

# Neighbourhood governance and community engagement

A CDF Conference

14 March 2006  
The Resource Centre, London

£65 to £95



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CDF invites you to participate in a conference to explore how people in local communities can play their part in effective neighbourhood governance.

As part of the process of 'putting power into the hands of the community,' the Government is working on its proposals for 'neighbourhood arrangements,' neighbourhood charters, and links with local area agreements. But what could be the potential role of community groups and organisations, neighbourhood forums and committees?

This conference aims to clarify this. The event will focus on dialogue, testing out participants ideas of what works (and doesn't) on the ground. It will include the opportunity to play the Neighbourhood Governance Game which has been devised by Drew Mackie and David Wilcox to help people explore these issues.

This conference has been organised by Local Level, [www.local-level.org.uk](http://www.local-level.org.uk) for Community Development Foundation [www.cdf.org.uk](http://www.cdf.org.uk)

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## Programme (subject to change)

- 10.00 **Registration, refreshments and networking**
- 10.20 **Welcome**  
*Chair: Carol Hayden, Associate Director, Shared Intelligence*
- 10.30 **The Government Proposals**  
*Mark Hitchen will update participants on the Government's proposals for neighbourhood governance.*  
*Mark Hitchen: Neighbourhoods and Citizen Engagement, Democracy and Local Governance Division, Office of the Deputy Prime Minister*  
**... And the Community Sector**  
Gabriel Chanan will clarify the part that the community sector could play in the Government's proposals.  
*Gabriel Chanan: Co-Director of Policy, Community Development Foundation*
- 11.00 **The Neighbourhood Governance Game**  
A practical session in which all participants will be able to contribute to a fictional scenario where the practicalities, power relationships and capacity issues of neighbourhood governance are explored. David Wilcox and Drew Mackie designed the game to bring the key issues for local people and organisations to the surface. It will be thought-provoking but fun!  
*David Wilcox: Partnerships Online and Drew Mackie: Drew Mackie Associates*
- Refreshments will be available during this session
- 12.45 **Lunch and networking**

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(including lunch and refreshments)

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Standard conference fee (statutory and private sector) £95

Early bird fee (payment to be received by 1 March 2006) £80

Voluntary/community sector/students £65

Please specify any special dietary requirements

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### Bookings and enquiries

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- 14.15 **Seeing the Wood for the Trees: the Transforming Neighbourhoods Programme**  
The Young Foundation has been carrying out a detailed action research study, Transforming Neighbourhoods, on neighbourhood governance. Paul Hilder will introduce the latest findings on the workstreams on research, policy-shaping and innovation.  
*Paul Hilder: Director, Transforming Neighbourhoods Programme, The Young Foundation*
- 14.35 **Informal Networking and Neighbourhood Governance**  
*Susie Hay* has been carrying out practical work on the ways in which community activists network together. She will explore with participants the relationship between informal networking and governance.  
*Susie Hay: Shortwork*
- 14.55 **Discussion**
- 15.15 **Break and networking**
- 15.40 **Panel discussion**  
Conference participants will have the chance to raise issues and share experiences with a panel including experienced local activists.
- 16.10 **Concluding remarks**  
*Chair: Carol Hayden, Associate Director, Shared Intelligence*
- 16.15 Conference closes

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