‘Making it Real’

**Thursday 19 June**

7.00pm onwards – **Drinks and dinner (Holiday Inn)**

* *Setting the scene for Britain's Ocean City “Making it Real” event and after dinner speech from Dame Pauline Green DBE.*

**Friday 20 June**

9.00 – 10.30am - **Co-operative Council in the Community**

* *Plymouth has a proud history within the co-operative movement; our bus tour links those historical traditions with a working sustainable model for our most economically challenged communities in our city.*

10.30 – 10.45am - **Welcome and Introduction**

* *Presented by the conference hosts; Plymouth's Leader and Vice-Chair of CCIN Tudor Evans and Tracey Lee, Chief Executive of Plymouth City Council.*

10.45 – 11.30am - **CCIN Business Meeting**

* *Councillor Penberthy, Chair of the Values and Principals Board to chair.*

**WORKSHOPS -** Attendees will have the opportunity to attend three out of the four workshop sessions which will run simultaneously. The workshop themes include;

* *Co-operative Energy*
* *Co-operative Economies*
* *Co-operative approaches to Pay Day Lending and Financial Inclusion*
* *Co-operative Education*

11.30 – 12.30pm  **- Workshop Session 1**

12.30 – 1.30pm **- Lunch and networking**

1.30 – 2.30pm  **- Workshop Session 2**

2.30 – 3.30pm **- Workshop Session 3**

3.30pm **- Summary and refreshments**

4.00pm **- Close**

**WORKSHOP OUTLINE**

The concept behind the ‘Making it Real’ event is to demonstrate how Councils have taken co-operative principles and created new models that are starting to deliver improved outcomes on the ground.

We have chosen four challenging themes to explore how Plymouth and our CCiN colleagues have worked with their communities to develop solutions. Each workshop will present a number of case studies to give a brief overview of different approaches which will be followed by workshop discussion led by a Plymouth Cabinet Member.

**Workshop themes include:**

**1. Co-operative Energy:** Plymouth and Oldham will present two different case studies on innovative energy solutions. Plymouth will talk about the development of the Plymouth Energy Trust.

**2. Co-operative Economies**: Plymouth and York will present case studies on their approach to creating the environment for a co-operative economy. Plymouth will specifically focus on how it created the economic strategy using core co-operative principals.

**3. Co-operative approaches to pay day lending and financial inclusion:** Plymouth will be joined by Glasgow and Islington to present their case studies. Plymouth will talk about the decision to become one of first cities to ban pay day lending along with its unique approach to financial inclusion in the city.

**4. Co-operative learning approaches:** This workshop will be led by the Co-operative Academy. It will discuss the skills and learning that will be required to deliver the co-operative agenda in our schools.

The aims of the workshops will be to discuss and challenge the success of these innovations, examine the broader strategic and policy developments that will allow/restrict these areas to develop further and to encourage and nurture collaborations across the network around the broader co-operative agenda.