

# Empowerment: sharing policy and practice

A Community Development Foundation Conference  
Tuesday, 21 October 2008  
International Convention Centre, Birmingham

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# Programme

9.30 am	Registration and refreshments	10.45 am	Refreshments and networking
10.00 am	Welcome and introductions Alison Seabrooke, Chief Executive, CDF	11.00 am	Participants to attend either a workshop (see opposite), or the café dialogue debate
10.10 am	Morning speakers – A practitioner's perspective Kath Maguire – Putting the Duty to Involve into action Gabriel Chanan	12.45 pm	Lunch, exhibition and activities
		2.00 pm	Facilitated group discussions on the Government's empowerment White Paper
		3.30 pm	Keynote speaker Rt Hon Hazel Blears MP, Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government
		4.00 pm	Close

## Café dialogue

This session is a series of themed discussions around key issues in empowerment. Each table will have a facilitator but participants will be free to move around the tables and contribute to all discussions.

**Discussion one** will explore power differentials, looking particularly at community leadership and institutional resistance

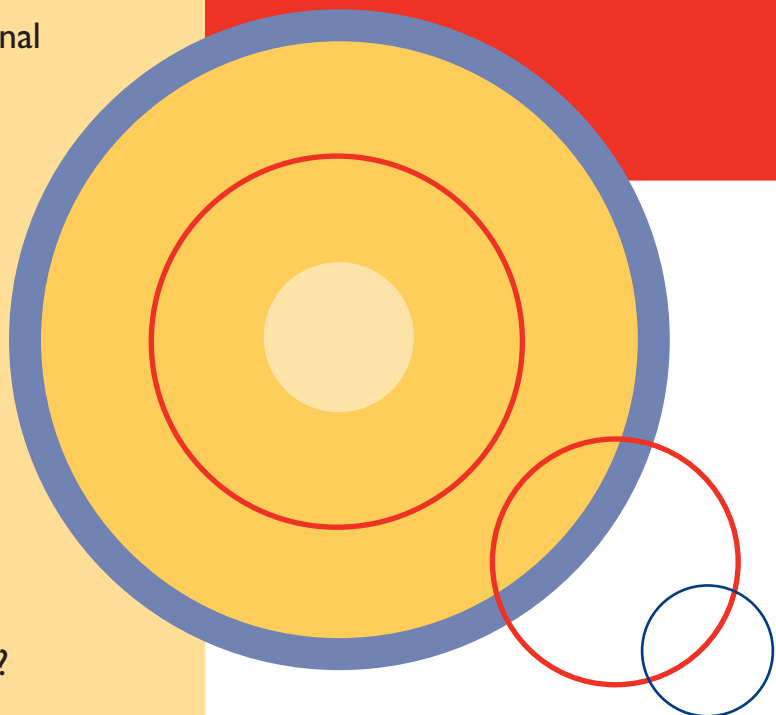
**Discussion two** looks at the issue of resources and funding available for community development and empowerment

**Discussion three** is about empowering local action on global issues; in particular the environment and sustainability

**Discussion four** asks who can and should be facilitating empowerment?

**Discussion five** explores the issues relating to community asset transfer and community anchors

The speakers, venue and programme may be subject to change



At its core, this dynamic and interactive day is about demonstrating community development's contribution to empowerment practice. As well as informative workshops, there will be plenty of opportunity to debate and network with others working in this important area of both policy and practice.

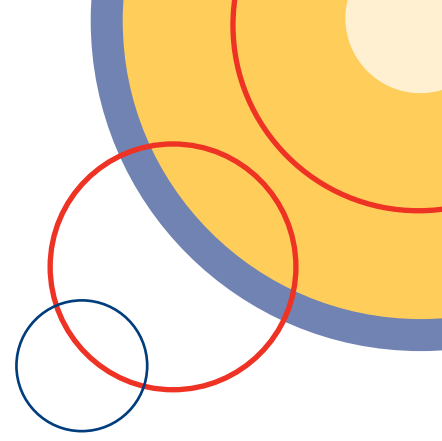
Whether you're a policy-maker in central, regional or local government looking to see real examples of how policies translate into practice, or a community development practitioner wanting to know more about government policy, this event is for you.

- See how community development values and methods can build capacity within communities, and help public authorities to support community empowerment
- Network with key figures in the field
- Debate the issues around empowerment
- Get updates on the latest policy trends
- Share experiences with others facing similar challenges

You will end the day equipped with clear examples of what works and what doesn't, and a real insight into current trends and initiatives.

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## Workshop themes:

- A Making the case for community development** Lessons from action research for effective advocacy and influence
- B Four nations and beyond** Reflecting on policy and practice
- C Tackling exclusion and inequalities** How to develop active citizenship amongst new and marginalised communities, and how to empower the seldom heard
- D Duty to Involve** The implications for public authorities
- E Measuring impact** Using indicators and evaluation frameworks to measure empowerment
- F Community cohesion and participation** The links



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- Café dialogue debate
- Making the case for community development
- Four nations and beyond
- Tackling exclusion and inequalities
- Duty to Involve
- Measuring impact
- Community cohesion and participation

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