

RCE SEVERN FORUM 2018 Local Action for the Global Goals



THE GLOBAL GOALS
For Sustainable Development



» **Tuesday 17th July 1:00-4:00pm**

**TC 002A, Francis Close Hall Campus,
Cheltenham**

Can we improve sustainability in our regions by 2050?

The challenges that face the RCE Severn region in the next few decades also bring opportunities to advance on sustainability.

This RCE Forum event aims to bring people together to discuss ways to collaborate for change across our communities, with key speakers offering soundings on some of the issues at stake, links to the UN Sustainable Development Goals, and ways we can collaborate for change.

» For more information contact Miriam Webb, Sustainability Engagement Manager, mwebb7@glos.ac.uk / **01242 715394**

How sustainable will we be in Gloucestershire by 2050?

These discussions will feed into a submission to the 'Gloucestershire 2050' project, on behalf of RCE Severn.

Gloucestershire 2050 is proposing 6 'big ideas' to tackle problems like an aging population, infrastructure pressures, and a net loss of working age population.

It has the ambition to be a 'sustainable county', but what does this mean in reality and what are the priorities and risks in these proposals?



» Light lunch provided so please **RSVP** to Barbara Rainbow, Sustainability Co-ordinator: brainbow@glos.ac.uk **01242 715395**



PROGRAMME

1:00 Arrivals and sustainable lunch

1:45 Welcome and introductions

Dr Alex Ryan – Director of Sustainability and Director of RCE Severn

Miriam Webb – Sustainability Engagement Manager and RCE Severn Co-ordinator

2:00 Local Action for the Global Goals: Opening Soundings

2:30 Dialogue Space

Drawing on the soundings, we will explore sustainability challenges and unsustainable ideas for our region, as well as priorities for collaborative effort towards sustainable regional development. Themes for discussion might include: demographics, infrastructure, diversity, wellbeing, economy rural-urban issues, education and policy.

4:00 Close



SOUNDINGS



Chris Short

Reader

Countryside and Community Research Institute

Chris will share headlines from a range of collaborative sustainability research and learning projects in Gloucestershire and beyond and report on two recent events on local sustainability challenges and the 2050 vision.

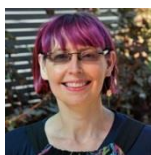


Tom Newman

CEO

University of Gloucestershire Students Union

Having consulted with students about their visions for the future and the prospects for life in Gloucestershire, Tom will share their ideas and point to the sustainability issues that concern them.



Katy Boom

Director of Sustainability

University of Worcester

Katy will draw on her experience of forging collaboration projects with different groups and organisations across Worcester, to offer some examples of how stakeholders can work together for mutual sustainability goals.



Ann Finlayson

CEO

Sustainability and Environmental Education (SEEd)

As former Sustainable Development Commissioner for Education who moved to Gloucestershire, Ann brings an expert lens on learning and change for sustainability, having worked with young people and educators across the UK.



Deborah Potts

CEO

Active Gloucestershire

Deborah joins us to talk about wellbeing issues as part of the wider sustainability agenda, and will share an exciting new initiative called Gloucestershire Moves which aims to improve active lifestyles across the region.