CLES Summit 2012

Who should attend the Summit?

Economic development and planning professionals; policy managers; social enterprises; community and voluntary sector organisations; charities; architects; private sector businesses in local enterprise partnership (LEP) and enterprise zones; LEP partnership and board members and staff.

Prices

• CLES/ New Start members: £150

• CLES/ New Start VCS members: £125

• VCS non members: £150

• No members: £295

Special Offer

• 50% off membership when booking a Summit place.

For more information on this special offer and full pricing details please visit the website: www.cles.org.uk/Summit2012

Bursaries

CLES is offering a limited number of places for the Summit at a very reduced cost of £25. These will be available to people involved in voluntary and community groups in the UK who could not otherwise attend. For more details please contact Laura Symonds on \mid 0161 236 7036 or laurasymonds@cles.org.uk

How to book

Go to www.cles/org.uk/Summit2012 and complete the online booking form. You will receive email confirmation that we have received your booking. If you have any queries please contact Laura Symonds on 0161 236 7036 or laurasymonds@cles.org.uk

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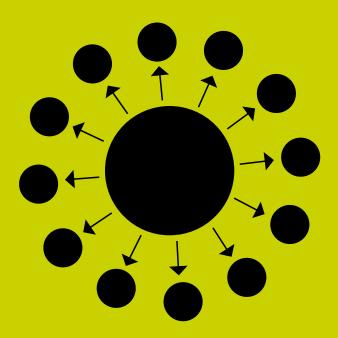


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Making the most of localism

4th July 2012 • Kings House Conference Centre, Manchester

Confirmed speakers include:

Julia Unwin Chief Executive, Joseph Rowntree Foundation; Ian Stewart Mayor of Salford; Simon Parker Director, NLGN; David Walker Contributing Editor, Guardian Public; Lord Victor Adebowale Chief Executive, Turning Point; Jay Kennedy Head of Policy, Directory of Social Change; Michael Ward Chair, CLES Board; Jennifer Tankard Director, Community Development Foundation; Cllr Nick McDonald Executive member for Jobs, Skills & Business, Nottingham City Council; Chris Murray Director, Core Cities; Anna Turley Editor, Progressive Localism; Neil McInroy Chief Executive, CLES. More to be announced.

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Making the most of localism

More power for local places, local government and communities is a positive move. However, any shift in power from Whitehall to the Town Hall, and to communities and citizens, must deliver real benefits, with better social and economic outcomes. Making the most of localism is about working toward a progressive and better future for people and place.

The CLES Summit 2012 will offer delegates a range of key note speakers and interactive sessions which will interrogate current ways of thinking and offer new alternatives and solutions.

Outline programme

- Registration and refreshments 9:00
- **Introduction: Neil McInroy** 10:00
- Keynote speaker 10:10
- Plenary: A better local future 10:30

Localism must deliver real benefits by tackling inequality and creating better economic and social outcomes. This opening plenary, featuring key thinkers, will explore the potential and limits of a more localist future in delivering these outcomes, with some consideration given to the present and future role of central government.

- 11:15 Break
- Question time: creating socially inclusive places

Localism must grow the community and voluntary sector and increase the levels of social inclusion whilst reducing poverty and disadvantage. This question time session will see each panellist give an opening 5 minute offering on the social challenges and how a more local future can address them. From there the session will open to a range of questions from the floor.

12:45 Lunch

1:45 **Policy workshop sessions**

These breakout sessions will cover key policy areas within the localist agenda. This includes: elected Mayors, City deals, Local Enterprise Partnerships, Neighbourhood planning, Town centres and co-operative councils.

- 1. Local Enterprise Partnerships: Creating enduring growth? Are LEPS heralding in a new era of more locally determined growth, or are they under resourced with little capacity or policy power? This session will explore where they are up to and what their prospects are.
- 2. New citizenship: Neighbourhood planning, right to bid, build and **challenge?** The localism act brings in a range of new community and citizen powers. This session explores these and ponders whether this represents a real power shift with better outcomes, or just more complexity.
- **3. Employment and skills: Can we do more locally?** We have a jobs crisis. This is a social and an economic problem now as regards welfare payments but represents significant drag on the economy in the longer term. This session considers what more could be done locally to tackle this issue.
- 4. A progressive future for local democracy: The prospects for elected **mayors and city deals.** The City hall is receiving more power, through city deals and elected mayors, heralding a new era in local democracy. This session will explore these changes and consider whether we will see a greater ability to drive local government priorities.
- 2:45 Break
- 3.00 Question time: creating economically inclusive places

More power to local areas should herald a greater ability to steward and steer a positive local economic future. This question time session will see each panellist give an opening 5 minute offering on the local economic challenges and how a more local future could address them. From there the session will open to a range of questions from the floor.

- **Future ideas and Better Places** 4.15
- 5.00 End

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