



Social Care Future On-Line Festival

Towards a Brighter Future

November 4th-6th 2020

We all want to live in the place we call home with the people and things that we love, in communities where we look out for one another, doing things that matter to us.

Take a look at what is happening at the Social Care Future On-line Festival, here you will find the list of all of the sessions that are taking place over the 3 days.

JOINING IN—PAY IF YOU CAN

The programme will all be on-line using Zoom, There is no formal charge but if you are able to make a contribution to help cover costs (co-production, administration, technical elements), or provide some sponsorship that would be very helpful. We suggest £50 per place if possible. If organisations are able to offer a donation—say £200 that would be great. Access the booking form [HERE](#)

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Wednesday 4th November 2020

11.00am—12.00pm - Welcome and all about the festival

Featuring.... **MIXIT!**

12.30pm—1.30pm - From a vision to a better future

This session, part of the National Children's and Adults Social Care Conference, brings together Social Care Future (SCF) with The Local Government Association, (LGA) Association of Directors of Adult Social Care (ADASS), Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) and Think Local Act Personal (TLAP). We will explore our vision, our work to change the conversation with the public and our inquiry to put people's voices at the centre of reform – and link these to the thinking and plans of social care system leaders. We will then consider what can be learned from elsewhere about the potential for movements and campaigns to ignite major change – in particular "Every Australian Counts".

Including Anna Severwright and Neil Crowther for Social Care Future and Stephen Chandler for ADASS

1.30pm— 2.15pm - Lunch and chat

2.00pm—3.00pm - Back to the future - the contribution of social work to a better social care future

This debate brings together senior social work leaders, to explore how social work can help deliver the social care future vision. This will include glimpses of that future in current social work, consideration of the system and cultural challenges and proposals for action.

Including the Chief Social Workers for England and newer members of the profession including Kayleigh Rose Evans

Wednesday 4th November 2020... continued

2.30pm—3.30pm - A new relationship with communities -

Learning from mutual aid

Mutual aid in many places has risen to the local challenge of COVID 19. Experience has varied in different places and clearly the relationship with local public services has been key. This debate is about what we have learnt from mutual aid and its potential part in the social care future. It will include Professor Donna Hall, Chair of the New Local Government Network, Warren Heppolette, Lead for Strategy and System Development Greater Manchester Health and Social Care Partnership, Eve Holt, Manchester Councillor and local community activist, Zoe Porter, co-ordinator of mutual aid in Marple.

Including Professor Donna Hall, Warren Heppolette, Cllr Eve Holt, Stuart Cowley and Zoe Porter

3.45pm—4.45pm - From Community Spirit to Community Power

How do you bring a local community together on line to plan action on poverty and inequality, neighbourliness and connections, our power to change, Grapevine brought 155 local people in Coventry together to do just that! In this session hear from the community activists and organisers who did this about the why, what and critically the how.

With Clare Wightman and local people involved in the summit

3.45pm—5.15pm - Valuable not vulnerable -

The power of people leading by experience

Explore the potential and power of coproduction at an individual level. Hear how people are using their strengths and skills to lead or contribute. Understand the help they might need to lead and hear from some of the organisations offering that help. 3 rooms, 8 stories, loads to learn

With Angela Catley from Community Catalysts and many showing what can be done

5.00pm—5.30pm - Reflections and close for the day

Thursday 5th November

9.00am—9.30am - Welcome back—plan for today

9.45am—11.45am - Business as usual and unusual - the role for not for profit support providers

Not for profit social care providers have been around for a long time. Some of them have grown quite large and have national presence. What contribution can this type of organisation make towards the social care future vision? In this session a number of national providers who are part of the Voluntary Organisations Disabilities Group will share their joint exploration of this question in practice through action in the communities they serve and invite a debate about what such providers could do individually and together.

Including Huw John, Sarah Burslem, Sarah McGuire, Aisling Duffy, Tim Cooper and people from local areas

9.45am—11.45am - Communities, social care and local economies: Bringing conversations together for greater impact

For our vision to be realised we will have to reach out beyond social care to those focussed on civil society and inclusive local economies. This session will share thinking and ideas to date and invite contributions and proposals for action. People attending the session will:

- Gain a good understanding of the very different and separate conversations in train for communities, social care and local economies.
- Have had an opportunity to reflect on the possible connections and complementary impact of emerging strategies.
- Have begun to think about the new insights that can be gained from the interaction of these different conversations and action we might take.

Including Clenton Farquharson, Susie Finlayson, Sian Lockwood and colleagues.

Thursday 5th November... continued

12.00pm—1.00pm - Communities where we look out for one another

COVID has powerfully confirmed how important connections between people and others in their community are. This interactive session with Nick Sinclair and Cath Barton from Local Area Coordination and Community Circles shares and explores some of the more promising approaches and developments that support connections and invites you to help explore barriers and opportunities to grow more of this activity.

With Nick Sinclair and Cath Barton

12.00pm—1.00pm - An Equal Social Care Future

COVID has laid bare race inequalities in social care as well as wider society. If a better social care future is to include everyone equally and deal with inequalities for those working in it, what are the issues we need to attend to, are there any glimpses of good actions out there? What can we all do, including ensuring diversity in our movement? This session will be led by Clenton Farquharson, chair of Think Local Act Personal. Building on Black History Month, the session will focus in particular on race equality. It will be a debate with partners across health and social care with colleagues from the Coalition for Personalised Care. Clenton has suggested four key power areas that we need to talk about and take action on: power over resources, decision making, relationships and information.

Including Clenton Farquharson, Ian McCreath and colleagues

12.00pm—1.00pm - The Future of Direct Payments

This session will share the work of the national Direct Payments group, include interviews with directors and direct payments users about examples of and conditions for good practice, debate barriers and enablers for taking practice into next phase of COVID and beyond and build ideas for the movement to support progress.

Including Julie Stansfield, Martin Walker, Pat Stack, Isaac Samuels, Sally Percival, Denise Radley and Wendy Lowder

1.15pm— 1.45pm - Lunch and chat

Thursday 5th November... continued

2.00pm—4.00pm - What about the workers

Quite rightly there have been many calls for a better deal for people who work in social care – this must be a vital element of a better social care future. As well as pay and conditions there are many other important issues and questions relevant to a “workforce” that can help deliver the social care future vision. What kind of “workers” are needed, to what extent should they be professionalised and regulated? What about recruitment, management, types of employment? In this debate we will hear contributions from Skills for Care, employers, people using personal assistants or micro businesses and the PAs themselves.

Including Andy Tilden and Tricia Nicoll

2.00pm—3.00pm - Engage Britain

Can people be put at the heart of policy making in social care and health? That is the challenge that a new organisation, Engage Britain, is taking on. They will bring people together across the country to generate ideas that will create positive change. These ideas will then be tested, discussed and re-tested, until everyone is confident they will make a difference and lead to practical and radical answers that are politically sustainable. This session will share their plans and tell people how they can get involved.

With Engage Britain and the Social Care Future Inquiry Group

2.00pm—3.00pm - ‘Hidden’ - Richard’s Lockdown Story

‘Hidden’ is a programme that encourages people to walk in another person’s shoes using their own homes/lives as a theatrical backdrop. Co-created by Made By Mortals and community participants from The Johnny Barlow Theatre Company, delegates will listen to an immersive audio experience and then take part in an interactive online workshop exploring the themes in the piece- (self neglect, financial exploitation, disengagement with services). The workshop will be co-delivered by people with lived experience (MH/LD) and ask how can we (community, family, services) help? This ongoing programme uses creativity and community participation to inform person-centred approaches to safeguarding and care across GM and ultimately to prevent people from ‘falling through the net’

With Made by Mortals

Thursday 5th November... continued

3.15pm—4.15pm - Promoting Independence - Part of the solution for a better and more sustainable social care?

John Bolton will take questions on the work he has been doing to show that most people who approach social care for help should first be given the opportunity for a period of recovery, rehabilitation or recuperation before a long term package is offered. He suggests that this is the best help for many people especially older people leaving hospital but including others as well. Sometimes the right short-term help can go a long way to help people regain levels of independence that they want.

With Professor John Bolton

4.15pm—5.15pm - Building a movement

Social Care Future wants to build a movement for big change. But what makes a movement and what ingredients are needed? This session is with people with a lot of experience in building movements and campaigns in Britain and across the world. Kat Sladden and Paul De Gregorio will offer an introductory session, including the fundamentals of movement building and some concrete examples and answer questions from those interested in growing our movement.

With Kat Sladden and Paul De Gregorio

5.30pm - 5.45 Reflections from the day

7.00pm - Join us for an evening social!

Friday 6th November

9.00am—9.15am - Welcome back—plan for today

9.30am—11.30am - Shifting the power

Knowledge + Money = POWER

Do you agree with this? This session explores current power dynamics as well as ones we need to consider or change to get to our Social Care Future vision. We will explore powers for good and evil and seek to find the super powers that will help create a better future.

With Julie Stansfield, Miro Griffiths and Tricia Nicoll

9.30am—10.30am - Talking about a brighter future

What are we finding out about the way people think and feel about social care now and how we might use a different story to build support for the social care future we're trying to bring about? Come along and hear from the team working on this project, including Neil Crowther from #socialcarefuture, Kathryn Quinton from Equally Ours and Jane Carn from Survation. They'll share the findings of innovative public audience research carried out in August and October 2020 and involve you in the thinking about next steps.

With Neil Crowther, Kathryn Quinton and Jane Carn

10.45am—11.45am - Housing and support for older people

Our vision says we all want to live in the place we call home. COVID has massively amplified questions about the balance of options for housing with support. The Social Care Institute for Excellence has announced a commission on housing in the future of care and support. ADASS has recently declared housing to be central to care and living well. But what do older people want and what are the big issues for providers and commissioners? This debate is intended to kick off a Social Care Future contribution to these questions.

With Vic Raynor, Alex Fox, Peter Hay, Paul Marshall and Nick Sedgwick

Friday 6th November... continued

12.00pm—1.00pm - Dementia—Life changing not life ending

How does the Social Care Futures vision work for those of us (850,000 +) who are living with dementia? Can we really expect to stay living in the place we call home? What will our communities actually need to be able to look out for us – and can we still be part of looking out for others? And is it realistic to think we can continue to do the things that matter to us? Dr Wendy Mitchell, Keith Oliver and Chris Maddocks (all living with dementia) will discuss these questions, and more, with facilitation from Philly Hare (Co-Director of Innovations in Dementia) This will be followed by a Q and A session, and will finish with Ian McCreath leading on “what next – how can we make it happen.”

With Philly Hare, Dr Wendy Mitchell, Keith Oliver, Chris Maddocks and Ian McCreath

12.00pm—1.00pm - Commissioning for a better future

Commissioning has come under strong challenge in social care as many point to lack of significant change in models and forms of support over decades. The Social Care Innovation Network brought together progressive commissioners, people who use social care and innovative providers to explore what might change to shift towards the social care future vision. An outcome of this was “Commissioning for the Future A Starter for Ten” This session will include Alex Fox, Shared Lives Plus, Kate Sibthorpe, National Co-production Advisory Group, Ewan King, SCIE, Tim Baverstock, Somerset Council and members of the National Development Team for inclusion. It will explore what shifts could be made, with practical examples of action, consider the steps that people can start to take and invite people to work together to build big change.

Including Martin Routledge, Kate Sibthorpe, Tim Baverstock, Ewan King and Alex Fox

1.15pm— 1.45pm - Lunch and chat

Friday 6th November... continued

2.00pm—4.00pm - Whose Social Care Future is it anyway?

The Social Care Future Inquiry

What does the Social Care Future vision look like in practice and how do we make it happen? We have launched an inquiry to guide the strategy of our movement and model the leadership of people with lived experience. In this session members of the inquiry group will talk about what the inquiry is doing, why and how and invite contributions. This session will be divided into two parts. Part one is open to all and share how the inquiry is being set up and how people can contribute. Part two will enable people who use social care to have direct input into the inquiry.

With Anna Severwright and the Social Care Future Inquiry group

4.00pm— 4.30pm - Reflections, Actions and Close

