



The power to improve your neighbourhoods

## Communities of Interest: Community Empowerment community of practice launch day

The Gujarat Centre, South Meadow Lane, Preston, PR1 8JN

Friday 22 January 2010

09:30 – 13:00 (followed by a networking lunch)

Free places filled on a first come first served basis email [info@neighbourhoods-nw.co.uk](mailto:info@neighbourhoods-nw.co.uk) or go to [www.neighbourhoods-nw.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoods-nw.co.uk)

09:30	Arrivals, registration and refreshments
09:40	Introduction and overview
09:45	Circle Calling – how can we learn together to improve and spread empowerment practice?
10:00	Appreciative Inquiry in pairs – describe and reflect on situations which have provided you with good learning experiences about empowerment
10:45	Group feedback and discussion
11:00	Refreshments
11:15	Collective Mindmapping – what knowledge, skills and experience are available in the room and in the region
12:00	Creative Learning – how will we apply the learning over the next few months?
12:30	Agreeing priorities – planning the next steps
12:50	Reflect and Evaluate – closing remarks
13:00	Networking Lunch

This is a free event aimed at practitioners, managers and policy makers interested in improving their understanding and practice relating to community empowerment and the Duty to Involve.

This series of communities of interest is developed by Alison Gilchrist, a national community development consultant who has over 25 years experience in the field of community development and has recently published *'The well-connected community: a networking approach community development'*

The Community Empowerment Communities of Interest have been developed in association with the regional empowerment partnership, North West Together We Can

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