

A young child with short brown hair, wearing a light pink sleeveless dress, is watering a field of purple and white flowers. The child is holding a bright green watering can. The background is a clear blue sky and a green hillside. The overall scene is bright and sunny, suggesting a pleasant day outdoors.

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Creating Excellence helps the people of the South West to acquire the knowledge and skills needed to ensure better regeneration and the growth of sustainable communities in the region.

You and up to 200 colleagues will be able to share your experiences, insights, and expertise at our energising regional conference.

**If you are concerned about how the twin pressures of sustainable development and growth affect:**

- Regeneration
- Planning
- Existing communities
- Expanding communities
- Infrastructure (roads, community development)
- Health
- Jobs
- Education, learning, and skills
- New Local Area Agreements
- Multi-area Agreements

Then this conference is for you!

In addition to this the conference will provide essential updates on national and regional policy impacting on sustainable communities.

It will showcase activity from all areas of Creating Excellence's work, enabling professionals to learn from each other whilst bringing them bang up-to-date with the latest developments.

**Who should attend?**

- People working in community regeneration projects and programmes
  - Community activists and leaders
  - Developers
  - Elected members
  - Policy officers from the public and voluntary sector
  - Community development workers
  - Economic development officers
  - Housing managers
  - Architects
- ...and you!

On the evening before the conference we will be holding our inaugural awards dinner to announce the winners of the REWARDS, our regeneration and sustainable communities awards. The REWARDS will be presented by Jack Russell, the well-known inspirational and motivational speaker, who will also give the after dinner speech.



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## programme

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| <b>From 09.15</b>      | Registration   |
| <b>10.00</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Plenary session</li><li>● Introduction to day from Prof. Colin Fudge, Chair Creating Excellence, Pro-Vice Chancellor, University of the West of England (UWE)</li></ul>  |
| <b>10.10</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 'News at Ten' - key facts about the region</li><li>● Matthew Taylor, Chief Executive of the Royal Society of Arts</li></ul>  |
| <b>10.40</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 'Sustainable communities, from individual to community'</li><li>● Questions</li></ul>  |
| <b>11.00</b>           | Coffee, exhibitions, networking etc  |
| <b>11.30</b> choice of | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Future scenario planning Part 1 (1.5 hours until lunch)</li><li>● Masterclass - Eco Towns - Prof. David Lock, Chair of the Town and Country Planning Association</li><li>● Masterclass - Skills shortages, Academy of Sustainable Communities' research</li><li>● Workshop - Engaging young people in planning communities, featuring Young Advisers and members of the Youth Parliament</li><li>● Visit to project in Bristol (visit leaves at 11.15)</li></ul>   |
| <b>12.15</b> choice of | <p>Continuation of Future scenario planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Masterclass - Prof. Marilyn Taylor, UWE, Changing Neighbourhoods Report, National Empowerment Partnership and Empowering Communities representatives</li><li>● Workshop - Modelling urban extensions, Hugh Barton, UWE, Solutions Research, Cambridge</li><li>● Virtual visit to sustainable community project in Blisland, Cornwall</li></ul>   |
| <b>13.00</b>           | LUNCH  |
| <b>14.00</b> choice of | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Plenary session</li><li>● Chris Brown, Igloo Regeneration</li><li>● New Economics Foundation (TBC) - sustainable growth, issues for our economy</li><li>● Questions</li><li>● Visit to Bristol Alliance, Broadmead. With less than 12 months to go until the opening of Cabot Circus, find out more about this crucial development in Bristol's retail landscape (leaves at 13.45)</li></ul>   |
| <b>15.00</b> choice of | <p>Continuation of Future scenario planning - final part</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Masterclass - Community, enterprise and individual innovation in response to climate change</li><li>● Masterclass - Regional accountability - Jane Henderson, Chief Executive, South West Regional Development Agency</li><li>● Leadership debate, Leadership skills have never been in more demand, how can we do better? John Bull (TBC).</li><li>● Masterclass - MJ Long, Vice-Chair of the South West Design Review Panel looks at learning points for developments in the region</li></ul> |
| <b>16.00</b>           | <p>Final session - Round-up of day and moving forward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Prof. Peter Roberts, Chair of the Academy for Sustainable Communities and Prof. Colin Fudge, Chair of Creating Excellence</li></ul>  |

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# Booking form

To attend this conference and/or the REWARDS dinner please complete the form below and either:

Email to [conference2007@creatingexcellence.org.uk](mailto:conference2007@creatingexcellence.org.uk) or fax to 01823 330840

We are sorry but we cannot accept bookings by telephone.

1. I would like to book (number) place(s) at 'growing a sustainable region?' at £145 per place.

**And/Or**

2. I would like to book (number) place(s) at £175 per place at 'growing a sustainable region?' to include attendance at the REWARDS dinner on 5 December, Thistle hotel, Bristol.

The first 20 conference bookings received will benefit from an **'early-bird' discount** of 15% to £123 for the conference, or £148 for the conference and REWARDS dinner.

3. I would like to book (number) places(s) at £30 per place at the REWARDS dinner on 5 December at the Thistle hotel, Bristol (no discount is available on these tickets)

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Name(s):

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Organisation:

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Address (for invoicing purposes):

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E-mail:

Tel:

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Vegetarian food will be available. Please let us know here if you have any other dietary or access needs:

You will be asked via email for your choices of conference sessions during November.

Full joining instructions and the final confirmed programme will be emailed to you in the week before the event.

An invoice for your place(s) will be sent in the week following the event.

**Please note:** due to the limited number of places available cancellations made less than 10 working days before the event will be charged at full price, cancellations made between 11-20 working days before the event will be charged at half price.

**We have a Participation Fund to assist people/organisations who want to attend our events but who may not be able to meet the full cost. For details go to the Learning page of our web site, [www.creatingexcellence.org.uk](http://www.creatingexcellence.org.uk).**

If you have any queries about the conference please e-mail [conference2007@creatingexcellence.org.uk](mailto:conference2007@creatingexcellence.org.uk)

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