

**Community
Housing
Cymru
Events**



Annual Conference 2019

**Mercure Holland
House Hotel, Cardiff**
21st November 2019

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Thursday 21st November

08.30AM	Registration, Refreshments & Networking <i>Calon Suite Lobby</i>
09:00AM	Welcome
	Calon Suite 1
	<i>Sian Lloyd, Broadcaster & Journalist – Conference Chair</i> <i>@SianLloydnews</i>
09.10am	Ministerial Address
	Calon Suite 1
	<i>Julie James AM, Minister for Housing & Regeneration</i> <i>@WGMin_Housing</i>
	After almost a year in the post, the Minister will reflect on her time as Minister and the huge amount of work that is ongoing following the Independent Review of Affordable Housing Supply.
09.30am	Scene Setting
	<i>Stuart Ropke, CEO, Community Housing Cymru</i> <i>@Stuart_CHC</i>
	As CHC celebrates its 30th Birthday, Stuart will look back at the growth of housing associations and CHC, and look to the future, with our exciting plans to help members deliver our <i>Housing Horizons</i> vision and realise the impact of a Wales where good housing is a basic right for all.



10:00AM	What's Next for Westminster?
	<i>Nick Watt, Political Editor of BBC Newsnight</i>
	<p>Nick Watt has worked in national journalism for nearly 30 years, and likes to joke that the downfall of Margaret Thatcher marked his debut in political journalism. As the political editor of BBC Newsnight, he has unrivalled expertise on Brexit and the current political outlook across the UK.</p> <p>With the UK set to leave the European Union on 31st October, our Annual Conference will come at a time of unprecedented political turmoil in the UK. Find out what it means for housing in Wales.</p>

10:45AM	Refreshment Break Calon Suite 2
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11.15am	What's next for the economy?
	<i>Grace Blakeley, Economics Commentator at the New Statesman</i>
	<p>As the New Statesman's Economic Commentator and a Research Fellow on the IPPR's Commission on Economic Justice, Grace has been a regular on broadcast media channels across the UK, discussing the future of the UK economy.</p> <p>Grace will use her expertise in macro-economics and housing to help delegates think about how the latest economic developments, including Brexit will affect their businesses</p>

12.00pm	Networking Lunch
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13:00	Building Communities: Inside and Out
	<i>Chris Chinnock, Nurture Development</i>
	<p>Our Housing Horizon's Vision seeks to build communities where people are healthier, more prosperous and more connected. How do we do</p>



	this from the ground up? This session will teach delegates how to focus on what's strong and not what's wrong and explore Asset Based Community Development.
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13.45

Workshops

Foundational Economy

Karel Williams

As Welsh Government prioritises the Foundational Economy, find out what it means for HA's, what role we can play and how it will shape our future decisions and investments.

13.45

Partnership, Collaboration and Joint Venture

Helen Collins and Steve Partridge, Savills

Collaboration continues to be an important theme for the sector. The Affordable Housing Review recommended a need for greater collaboration between housing associations and with partners including local authorities.

Join Savills to hear about their joint publication with CHC and what practical steps you can take to increase collaboration

13.45

Diversity in the workplace

Nia Morgan, Director of Finance, National Assembly for Wales

How can we ensure our future workplaces embrace diversity? How do we tackle unconscious bias? Join Nia to find out what steps the National Assembly for Wales are taking.

13.45

"Our Future Wales"

Bonnie Navarra, Office of the Future Generations Commissioner

In 2020 the first Future Generations Commissioner will publish its first Future Generations report.



Housing will be one of the key considerations in the report, which will make recommendations on how Wales meets its objectives under the Well-being of Future Generations Act. This session will give delegates the opportunity to share their ideas or concerns on the progress towards achieving the vision set out in the Act.

13.45 Regulatory Update

Ian Walters, Head of Regulation, Welsh Government

Join Welsh Government's Head of Regulation to hear about the latest developments in the Regulation of the sector, including the development of the Regulator's new approach to governance and risk which is due to be launched next year.

14.45 Refreshment Break

15.15 Ending Homelessness

Jon Sparkes, Chief Executive, Crisis

As part of their 50th Anniversary, Crisis worked across Great Britain to develop a plan to end homelessness. Their ambition is that no one sleeps rough, everyone has a safe place to live and we focus on preventing homelessness.

Following this work, their Chief Executive, Jon Sparkes, was appointed to chair Welsh Government's Homelessness Action Group. In this session, Jon will reflect on his experience of the group and provoke a discussion on how Housing Associations can help to end homelessness in Wales.

15.45 From Battlefield to Boardroom

Gemma Morgan, Morganeight

Calon Suite 1



Operating deep inside Kosovo prior to the NATO campaign, Gemma's leadership was tested amidst the harsh realities of human conflict, but she soon realised her toughest battle is about to begin. With over 20 years international experience in leadership and team performance, across the military, business and elite sport sectors, Gemma will share her leadership experiences with

Gemma will inspire delegates to reflect their own challenges and those of their organisation and commit to do something better."

16.45	End of Day 1
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17.00	CHC AGM – Brecon Suite
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Chaired by Andrew Martyn-Johns, Chair, Community Housing Cymru

19:30	Drinks Reception
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Calon Suite Lobby

20.00 20:00PM	Conference Dinner followed by entertainment provided by Cover Shot
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Friday 22nd November

09:00AM	Registration & Networking Calon Suite Lobby
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09:30AM	Will robots take our Jobs?
	Calon Suite 1
	<i>Dr. Nicola Millard, Principal Innovation Partner, BT</i>
	Who better to ask about the Future of Work than Dr. Nicola Millard, Principal Innovation Partner at BT? Nicola will discuss workplace agility, the office of the future and what kinds of skills managers need to be equipped with to lead 21st century teams.

10:15AM	How to tackle the Climate Emergency
	<i>Rachel Armstrong, Sustainability Innovator and Senior TED Fellow,</i>
	As Governments around the world declare climate emergencies we ask how housing associations can tackle this. Rachel will address environmental challenges such as carbon capture & recycling, smart 'living' materials and new approaches to sustainable design and challenge delegates to think 'outside the box' to develop innovative environmental solutions.

11.00AM	Refreshment Break
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11:30AM	Innovation Landscape
	Sarah Weller, Director, ?What If!



	<p>Following the launch of <i>Alcemi</i> - ,CHC will be working with our sister housing federations and <i>?What If!</i> to explore collaborative innovation.</p> <p>No matter the question, there is no sure answer. But over 25 years <i>?What If!</i> have found a proven way to de-risk growth, believing that the impact comes from not just what we do but how we do it.</p> <p>Sarah will share her thoughts on the innovation landscape and how to embed an innovation culture within the workplace.</p>
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12:30 pm	A House through Time
	<i>David Olusoga, Historian and Presenter of BBC's A House Through Time</i>
	<p>David Olusoga is a British-Nigerian historian, broadcaster and film-maker. An award-winning presenter and documentary maker, he is also a regular writer for The Guardian and The Observer and has written for The Nation and BBC History Magazine.</p> <p>In his BBC series, A House Through Time, David charts British history as lived by the successive inhabitants of a single home in a British city. As we look to the future of housing in Wales, David will ask what lessons we can learn from history.</p>
13.15 pm	End of Day 2 Conference Conclusions
13.20 pm	Lunch & Depart Calon Suite 2