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# Agenda

**Housing Directors Network  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017  
Mid Wales Housing Association  
Ty Canol, Ffordd Croesawdy, Newtown SY16 1AL**

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Coffee will be available from 10:00am; the meeting will start at 10:20am.

- 10:20**      **Welcome & Introductions**  
Scott Sanders - Chair
- 10:25**      **CHC Updates**
- Homes for Wales
  - Board Membership
  - ACEs Survey
- 10:30**      **Policy Updates**
- Innovative Housing Programme
  - Supported Housing
  - Employability (N.B. Michelle Smith of MHA will provide this update)
  - Rent Policy
  - Affordability of Social Housing

Please come prepared to discuss these issues. Papers accompanying this agenda will inform this debate. We'd particularly like to hear your thoughts on innovative housing projects your organization is involved in, your thoughts on the rent policy consultation and your thoughts on how we achieve the commitments set out in the response to Shelter Cymru's report Accessing and Sustaining Social Tenancies.

- 11:10**      **Round Robin – What Are You Up To? (welfare reform special!)**  
Please come prepared to contribute to the discussion as to strategic responses to all areas of welfare reform - are you doing something innovative? Something others could learn from? Let us know!
- 11:45**      **Cardiff Met Research on the Impact of UC on Tenants**  
Amanda Protheroe and Marc Fury – Cardiff Metropolitan University
- 12:15**      **Discussion**  
What learning can we take from the report and how might that change our practices?
- 12:45**      **Pobl – Scenario Planning for LHA Cap & UC**  
Scott Sanders and Steve Evans
- 13:15**      **Discussion – Analysing the impact of Universal Credit**  
Please come prepared to discuss the assumptions you are using to determine impact of UC on your business
- 13:45**      **Lunch**
- 14:15**      **Rural Housing Challenges in the Context of Welfare Reform**  
Shane Perkins – Chief Executive, Mid Wales Housing Association
- 14:40**      **Discussion – How are the Network responding to rural housing issues?**  
Please come prepared to discuss issues specific to working under pressure of welfare reform in rural areas
- 15:00**      **Welfare Reform's Impact on Gypsies and Travellers**  
Rebecca Preston – Gwalia – Gwent Gypsy and Traveller Service Lead
- 15:20**      **AOB**
- 15:30**      **Close**