

Future Local

Larger Councils' Conference & Exhibition

Wednesday 3 December 2014, Royal National Hotel London

09.00 – 10.00	Delegate Registration Exhibition Open Refreshments and networking
10.00 – 10.10	Welcome from Councillor Ken Browse, Chairman of NALC
10:10 – 10:40	Annette Brooke MP, Chair of Liberal Democrat Parliamentary Party
10.40 – 11.10	Andy Sawford MP, Shadow Local Government Minister
11:10 – 11:40	Oliver Letwin MP, Minister for Government Policy, Cabinet Office
11:40 – 12.10	Refreshments and networking
12:10 – 12.40	Hustings for elections to the Larger Councils Committee
12:40 – 13.40	Lunch and networking
13:40 – 14:35	A. Using Our Place! to bring partners together to improve public services

The Our Place! approach is about putting the community at the heart of decision making and bringing together the right people – councillors, public servants, businesses, voluntary and community organisations and the community itself – to revolutionise the way a neighbourhood works. With around 100 areas across the country taking forward this approach, hear from two trail blazing town councils about their successes and challenges so far.

Speakers:
Helen Ball, Shrewsbury Town Council
Lance Allan, Trowbridge Town Council

B. Beyond bricks and mortar: how to build community cohesion

This session will share good practice and top tips about how to engage with different and diverse communities and groups in your area

Speakers:

Councillor Isabella Fraser, Campbell Park Parish Council
Councillor Tom Fraser, Campbell Park Parish Council

C. How to shape the future of your area through strategic and neighbourhood plans (*Sponsored By RCOH*)

Advice, top tips and insights on working with communities to successfully plan, design and deliver development

Speakers:

Neil Homer, RCOH
Andrew Barrett-Miles, Burgess Hill Town Council
Llew Monger, Winslow Town Council
Carole Robertson, Ferring Parish Council

D. Town councils driving regeneration and local economic development

Increasingly town councils are focussing their work on helping revitalise the high street and retail offer, boosting tourism and playing a central role in economic development. This session will show you how to do all this and more!

Speakers:

David Preston, Oswestry Town Council

14.40 – 15:35	Repeat of workshops
15:35 – 15:55	Refreshments and networking
15:55 – 16:30	Councillor Peter Fleming, Local Government Association, Chair of Improvement and Innovation Board
16.30 – 16.45	Closing remarks from Councillor Ken Browse, Chairman of NALC (including results of election to Larger Councils Committee)