



The UKPB Un-Conference

26th October 2015 at the Studio, Cannon Street Birmingham

Innovate, Develop and Build rooms, 3rd floor and Achieve and Bond rooms on the 4th

Agenda (as of 20th October 2015)

9.30	Registration opens
10.00-10.30	Screening of a selection of short films from PB processes around the world
10.30	Welcome and opening remarks of the PB network national conference. <i>Susan Ritchie of the PB Network will welcome delegates and give an overview of the PB networks work since our last National gathering in London. It's been an exciting time, and the PB network has grown to meet those challenges.</i>
10.40	Keynote 1: The International Dimension of PB. <i>Giovanni Allegretti, University of Coimbra, Portugal</i> <i>Giovanni, leading international PB expert will be speaking about the recent developments in large scale citizen participation in France, the USA, and across the world.</i>
11.00	Keynote 2: The National level: Citizen Empowerment in Scotland. <i>In 2015 the Community Empowerment Bill (Scotland) opened the door to new experiences of participatory budgeting. This session includes a pre-recorded video address by Alex Neil MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Communities and Pensioners' Rights and from Kathleen Glazik, policy officer from the Scottish Government we will hear in person how PB is now taking off from the Shetland Isles to the cities of Edinburgh and Glasgow.</i>
11.15	PBPartners: Supporting PB in Neighbourhoods and Communities. <i>Alan Budge will give a brief overview of the role PB Partners has played in supporting the development of PB in the UK, from the grassroots up.</i>
11.30	Building our learning: Concurrent workshops aimed at exploring best practice and developing new approaches
	a) Digital engagement and PB: Results of an audit of international best practise. <i>Alistair Stoddart of DemSoc will give attendees a practical overview of the best ways to engage citizens online, looking at a range of successful digital democracy tools and providers.</i> <i>Hosted by Amanda Murrell</i>
	b) New models of Policing: Rebuild trust between residents and the police. <i>In 2014/15 Greater Manchester and Durham Police began a learning and engagement programme around PB, tackling crime through community engagement. It wasn't without its challenges but this workshop will show how trying a new approach to policing works. Speakers expected to include Darren Walton, Seaham and Easington Neighbourhood Inspector.</i> <i>Hosted by Andrew Fisher.</i>
	c) Scotland: Let a thousand flowers bloom. <i>Following up on the morning keynote on the new PBs in Scotland supporting local empowerment this workshop will explore the "What, where, how and why". Led by representatives actively involved in the 20 Scottish local authorities that are exploring a deeper devolution of powers. Speakers TBC,</i>

	<i>Hosted by Alan Budge</i>
	<p>d) Health and Wellbeing: Creating the Well society. <i>Caroline Latta, Senior communications and engagement locality manager, North of England NHS Commissioning Support Unit will reflect on how PB can be a tool for long term social well-being. Taking an asset based and people centred approach to commissioning public health services, based on learning in the North East of England ..</i> <i>Hosted by Susan Ritchie.</i></p>
	<p>e) PB and localism: The next 5 years. <i>Paul Twivy, of Core-Purpose, expert on localism and community rights and champion of community based solutions will present a workshop looking at how we can stimulate innovation in localism. Exploring how councils of all sizes are coping with austerity and are seeking new ways to deliver services through co-production.</i> <i>Hosted by Leslie Silverlock</i></p>
12.30	<p>Debate: PB2020 : A new landscape for participatory democracy. <i>Led by Sue Ritchie this plenary session will draw out the key messages and learning from the morning session and set the framework for the afternoon 'Un-conference'</i></p>
12.50	<p>Lunch (including a screening PB short films from around the world)</p>
1.30	<p>Keynote 3: Revitalising citizen participation. <i>Graham Smith, Centre for the Study of Democracy, University of Westminster speaking on innovations in citizen voice. Building on his and his researchers experience Graham will introduce the bigger picture, setting the framework and opening the dialogues for the afternoon PB Un-Conference</i></p>
1.45	<p>The PB Un-Conference: Un-Conference pitches 'What would it take' conversations around key themes emerging from the plenary, workshops and elsewhere... <i>Hosted by Susan Ritchie</i></p>
2.00	<p>The Un-Conference round 1: <i>Using an open space format and models of community learning groups the PB Un-conference present delegates with an opportunity to network, exchange ideas and develop new ways of working. A fast paced open space where you set the agenda. Facilitated by experts in the field of community empowerment the UnConference aims to capture the best ideas.</i></p>
3.00	<p>Check-in and Un-Conference round 2: <i>Following a brief check in the conversations will continue. Open space relies on the law of two feet. If you want to move, Move. If you want to speak, Speak... It's up to you to make change happen.</i></p>
4.00	<p>Feedback from the Un-Conference <i>A final opportunity to reflect on the learning from the day and make commitments to support the future growth of participatory democracy</i> <i>Hosted by Jez Hall</i></p>
4.15-4.30	<p>Close of the conference</p>