

CYNHADLEDD BLYNYDDOL TAI PAWB

MORE IN COMMON

TAI PAWB ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Tuesday 28 March 2023 | City Hall, Cardiff

- 0900** **Registration & Networking**
- 0945** **Welcome to conference**
Alicja Zalesinska, CEO Tai Pawb; Helen White, CEO Taff Housing and conference chair
- 1000** **From the margins to the centre - supporting vulnerably-housed people**
Mark Seymour & Sarah Croft, The Gap; Trudy Aspinwall, Travelling Ahead
- 1045** **Ministerial Address**
Jane Hutt MS, Minister for Social Justice (joining digitally)
- 1055** **KEYNOTE: Embedding human rights in housing**
Jamie Burton KC, Doughty Street Chambers & Co-founder, Just Fair
- 1135** **BREAK**
- 1145** **Choice of three workshops**
1. 'Safety in common' with Oliver Townsend, **Platfform**
2. 'Breaking down the barriers' with the **Disability Advice Project & Tai Pawb**
3. 'Together to beat poverty and inequality' with **Clwyd Alyn & the Bevan Foundation**
- 1230** **LUNCH**
- 1320** **Panel: Rising to the challenge through QED**
Paula Kennedy, CEO Melin Homes; Luke Takeuchi, CEO RHA; Oonagh Lyons, Director of Housing at Newydd. Hosted by tenant & board member, Fran Bevan
- 1405** **In conversation with Professor Laura McAllister**
Hosted by Commonwealth and Olympics medallist Mica Moore
- 1450** **BREAK**
- 1500** **Choice of three workshops - repeated from earlier session**
- 1540** **Building an anti-racist Wales**
Simon Lu, Tai Pawb & TBC
- 1615** **Closing remarks**
Alicja Zalesinska & Helen White



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WORKSHOP DETAILS & SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Safety in common - Oliver Townsend, Platfform

In order to thrive, we need to feel safe. At Platfform, the work done internally with colleagues and externally in the support that is offered strives to create that sense of security. In this workshop, Oliver will explore the understanding of mental health and how that changes the way we should be working alongside people, both within and outside organisations. It will also consider how this intersects with equality and diversity in a practical way.

Breaking down the barriers - Disability Advice Project & Tai Pawb

Wales is experiencing a disability housing crisis - the supply of accessible homes doesn't meet demand and as a result, disabled people face additional barriers to accessing suitable accommodation, wherever they are in the 'system'. With a growing older population, the housing sector needs to respond to enable people to live independent lives in the safety of their own homes - and early, regular engagement is crucial. Join the conversation at this workshop.

Together to beat poverty - the Bevan Foundation & Clwyd Alyn

The cost of living crisis is having a huge impact across Wales. The latest evidence suggests more children are slipping into poverty. We know that poverty and inequality are inextricably linked and that some groups of people are at a greater disadvantage according to protected characteristics. At this workshop, the Bevan Foundation will be teaming up with Clwyd Alyn to take a temperature-check on the latest evidence from across Wales - exploring solutions from both a strategic and practical, on-the-ground perspective. Do we have all the levers we need to beat poverty? We mightn't: but we can collaborate to support individuals and local communities. Be part of the discussion on what more we can do.

JAMIE BURTON KC: is both a public lawyer and an experienced civil litigator at Doughty Street Chambers, with particular expertise in human rights, discrimination and social welfare. Jamie is a member of the Equality and Human Rights Commission's 'A Panel' of counsel and is regularly instructed by charities and NGOs. He also advises public authorities at the level of policy in relation to their statutory and human rights obligations. He is instructed by companies in commercial judicial review and public procurement claims.



He acts for families in inquests and represented residents affected by the fire at the Grenfell Tower Public Inquiry. He is instructed by the main charities representing disabled people in the Covid Inquiry. Jamie is also Chair and co-founder of 'Just Fair', a registered charity that works exclusively on human rights issues, particularly economic, social and cultural rights. Just Fair has had a significant impact on the public debate on human rights in the UK. It has produced several landmark reports on the housing crisis, food poverty and disability rights. Jamie represents Just Fair at the UN and in 2016 he made submissions to the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights about the UK's compliance with its human rights obligations.



PROF. LAURA MCALLISTER: A well-known voice in Welsh civil society, Prof McAllister teaches at the Wales Governance Centre, having focused on research in Welsh politics, elections, devolution, electoral reform and gender in politics. She is a former international footballer, having captained Wales and earned 24 caps. Currently co-chair of the Independent Commission on the Constitutional Future of Wales, Prof. McAllister has worked extensively with Welsh Government on various projects to improve access to and engagement with democracy in Wales.

She holds several senior roles in sports governance and is currently Board Director at the Football Association of Wales Trust and Deputy Chair of UEFA's Women's Football Committee. Last week, Prof McAllister broke barriers as she was unopposed in her bid to sit on UEFA's executive committee, the first ever Welsh representative and first woman from a football background,