i ddysgu rhai o'r sgiliau sydd eu hangen i wneud ffilm ddigidol fer 3 munud ac ymchwilio rhai o'r datblygiadau mewn lledaenu storïau digidol megis podleuadau.

Opsiynau Mentora a Hyfforddi - David Crisp

Bydd Cartrefi Cymunedol yn lansio rhaglen fentora ar gyfer aelodau bwrdd – mae hyn yn gyfle i ganfod beth yn union yw mentora a'r hyn y medrai ei gynnig i gyfranogwyr.

Llywodraethu – Paul Griffiths

Sesiwn yn dilyn y prif gyflwyniad

Arweinyddiaeth - Neil Wooding

Sesiwn yn dilyn y prif gyflwyniad



Board Members' Conference 2008

Booking Codes

Description of Booking Category	Fee	Code
Residential delegate to include lunches, refreshments, conference dinner and overnight accommodation on Friday	£300	B1
Residential delegate plus accompanying partner to include lunches, refreshments, conference dinner and overnight accommodation on Friday	£375	B2
Day delegate Friday and Saturday to include lunches, refreshments and conference dinner on Friday	£255	B3

Description of Booking Category	Fee	Code
Day delegate Friday and Saturday to include lunches, refreshments but excluding conference dinner on Friday	£235	B4
Day delegate Friday only to include lunch, refreshments and conference dinner on Friday	£180	B5
Day delegate Friday only to include lunch, refreshments but excluding conference dinner on Friday	£165	B6
Day delegate Saturday only to include lunch and refreshments	£165	B7

If you are a member of a shadow transfer body and want to attend talk to your organisation to support your booking. If you have any problems please contact Conference organiser Rhian Robinson on 029 2055 7413 or via email rhian-robinson@chcymru.org.uk

Closing date for delegate bookings Friday 8th February. All bookings received before closing date will be subject to an Early Bird Discount of £30 per person.

