

Local Governance, Higher Performance

North West local governance community of interest Launch conference

Manchester Central (www.manchestercentral.co.uk)
15 November 2007

Programme

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| 1.00 | Buffet lunch and registration | 2.30 | Facilitated working groups to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The initial challenges facing us• Emerging good practice in response• How this community could really help |
| 1.30 | Welcome and scene setting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joyce Redfearn: The importance of the community• Dennis Reed: The process for today and afterwards | 3.30 | Coffee |
| 1.45 | Regional perspectives on the North West's challenges: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• LAAs: Jon Parkin, Government Office North West• CAA: Tim Watkinson, Audit Commission• External scrutiny: Howard Boots, Convener of NWE0 Scrutiny Network | 3.45 | Feedback from working groups |
| | | 4.00 | Panel discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jessica Crowe, Executive Director, Centre for Public Scrutiny• Ed Cox, Director of Policy and Public Affairs, LGIU• Dr. Dick Sorabji, Deputy Director, NLGN• Professor Peter John, Director, IPEG |
| | | 4.45 | Round-up and next steps |
| | | 5.00 | Close and Christmas Market |

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