



**Housing LIN**

*Connecting people, ideas and resources*

## **Housing LIN Cymru Symposium – 7 November 2018, Newport**

Key points emerging from the roundtable and panel discussions:

### **Designing Healthy Neighbourhoods**

- Collaborations only happen when people leave their egos at the door. This requires a willingness to listen. Humility is fundamental to leadership.
- Different sectors measure outcomes in different ways. Need to be clear about what criteria are used for measuring outcomes.

### **Intergenerational Communities**

- Intergenerational communities are already happening. One new scheme in Bridgend has mixed development including a school.
- From this scheme there is evidence that some residents are already becoming more receptive to their neighbour's support needs.

### **Community Hubs**

- One of the big difficulties that some planners face is the difficulty of designing community hubs for rural communities that cover a large area.
- Master planning is important when planning hubs.

### **Inclusive Communities**

- Times are changing, and older people have different expectations from even a generation ago.
- The gaps in communities are not just about money and income, there are also disparities in education, skills, and resources.

### **Supporting People with Dementia**

- We need to make housing's case to colleagues; housing is important part of service provision.
- We need more influence over policy. There is an unwillingness by policy makers to break out of silo thinking.
- Person-centric approach. We need to educate people about what is the availability of choice. What difference can we make at a policy level and a personal level?

### **Independent Living in Rural Communities**

- We need strategic leadership, especially on rural communities.
- Personalisation of care. We need to explore co-production with communities, so they can develop their own support programmes based on their own needs.