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## Working on Estates – project launch and seminar

**Working on estates: international perspectives, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2012**  
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

As the first step of the Federation's Working on Estates project, we are pleased to announce that we will be hosting the first event in our 2012-13 professional development seminar series on the 7<sup>th</sup> November. To launch our Working on Estates project we will be hearing perspectives from Scotland and England on approaches to estate working to maximise opportunities for community building, effective housing management and social inclusion.

The Working on Estates seminar will be a highly practical workshop which will follow a series of case studies and tools to take us beyond the theoretical framework.

Some of the key themes explored in this seminar will include:

- What's different about working on estates? What are the challenges and opportunities?
- Practical approaches that have worked in Scotland and England, including Estate Agreements, local Compacts, and Neighbourhood Management
- Local lettings agreements, crime reduction and approaches to reducing Anti-Social Behaviour.
- Tailored responses to local circumstances that could be adopted by NSW community housing providers

### The Scottish experience

Facilitated by Craig Sanderson, Chief Executive of [Link Group](#) in Scotland, Craig will bring first-hand experience of Link's successes and from broader approaches adopted by the [Scottish Urban Regeneration Forum](#).

### Biography

Craig has been Chief Executive of Link Group since 1987, having joined Link in 1975. He is a board member of Social Enterprise Scotland and a former board member of the Scottish Federation of Housing Associations and the Scottish Council for Single Homeless.

Link is a group of 6 Scottish social enterprises, charitable registered social landlords and voluntary organisations, operating in 26 of Scotland's local authority areas - owning and managing 7000 homes affordable to people on low or fixed incomes and providing services to 4500 other customers (service users, owner-occupiers, etc.).



**The Priority Estates Project approach: community focused housing management**

### techniques

The Federation's Adam West, formerly a Priority Estates Project (PEP) Consultant, will describe PEP's tried and tested approach to working on estates in England and the tools and techniques used, including:

- Estate Agreements,
- Neighbourhood Management and
- Estate Management Boards.
- Local tenant participation compacts

### Cost and time

7<sup>th</sup> November, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Cost: \$125 including GST

Venue: Central Sydney, TBA

Please complete the attached registration form to reserve your place.

For further details, please email [Adam West](#) or phone 9281 7144 ext 211

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## More about the Working on Estates project

The Working on Estates project will be a major research and good practice initiative to be undertaken by the Federation this financial year. We will:

- Research and collect best practice on estate working from NSW, interstate and internationally
- Develop and present an online toolkit which will include a series of best practice case studies, 'how to' guides on different techniques and approaches, and the results of our research.
- Hold two seminars on this important topic– on the 7<sup>th</sup> November and as part of the community housing conference in March 2013.

We are inviting expressions of interest from practioners to join us on a steering group to provide input from the sector and to oversee the project. If you are interested, please contact [Adam West](#) or phone 9281 7144 ext 211

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