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## **ANNUAL WORKSHOP 2007**

# **Joining-up Locally: Partnerships for Better Practice & Performance**

*Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th April 2007*

Stamford Hall, University of Leicester

Recent government publications and enactments promote the importance of partnership working as a means of securing 'joined up solutions' to 'joined up problems' and improving outcomes for vulnerable people at local level.

In doing so, the emphasis is on statutory agencies working more closely and effectively in partnership with the private sector, the voluntary sector and with users and carers - and ensuring that those who provide services do so to the highest of standards.

This event - intended for practitioners, managers, researchers and planning and evaluation staff - will engage participants in a range of informative sessions that will include discussion of:

- the impact of recent legislation on practice
- researching the politics, ethics and pragmatism of partnerships
- local partnerships and agreements
- developing the 'outcomes' and performance agenda for children and for adults
- results based accountability and evidence informed practice
- user-driven service evaluation

Speakers have been drawn from government departments, local authorities, improvement agencies, inspectorates, the independent sector and academia.

As usual with SSRG events, sessions are intended to stimulate discussion and encourage networking.

**Attendance at this event can be used as evidence of continuing professional development and 'certificates of attendance' will be provided for CPD portfolios.**

***The annual workshop once again represents outstanding value in terms of both content and cost.***

# Booking Form

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I wish to attend as follows: (please tick)

	<b>SSRG Member</b>	<b>Non Member</b>
3 day residential: 16 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> April	<input type="checkbox"/> £355	<input type="checkbox"/> £410
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> only (B&B not inc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> £110	<input type="checkbox"/> £130
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> only* (B&B not inc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> £110	<input type="checkbox"/> £130
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> only (B&B not inc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> £110	<input type="checkbox"/> £130
3 day non-residential	<input type="checkbox"/> £295	<input type="checkbox"/> £345
*Extra for annual dinner (Tues)	<input type="checkbox"/> £22	<input type="checkbox"/> £22

Additional en-suite accommodation and breakfast is available on campus for £59 per person. If this is required please tick:

Sunday night:  Monday:  Tuesday:

The three day residential rate includes en-suite bed and breakfast accommodation on Monday and Tuesday, all meals including the annual dinner, attendance at plenary and a choice of workshop/small group sessions, and delegates information pack.

**Payment: I enclose a cheque/please invoice, for £.....**

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**Bookings will be confirmed by email wherever possible**

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# Programme

## MONDAY 16th APRIL

**9.30: Registration and Coffee**

**10.30: Welcome** **Martin Stevens,**  
*Chair SSRG*

**10.40: Introduction** **Andrew Cozens,**  
*Improvement and Development  
Agency (I&DeA)*

**11.00: Plenary: What a Difference a  
Year Makes: Scanning Social  
Care Policies in the Four UK  
Nations** **Ray Jones, Consultant**

**11.45: Break**

**12.15: Plenary: Using Local Compacts  
for Better LAAs and  
Partnerships** **Paul Barasi,**  
*Compact Voice*

**Plenary: The White Paper and  
it's Impact on LAAs and LSPs**  
**Catherine Docherty, DCLG**

**1.15: Lunch**

**2.15: Workshops/Small Groups**

**(a) Working Together for  
Wellbeing: From Vision to  
Reality** **Andrew Cozen, I&DeA**  
and **Steve Korta, Lancashire  
CC.**

**(b) Turning the Curve in  
Children's Services: the  
Contribution of Results Based  
Accountability** **Jacky Tiotto,**  
*DfES*

**(c) Local Compacts in Action**  
**Paul Barasi, Compact Voice**

**(d) Partnership in Action:  
LAAs in Nottinghamshire**  
**Janet Mills, GOEM and Liz  
Mandeville and Joe Pidgeon,**  
*Nottinghamshire CC*

**3.30: Plenary: The Workforce –  
The Foundation of Seamless  
Practice** **Nick Johnson, Social  
Care Association**

**4.15: Concluding Comments/  
Depart/Tea**

**4.45: SSRG AGM**

**7.00: Dinner**

## TUESDAY 17th APRIL

9.00: Registration and Coffee

10.00: Welcome **Chair, SSRG**  
Introduction  
**Chief Executive, SCIE**

10.30: Plenary: Researching Partnerships: Politics, Ethics and Pragmatism  
**Sue Balloch, University of Brighton**

11.15: Refreshments

11.45: Workshops/Small Groups

(a) Research in Practice - Introducing Practitioner Research to a Children's Agency **Maggie Mellon, Children 1st**

(b) A Research Governance Guide for Practitioners  
**Mick Stanley, Barnsley SSD** and **Mike Bramall, Barnsley Health and Social Care R&D Alliance**

(c) Ethical Participation by Researchers, Practitioners and Service Users in Health and Social Care: Experimental Innovations  
**Paul Kiff, University of East London**

(d) Direct Payments and the Market **David Leece, Manchester Met University** and **Janet Leece, Staffordshire University**

12.45: Lunch

2.00: Plenary: It's not so Much What you Know - More What you Don't Know - that Matters **Steven Shardlow, University of Salford**

2.45: Workshops/Small Groups

(a) In the Know: Knowledge Transfer Partnerships - an Example of a Successful Model of Knowledge Exchange between a University and a Local Authority **Jess McEwen** and **Angie Liversedge, Wakefield MDC**

(b) Beyond Reproach? The Impact of Regulation on Professional Practice and Conduct **Ian Johnston, BASW** and **Paul Webster, GSCC**

(c) Practical Partnership: User-driven Service Evaluation **Jeff Bashton** and **Chris Russell, Consultants** and **Jim Cowan, LB Wandsworth**

(d) The Cost Calculator for Children's Services: Better Decision Making in Commissioning and Education Services **Jean Soper, Loughborough University** and **Si Chun Lam, Coventry Council**

3.45: Refreshments

4.15: Plenary: Do Health and Social Care Partnerships Deliver Better Outcomes for Service Users and How Would we Know?  
**Jon Glasby, University of Birmingham**

5.00: Concluding Remarks/ Summary

6.00: Debate: *The Move to Joint Working with the NHS and with Education Means the End of Social Work:*

Arguing FOR the Motion: **Jon Glasby**

Arguing AGAINST the Motion: **Jill Manthorpe**

Referee: **Paul Waddington**

7.00: **Annual Dinner**  
**Annual Quiz**

## WEDNESDAY 18th APRIL

9.00: Registration and Coffee

10.00: Welcome **Chair, SSRG**  
Introduction **Tim Hind, LGA**

10.30: Plenary: Outcomes Focussed Practice: the Paradigm Shift in Public Services **Rob Hutchinson, Consultant**

11.15: Refreshments

11.45: Workshops/Small Groups  
(a) Joint Working Toward a Better Performance Framework **Tish Gailey, LA Lead, Strategic Information Group on Adult Social Care**

(b) Developing the Performance Agenda for Children: The Role of External Scrutiny **Meena Kishinani, LB Barking and Dagenham**

(c) Boids, Butterflies and Bacteria - How Can the Insights from the New Science of Complexity Help Local Partnership Working? **Clive Downs, Reading Council** and **Mike Pinnock, Hull City Council**

(d) Partnership in Inspection: Lessons from the Review of the NSF for Older People **Jill Manthorpe, Kings College**

12.45: Lunch

2.00: Plenary: From Painting by Numbers to Creative Expression - Moving Commissioning to a New Era **Nigel Walker, CSIP**

2.45: Workshops/Small Groups  
(a) Safeguarding Children: Measuring Progress and Outcomes for Child Safety **Jane Cunliffe, Department for Education and Skills**

(b) The Performance/Risk Framework and Performance Measures for Adult Social Care 2008  
**Alan Rosenbach, Nick Miller** and **David Burnham, Commission for Social Care Inspection**

(c) Population Estimates - as Used in Performance Indicators **Jonathan Swan, ONS**

(d) Evaluating the Outcomes of Health and Social Care Partnerships: the POET Approach **Helen Dickinson, University of Birmingham**

3.45: Refreshments

4.15: Concluding Remarks/ Summary/ Depart



## The Venue

The Annual Workshop is being held in Stamford Hall, which is situated at the Oadby Campus close to the Botanic Gardens and Leicester Racecourse.

Oadby is around three miles from Leicester railway station.

A plan of the Oadby Centre can be accessed at:  
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Ample free car parking is available.

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## Equal Opportunities

As part of SSRG's Equal Opportunities Policy we are offering a limited number of subsidised places for this workshop to users and carers assisted by social services. Delegates who need support in order to attend the workshop may bring personal assistants/carers at no extra charge. In addition, local childcare facilities can be made available if notice is given before 23rd March.

Please contact David Henderson for further information. [Dhender421@aol.com](mailto:Dhender421@aol.com)

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