

Community Learning and Development Managers Scotland Annual Conference will take place on Tuesday 18 and Wednesday 19 October 2016 in the Westerwood Hotel, Cumbernauld.

The Theme for the Conference is

‘The Role of Community Learning and Development in creating a fairer Scotland’

Our aim is to explore some of the key principles and approaches CLD should consider when:

* Addressing health inequalities
* Tackling poverty through promoting employment and minimising the impact of welfare reform
* Empowering communities - engaging and developing the capacity of local people
* Closing the attainment gap – promoting equality through learning

The conference will be of interest to staff and managers involved in all sectors of community learning and development, including Local Authority Services, Further Education, Community Planning, Voluntary and Third Sector Organisations

(See below for programme outline)

Bookings are now live and can be made by clicking: [online booking form](http://www.youthlinkscotland.org/Bookings/BookingForm.asp?ID=245&MainID=&UserID=&ItemID=112386672)

Places at the full conference, including dinner, meals and overnight accommodation, cost £180. The day delegate rate, including lunch is £75. Further information is available in the booking form.

Please make your booking as soon as possible.

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|  | **Session 1, Tuesday 18 October** |
| 10:00 | Arrival & Registration |
| 10:30 | Welcome and Introductions  Robert Hynd, Interim Chair CLDMS |
| 10:40 | **The role of Community Learning and Development in Creating a Fairer Scotland**  Scottish Government Minister Shirley Anne Somerville |
| 10:50 | **Panel Discussion**: Members of the panel include:   * Jim Sweeney, YouthLink Scotland (Panel Chair) * Shirley Anne Somerville, Scottish First Minister for Further Education, Higher Education & Science * Peter Kelly, Poverty Alliance * Robert Hynd, CLDMS |
| 11:30 | **Setting the scene**  Presentation by Peter Kelly, Director, Poverty Alliance |
| 12:00 | **Implications for community learning and development in Scotland**  Table Discussions – an opportunity to consider and apply key messages from the panel discussion and opening presentation |
| **12:30** | **Lunch** |
|  | Workshops  Delegates will have the opportunity to choose two workshops from the list below. A range of partner organisations will highlight their thoughts and priorities and engage delegates in professional dialogue focusing on how CLD can effectively contribute to addressing the issues.  **Fairer Health**  Kat Hasler NHS Health Scotland  A.N. Other    **Fairer Wealth**  Eileen Downie and Eileen McClafferty, DWP  College Development Network  **Fairer Communities**  David Allan, Scottish Community Development Centre,  Alasdair McKinley, Head of Community Planning and Community Empowerment Unit, Scottish Government,  Development Trust Association Scotland  Paul Anderson, Community Outreach Manager, Scottish Parliament  **Fairer Learning**  Alan Milliken, Association of Directors of Education Scotland  Carol Copstick, Education Scotland |
| 1:30 | Workshop Session 1 |
| 3:00 | **Break** |
| 3:15 | Workshop Session 2 |
| 4:45 | **Close of day 1 – day delegates** |
| 7:00 | Evening Meal |

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|  | **Wednesday 19 October** |
| 9:30 | Registration |
| 10:00 | Welcome and Opening Remarks |
| 10:10 | **Opportunities and Challenges facing CLD in maximising their contribution to building a Fairer Scotland**  Summary of discussions from workshops on day 1 |
| 10:40 | Fairly Included –the role of CLD in promoting inclusion and equality  A rolling programme of round-table discussions giving participants the opportunity to consider the role of CLD in addressing issues of equality and inclusion. Each discussion will last approximately 20 minutes.  Addressing inequality and promoting inclusion for:   * The LGBTi community – lead by LGBT Youth Scotland * Refugees and asylum seekers – led by Scottish Refugee Council * Older people – led by Age Scotland * People with disabilities – Glasgow Disability Alliance * Women and girls – led by Mentors in Violence Prevention Programme * People of all faiths – led by representative of the PREVENT * All – through policy development and implementation – led by Scottish Government. |
| **1:00** | **Lunch** |
|  | **Supporting the field to create a Fairer Scotland; a series of fringe events** |
| 2:00 | Self-evaluation and Inspection : led by Education Scotland   * messages and learning from recent inspections * how can we use the new framework to promote equality and inclusion? |
| 2:30 | Professional Development Opportunities aimed at Equalities: led by CLD Standards Council for Scotland |
| 3:00 | Maximising the impact of CLD 3 year plans on equality and inclusion; led by Education Scotland   * What the 3 year plans say about inequality * Lessons from the Aspect Review of 3 year plans |
| 3:30 | **Finish** |