



APSE Northern Region Event: Building Resilient Communities

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A free event for APSE Northern members

Tuesday 16 December 2025

Programme

09.30: Welcome by the Chair

Cllr Tracey Dixon, Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council

A landscape of need: mapping community resilience in England.

- Measuring community resilience
- Targeting communities that need the most support
- How is resilience in your local area?

Dr Luke Munford, Senior Lecturer in Health Economics at The University of Manchester

Malandry Community Archaeology Dig

- The Local Landscapes & Hidden Histories project
- Bringing together stakeholders
- Capturing the public imagination and enabling the community to volunteer and come together

Caroline Bird, Community Services Manager (Programme), City of Lincoln Council

Homes for Hedgehogs: Building Brighter Futures Together

- Creating fair opportunities for all
- Community, capability, and collaboration.
- Not just building homes for hedgehogs—building bridges between people and nature.

David Calland, Apprentice Co-ordinator, Wigan Council

Newcastle's Climate Change Forum

- Leading the way in collective climate action
- Informing and empowering our local community groups, residents, charities and businesses
- The comprehensive actions to ensure that Newcastle's youth voice at the heart of climate strategy and urban green vision.

David Trousdale, Principal Advisor – Climate Change, Newcastle City Council – Winner of Green Cities Initiative award for youth engagement by the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations

Tackling economic inactivity

- Barnsley's ambition and the Pathways to work programme
- Developing resources
- What has been achieved

Laure Renault, Pathways to Work Projects and Contracts Manager, Barnsley Metropolitan Council

APSE Update

Vickie Hacking, Principal Advisor, APSE

11:30 Seminar close

About the seminar

Local authorities play a key role in building community resilience by strengthening a community's ability to prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies. This is achieved by developing social connections, sharing information, and planning collaboratively. Key strategies need to be adopted including building trust, making information accessible, encouraging participation in local activities, and using local knowledge and resources to plan and act.

This APSE Northern Event is **free** to attend for APSE Northern region members and brings together a range of expert speakers who will demonstrate how community resilience can be measured, and the presentations will showcase projects and approaches that councils are adopting to build resilient in the community.

How do I book?

Use this link to book your place online

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What does it cost to attend

This event is **FREE** to attend for APSE Northern members.

APSE Members from other regions: £99+ VAT

APSE non-members £179+ Vat