

# Faith in Social Action: Where Next?

A day conference for faith based practitioners, third sector leaders, researchers and policy makers

University of Westminster

24<sup>th</sup> May 2016

- 10.30 Refreshments and registration
- 11.00 Belief in Social Action: Key findings and debates:  
*Heather Buckingham and Steve Miller*
- 11.20 Responses by grassroots faith activists, and plenary discussion
- 11.45 MORNING DISCUSSION GROUPS – mainly focused on issues faced by “front-line” local groups:
- responding to welfare reform/austerity,
  - issues of capacity in faith groups,
  - the changing face of multi-faith working,
  - conflicted faith - helping those in need vs speaking out
  - *other topics according to participants' interests*
- 12.45 Reflective keynote: faith based social action in the context of the wider religion and belief landscape  
*Professor Adam Dinham*
- 1.00 Lunch & market-place
- 1.45 From reactive to pro-active: faith based social action in a wider context:  
*Angus McCabe*
- 2.00 AFTERNOON DISCUSSION GROUPS – mainly focused on national and strategic issues  
All groups will have the chance to discuss all issues including:
- How do we build effective local, regional and national networks
  - What are the key issues or areas of work for the faiths sector?
  - What are our learning and development needs?
  - How do we build strategic voice and influence?
- 3.00 Summary - pulling together the themes
- 3.30 Close

Rooms will be available for further networking until at least 4.30pm.

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