

Finding the treasure

Exploring Asset Based Community Development

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HODGE HILL CHURCH
Growing Loving Community



Fri 15 May 2026 • Hodge Hill Church, Birmingham

10AM

PLACE OF WELCOME

Welcome, refreshments, intentional connecting & conversation

10.30

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

10.40

HAVING GREAT CONVERSATIONS

10.45

'EXPLORING ABCD'

11.30

REFRESHMENT BREAK

11.45

'EXPLORING ABCD' CTD

12.45

LUNCH BREAK

13.15

WORKSHOP ROUND 1

14.00

REFRESHMENT BREAK

14.15

WORKSHOP ROUND 2

15.00

REFRESHMENT BREAK

15.15

SMALL GROUP AND PLENARY CONVERSATIONS



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WORKSHOP ROUND 1: THE OPTIONS

START WITH CONNECTING: ABCD IN PRACTICE (1)

Paul Wright, Clare Mclean and Tiffany Nicholson
(Open Door Community Foundation's 'Street Connecting' staff team)

COMMUNITY-BUILDING WITH (AND BY) YOUNG PEOPLE

Dan Sandford-Smith
(Branch Director, Worth Unlimited Birmingham & Solihull)

'BUT I NEED DATA!': EVALUATING ABCD PROJECTS

Jane Perry
(Researcher and evaluator, freelance and Church Action on Poverty)

MAKING MEETINGS MATTER: HOW TO HOST LIFE-GIVING (NOT LIFE-SAPPING!) CONVERSATIONS

Steph Vidal-Hall
(Freelance trainer, Making Meetings Matter)

AN (ECO-)SPIRITUALITY FOR COMMUNITY-BUILDING IN A WORLD FALLING APART

Revd Dr Al Barrett
(Rector, Hodge Hill Church)

WORKSHOP ROUND 2: THE OPTIONS

'BUT I JUST NEED HELP!' (1): ABCD & SUPPORTING PEOPLE'S MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING

Andy Freeman
(CEO, Space to Breathe)

'BUT I JUST NEED HELP!' (2): ABCD & SUPPORTING PEOPLE'S LIVELIHOODS

Jane Perry (Researcher & evaluator – freelance & Church Action on Poverty)
Flo Berrow (Open Door Community Foundation, Livelihoods Support Worker)

MAKING MEETINGS MATTER: HOW TO HOST LIFE-GIVING (NOT LIFE-SAPPING!) CONVERSATIONS

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(Freelance trainer, Making Meetings Matter)

'WHAT HAPPENS WHEN IT GETS TOUGH?': ABCD IN PRACTICE (2)

Paul Wright (Director of Strategy & Engagement, Open Door Community Foundation)
Dan Sandford-Smith (Director, Worth Unlimited Birmingham & Solihull)

'BUT WHAT ABOUT EVANGELISM?': ABCD & JESUS

Soobie Whitfield and Clare Mclean (FAB Church co-leaders)