

# *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**

**11.00**

### **'EXPLORING ABCD'**

**11.30**

### **REFRESHMENT BREAK**

**11.45**

### **'EXPLORING ABCD' CTD**

**12.30**

### **LUNCH BREAK**

**13.30**

### **WORKSHOP ROUND 1**

**14.15**

### **REFRESHMENT BREAK**

**14.30**

### **WORKSHOP ROUND 2**

**15.15**

### **REFRESHMENT BREAK**

**15.30**

### **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)

### **ABCD AS MISSION: FINDING COMMON GROUND IN A TIME OF DIVISION**

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**

Steph Vidal-Hall  
(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)