



online seminars

Tackling the homelessness crisis



Wednesday 9 October 2024

Microsoft Teams



Programme

10:30 Session One

Can the new government tackle the housing emergency

- Funding, tools and capacity
- Policy reforms and new legislation
- The role of local authorities

Venus Galarza, Policy Manager, Shelter

How can improve the interventions and innovations for tackling homelessness

- The importance of evidence based decision making
- Understanding how homelessness and rough sleeping systems work
- The impact of the initiative

Abby Kendrick, Data and Evidence Lead, Centre for Homelessness Impact

Housing (Scotland) Bill: Prevention of Homelessness

- The current scale of the issue in North Lanarkshire
- Putting in place plans for the implementation of the Bill
- Implications for the council

Audrey McGuinness, Business Planning Manager, North Lanarkshire Council

Making every community asset count

- Creative health approaches as a core part of support services for homeless people
- Understanding the impact of trauma
- How services can work together effectively to prevent and tackle homelessness

Monique Lhussier, Professor in Public Health and Wellbeing, Northumbria University

Audience question and answer session

11:45 Comfort break

11:55 Session Two

A workforce fit for the challenge

- Capacity - making the case for change and winning support
- Capability - Identifying opportunities to grow capacity and empowering officers to be creative
- Culture - Keeping the customer at the heart

Anna Robbani, Head of Housing, Homelessness and Customer Service, Bedford Borough Council

Making a Wave! Projects to alleviate rough sleeping

- Overview of the scale of the issue in Newham
- Adopting a culture and approach to effect change
- What has been implemented and how is it making a difference

Cllr Neil Wilson, Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care and Karl Henson, Assistant Director for Health, London Borough of Newham

International Mayors Council on Homelessness

- Informing council members of international policy and resolutions from the United Nations
- Reducing homelessness and the importance of partnerships and collaboration
- Why Glasgow has signed up

Cllr Allan Casey, City Convener for Workforce and Homelessness and Addiction Services, Glasgow City Council

Enfields Somewhere Safe Hub

- Funding the hub with a capital grant and RSAP
- Using in-house building maintenance team to transform a council owned building
- Creating a suitable pathway for rough sleepers

Jodie Rudgley, Rapid Assessment and Resettlement Team Manager, Enfield Council

Audience question and answer session

13:15 Seminar Close

Seminar Objectives

About the Seminar

We are currently in a housing and homelessness crisis in the UK. With the demand for affordable secure homes far outstripping the supply, resulting in local authorities across the UK supporting a record number of people to prevent them coming homeless, or when they present as homeless.

This online seminar will bring together a variety of expert speakers who will share their knowledge and experience of the approaches local authorities are taking to tackle the crisis and support people in their communities.

Who should attend?

- Chief executives
- Elected members
- Service directors
- Housing and homelessness professionals
- Policy officers
- Trade union representatives
- Homelessness consultants
- Academic researchers

Via Microsoft Teams



Booking information

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