



**West Midlands Regional Observatory Annual Conference 2009**  
Ramada Hotel, Penns Lane, Walmley, Sutton Coldfield, B76 1LH  
**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2009**

**“WEST MIDLANDS: Fit for the Future?”**






**Speakers**

	<b>Surname</b>	<b>Forename</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
	Gidney	Daniel	Ricoh Arena
	Hyde	Richard	Chair of West Midlands Regional Observatory
	McNulty	Sir Roy	Advantage West Midlands
	Paskins	Rosie	West Midlands Regional Observatory
	Phillips	CLlr Roger	Herefordshire Council
	Woolhouse	Richard	Centre for Cities

**Question Panel**

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	Bailey	Professor David	Coventry University Business School
	Grace	Mike	Natural England
	Marsh	Revd. Colin	Birmingham Churches Together and West Midlands Region Churches Forum
	Nawaz	Zahid	Equality & Human Rights Commission
	Robson	Julie	Learning & Skills Council
	Upton	Dr. Chris	Newman University College

## Workshops

		Workshop name	Room
	<b>1</b>	Innovating out of recession	Windows on the lake
	<b>2</b>	Re-engaging communities in the new economy	Park Mews
	<b>3</b>	Skills for the emerging economy	Penns Quay
	<b>4</b>	Environment and economy	Quayside
	<b>5</b>	Regional drivers for the future	Mayfair Suite

## List of Delegates

	<b>Surname</b>	<b>Forename</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Workshop AM</b>	<b>Workshop PM</b>
	Addinell	Teresa	Learning & Skills Council	3	5
	Allen	Chris	University of Birmingham	2	5
	Alton	Louise	CSWP Ltd	1	3
	Amison	Philip	Advantage West Midlands	5	3
	Aucott	Jacquie	CWIC	2	2
	Babb	Nigel	University of Wolverhampton	1	5
	Bailey	Prof. David	Coventry University Business School	1	1
	Baker	Gary	Solihull Observatory	2	5
	Bastin	Lucy	Aston University	4	2
	Beard	James	EBNS Regeneration Zone Ltd	3	5
	Beasley	Mike	West Midlands Regional Skills Partnership	3	3
	Bennett	Louise	Coventry & Warwickshire Chamber of Commerce	1	1
	Bentley	Gill	Centre for Urban and Regional Studies	5	1
	Bevan	Kay	University of Birmingham	3	5
	Blewitt	Dr. John	Lifelong Learning Centre	2	3
	Bourne	Michael	West Bromwich Building Society	4	5
	Bowlam	Bob	Regional Skills Partnership	3	3
	Bowsher	Carol	Ironbridge Gorge Museum Trust		
	Bradnam	Lesley	Birmingham City Council	4	1
	Brierton	Jackie	YPECOE		
	Brown	Paul	Ernst & Young		
	Bruce	Jeremy	Sustainability West Midlands	2	4
	Chillingworth	Melanie	Sandwell MBC	3	1
	Clark	Andy	Transforming Telford	4	1
	Clement	Awen	MedilinkWM	1	5
	Clough	Mark	Highways Agency	5	4
	Cobbing	Paul	Government Office for the West Midlands	1	
	Cornfoot	Trevor	Advantage West Midlands	5	5
	Courts	Ian	Solihull MBC	2	4
	Craig	Denise	Federation of Small Businesses	5	4
	Darlaston	David	Business in the Community	3	
	De Reybekill	Dr. Neil	Life Research Ltd		
	Dennett	Cliff	Thoughtengine	1	1
	Dunleavy	Mary	West Midlands Regional Development Centre	1	2

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	Edwards	Graham	EBNS Regeneration Zone Ltd	1	5
	Ellis	Julia	MADE	4	2
	Fleetwood	Charlotte	CLG	1	3
	Ford	Sandra	Black Country Consortium	3	4
	Gebbels	Tim	Advantage West Midlands	5	5
	Gilbert	Fran	West Midlands Regional Assembly	5	4
	Gill	Rebecca	Government Office for the West Midlands		
	Grace	Mike	Natural England		
	Green	Anne	IER, University of Warwick	3	5
	Hall	Charlotte	Learning & Skills Council	3	5
	Harvey	Keith	Advantage West Midlands	4	2
	Heslegrave	Bill	Forestry Commission	4	4
	Higgs	Tony	Jobcentre Plus	2	5
	Hill	Dave	Warwickshire County Council	1	5
	Hucker	Mark	Sandwell College	1	5
	Hughes	Dave	Business in the Community	2	3
	Hussain	Wafia	Sandwell PCT		
	Jackson	Pat	Advantage West Midlands	3	3
	Johnson	Angela	West Midlands Fire Service	2	1
	Jones	Phillip	West Midlands Industrial Mission Association	5	2
	Jones	Glynn	Advantage West Midlands	5	5
	Lane	Juliet	Shropshire Council		
	Lee	John	Government Office for the West Midlands	2	2
	Leighton – Johnstone	Lynn	University of Wolverhampton	1	3
	Long	Dr. Paul	Birmingham City University	2	3
	Lovatt	Steve	Stoke on Trent City Council	3	2
	Loynes	Sarah	AECOM		
	Lukosiute	Vaida	Sustainability West Midlands		
	MacAulay	Brian	NESTA	1	1
	MacDonald	Lisa	Safer Communities		
	Madden	Penny	City of Wolverhampton College	2	3
	Marsh	Revd. Colin	West Midlands Region Churches Forum	5	4
	Martyn	Rhiannon	The Open University in the West Midlands	3	5
	Mauldrige	Bridget	Government Office for the West Midlands		

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	McClure	Sian	Regional Action West Midlands	2	2
	Merrett	Paul	Improvement & Efficiency West Midlands		
	Messham	Gren	GCM associates		
	Moore	Laura	BIG Lottery Fund	4	5
	Murphy	Dr. Simon	City Region of Birmingham, Coventry & the Black Country	4	4
	Nawaz	Zahid	Equality & Human Rights Commission	2	2
	Newall	Dave	West Midlands Strategic Migration Group	5	2
	Owen	Chris	BMG research		
	Palmer	Sharon	Regional Action West Midlands	2	2
	Palmer	Sharon	Environment Agency	5	4
	Passmore	Adrian	RegenWM	5	2
	Patel	Manisha	BIG Lottery Fund	2	3
	Pates	Rebecca	SQW Consulting	5	4
	Patterson	Sharon	Equality & Human Rights Commission	1	2
	Pattinson	John	West Midlands Regional Assembly	5	2
	Pearce	Amanda	Natural England	4	2
	Peterkin – Philip	Melanie	DIEMconsulting Ltd	5	2
	Peters	Jane	National Apprenticeship Service	3	5
	Pidgeon	Cheryl	Midlands TUC	1	2
	Poulter	Rose	Advantage West Midlands	5	5
	Pugh	Julie	Shropshire Council	3	4
	Randle	Mark	North Warwickshire & Hinckley College	3	2
	Rao	Dr. Jammi	Department of Health West Midlands	4	4
	Rees	Ayesha	Alliance of Sector Skills Council	1	3
	Richardson	Sam	Learning & Skills Council	3	5
	Rider	John	Institute of Directors		
	Riley	Richard	West Midlands Higher Education Association		
	Robinson	Claire	Advantage West Midlands	1	5
	Rudd	Andrew	Worcestershire County Council	4	2
	Sawbridge	Steve	Association of Colleges	3	3
	Schiessel	Nicki			
	Schifferes	Jonathan	Strategic Planning Advice Ltd	5	4
	See	Martin	Environment Agency	4	5
	Slater	Dr. Simon	Sustainability West Midlands	4	4

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	Smith	Graham	Staffordshire University		
	Smith	Jamie	Staffordshire University	5	3
	Squire	Henry	Council of Disabled People	2	5
	Styche	Christopher	Black Country Consortium	5	3
	Thomas	Sian	Sustainability West Midlands	4	5
	Thompson	Audie	BMG Research		
	Tissington	Dr. Patrick	Aston University	3	1
	Toomer	Paul	Jobcentre Plus	3	1
	Topman	Simon	West Midlands Chamber of Commerce		1
	Underdown	Nicola	ARO		
	Upton	Dr. Chris	Newman University College	5	5
	Vining	Jonathan	Staffordshire County Council	5	3
	Waddell	Pam	Advantage West Midlands		1
	Wainwright	Michael	Construction Skills	2	1
	Warner	Tim	Jericho Foundation	2	2
	Weaver	Alan	Midlands TUC	5	2
	Webb	Stuart	Advantage West Midlands	1	4
	Wells	Ada	Staffordshire County Council	5	3
	Whiting	Marcus	Sandwell MBC	5	1
	Wilkes	Helen	Homes & Communities Agency	5	2
	Wilson	Hamish	Birmingham City Council	5	3
	Wong	Sherman	West Midlands Leaders Board	3	5
	Woods	Isobel	Solihull MBC	1	3
	Wrench	Gareth	Warwickshire Observatory	5	4
	Yarroll	Ian	NIACE	3	2

Note that most of the Observatory's staff team are at the conference – details in the delegate packs