

## **Community Engagement in Practice**

The Devon Towns Forum invites you to a **Community Engagement in Practice Seminar** on  
Thursday **14 JUNE 2007** 10.00am to 3.30pm.

The Seminar will seek to capture and reflect current best practice and demonstrate practical approaches for developing a coherent way forward for everyone involved in connecting communities and making engaged communities a reality.

The event is aimed at all those with an interest in Community Engagement and developing practical and effective solutions for inclusive working, including: Councillors, Members and Officers of Local Strategic Partnerships, County, District, Town and Parish Councils, Community Support Organisations, Market Town and Parish Community Planning Partnerships.

This special one day event will be facilitated by leading Community Planning consultant **Jeff Bishop from BDOR**. Jeff is currently working with the Market and Coastal Towns Association, the South West Acre Network, the Commission for Rural Communities and is supporting Action Research on Community Engagement for the Carnegie UK Trust in West Devon.

The event will reflect work being undertaken in various parts of the County and elsewhere and will include presentations by Jeff Bishop on the **Local Government White Paper and Lessons drawn from Current Good Practice**. The event will also include presentations from The Devon Strategic Partnership on **Devon's Local Area Agreement** and how the **Stronger Communities Agenda** supports Community well being and Community Engagement and introduce you to the **Devon Community Plans Database** and show how it affects and benefits you.

**The event will also offer you a chance to:**

- Share what you are doing
- Hear how others are doing engagement
- Understand who's who, and what already exists to help.
- Get connected and be heard

Places at this key event are limited and attendance will be by confirmed invitation only. Please contact the Devon Towns Forum **now** to reserve your free place.

Venue confirmed when booking. Please contact the Devon Towns Forum now on **01805 624874** or e-mail [info@devontownsforum.org.uk](mailto:info@devontownsforum.org.uk) to make your reservation.

**Please bring this invitation to the attention of your colleagues.**

### Conditions of Booking

Please note the event plus all refreshments and a buffet lunch will be provided completely free to all confirmed attendees. However, to ensure resources are not wasted and opportunities to attend are available to as many people as possible, the Devon Towns Forum reserve the right to make a charge of £50 for non attendance of a confirmed reservation.