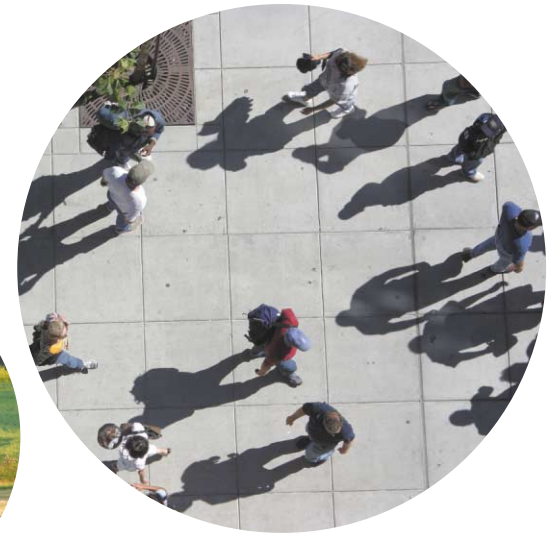


who should attend

community groups
voluntary organisations
enterprises
development trusts
civic trusts
regeneration professionals
planners
builders
architects
local authorities
parish councils
public service providers
hospitals
schools
police
housing associations
fire services
environmental groups
arts groups
sports groups
equality groups
professional advisers



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the south west centre for sustainable communities

annual conference: 20 & 21 October 2005

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Creating:excellence, the South West Regional Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Communities, will be holding its annual conference creating:communities on 20 and 21 October at the Plymouth Pavilions.

The event seeks to inspire and inform all those involved in achieving sustainable communities through regeneration and renewal in the South West.

Including visits to creative projects, in-depth challenging workshops and lively plenary sessions this two day event will provide attendees with a wider understanding and access to expert knowledge about how the South West can improve its work to achieve sustainable communities.

Day One:

9.30 - 12.00	<p>Tours of stimulating projects and places in and around Plymouth (see last page for full details)</p> <p>New Communities - Plymstock Quarry, Roger Smith, Westbury Homes and Jonathon Selman, Plymouth City Council</p> <p>Flagship projects - Royal William Yard, Peter Jones, Urban Splash</p> <p>Sustainable Neighbourhoods Tour, Peter Ford, Plymouth City Council and Bernie Faulkes, LDA Design</p> <p>Building Sustainable Communities through joint environmental action - changing places, changing lives in Plymouth's rural-urban fringe, led by Groundwork South West</p>
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch - opportunity to visit exhibition stands
14.00 - 15.15	<p>Main plenary debate - creating truly sustainable communities, Speakers including: Professor Peter Roberts, Chair of the Academy for Sustainable Communities, Ian Piper, Head of Regeneration, South West Regional Development Agency & Georgie Constable, Director, Plymouth Community Partnership</p>
15.15 - 16.00	Tea/coffee - with lively entertainment
16.00 - 17.15	<p>CHOOSE FROM</p> <p>First workshop session</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Liveable neighbourhoods: building sustainable communities, Peter Lipman, Sustrans, Charles Couzens, Somerset Trust for Sustainable Development</p>
18.45-19.45	Evening drinks reception with canapes

Day Two:

9.00 - 9.30	Introduction and inspiration for day two
9.30 - 10.45	<p>CHOOSE FROM</p> <p>Second workshop session</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Debate on mainstreaming the results of regeneration</p>
10.45 - 11.15	Tea/coffee and a chance to visit exhibition stands
11.15 - 12.30	<p>CHOOSE FROM</p> <p>Choice of third workshop session</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Learning from our mistakes - bad practice amnesty confessional, Dominic Murphy, creating:excellence and Steven Woollett, South West Forum, will lead this open session to find constructive learning from when things went wrong.</p>
12.30 - 13.15	'Speed-dating' ...special networking and learning challenge. This session will bring together all delegates to network with the aim of setting up mentoring, action learning sets, shadowing opportunities and other 'real ways of learning' as outlined in a special publication which will be sent to all delegates with their joining instructions.
13.15 - 14.15	Lunch - opportunity to tour exhibition stands
14.15 - 15.15	European View - Sustainable Communities plenary session
15.15 - 15.30	Event round-up
15.30 - 16.00	Tea/coffee

Energising workshops will cover the eight component areas of sustainable communities (see next page for details)

Workshops

This year the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister defined sustainable communities as being: environmentally sensitive, well-designed and built, well connected, thriving, well served, fair for everyone, well run, and active, inclusive and safe. Our workshops will address each of these components in topical, lively and informative ways.

WORKSHOP SESSION 1

- (A) **Governance...** Regional Strategy, impact and development
- (B) **Transport and connectivity...** Digital Peninsula Network, Lynda Davis, John Cowles
- (C) **Services...** Intergrating delivery of local services and making them responsive to local demands - West Cornwall Local Strategic Partnership, Sandra Rothwell
- (D) **Environment...** Small Scale Rural Regeneration projects - Chapter 7, Simon Fairlie
- (E) **Economy...** The importance of skills for sustainable economy - South West Enterprise and Skills Alliance, Steve Lydon
- (F) **Housing and Built Environment...** Sustainable Construction - Somerset Trust for Sustainable Development, Charles Couzens
- (G) **Social and Cultural...** How equalities issues contribute to inclusive communities and the benefit of including equalities communities in service planning and delivery - Equality SouthWest, Tim Roberts & Simon Nelson
- (H) **Sustainable Communities...** learning outcomes that matter for sustainable communities - creating:excellence, Dominic Murphy

WORKSHOP SESSION 2

- (I) **Governance...** Bridging the gap between professionals and non-professionals, participative workshop in two groups - Future Perspectives, Frances Truscott
- (J) **Transport and Connectivity...** Making Liveable Neighbourhoods, role play to redesign a street laid out with mini cars, pavements and street furniture in this interactive workshop with Sustrans, Peter Lipman
- (K) **Services...** Public sector procurement and social enterprise - RISE, the voice of South West social enterprise, Lucy Findlay
- (L) **Environment...** Energy in Sustainable Development – Cornwall Sustainable Energy Partnership and Energy for Sustainable Development (ESD)

- (M) **Economy...** Sustainable Economic Development - Institution of Economic Development
- (N) **Planning and the Built Environment...** Planning and community involvement - Royal Town Planning Institute, Louise Waring
- (O) **Social and Cultural...** Funding to achieve social and cultural impact - Big Lottery Fund, Mark Cotton
- (P) **Sustainable communities...** Rural issues, evidence for activity - Supporting Evidence for Local Delivery, Brian Nute

WORKSHOP SESSION 3

- (Q) **Governance...** Local Area Agreements, looking forward
- (R) **Transport and Connectivity...** Public Transport, connecting people and services
- (S) **Services...** Developing buildings and services to extend the reach of schools - Community at Heart, Pete Davies
- (T) **Environment...** Sustainability appraisal tool kit, pre-assessing the impact of your work - Sustainability South West, Leslie Watson
- (U) **Economy...** Encouraging a flourishing and diverse economy, regional strategies - South West Regional Development Agency
- (V) **Planning and the Built Environment...** Designing for mixed use - Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment, Mark Pearson
- (W) **Social and Cultural...** Vibrant communities - Culture South West, Pippa Warin

On the booking form we ask you which workshops you would like to attend. Please choose three for each session. Please make a note of the letter next to each workshop for the booking form.

Tours

① New Communities

(Roger Smith, Westbury Homes and Jonathon Selman, Plymouth City Council)

Plymstock Quarry is one of the largest brownfield sites in the South West Region. Formerly a cement works with two quarries, it is now owned by Westbury Homes. Westbury is working in a formal partnership with Plymouth City Council to facilitate the redevelopment of this major site. The masterplan and design code is now being developed by Westbury with the City Council to form the basis of an outline planning application early next year.

② Flagship Projects - Royal William Yard

(Peter Jones, Urban Splash)

ROYAL WILLIAM YARD MASTERPLAN Plymouth

Since becoming owners of the Royal William Yard in 1999, the South West RDA has spent more than £20 million renovating the area. The 14-acre site was the former naval victualling yard. Many exciting solutions are being considered and developed such as hotels, bars, office space and more apartments. The site was opened for pedestrian access on 5 August 2005.

③ Sustainable Neighbourhoods Tour

(Peter Ford, Plymouth City Council and Bernie Faulkes, LDA Design)

The Stonehouse Millbay Area represents one of the city's most important regeneration opportunities over the coming decade. Plans are emerging to revitalise this part of the city, including Millbay Docks, Union Street and the historic areas of Stonehouse. The walking tour will take in some of the key sites and highlight some of the opportunities to remake places and to re-create sustainable neighbourhoods.

④ Building Sustainable Communities through joint environmental action - changing places, changing lives in Plymouth's rural-urban fringe (led by Groundwork South West)

Every year Groundwork delivers thousands of projects in neighbourhoods which are blighted by high unemployment and crime levels, poor public health, run-down housing and public spaces, waste ground and struggling businesses. Groundwork South West will tell us about some of their community development work such as their Community Mentors Training programme and Horticultural Healing project and show us the environmental work they've been doing in and around Plymouth, including: Saltmills Park in Saltash; Barne Barton environmental enhancements and a number of others (if we have time!).



The deadline for conference bookings is 30 September 2005.

Full confirmed details of the conference speakers, joining instructions, and details of your workshops will be issued during week commencing 3 October.

A bursary fund is available to assist people/organisations who want to attend the conference but to whom the cost may be a barrier. Please see our conference bursary form for full details and deadline for bursary applications.

Creating:excellence reserves the right to change workshops and speakers from those outlined if the need arises.

For further information email conference@creatingexcellence.org.uk