

# Call for Papers: HSA CONFERENCE 2012

## 2012: *How is the Housing System Coping?*



### University of York

Wednesday 18th – Friday 20th April 2012



Papers are invited from academics and practitioners in housing and related disciplines for the HSA's 2012 Conference: *How is the Housing System Coping?*

Economic headwinds, public expenditure cuts, reforms to Housing Benefit and pensions, and ongoing turmoil in the financial markets have all combined to create a very challenging housing market. All tenures are coping with major shake-ups in the way they operate. The new social policy agenda being taken forward by the Coalition government may reinforce social inequality. This conference provides an opportunity to examine the issues facing the component parts of the housing system in the UK and suggest ways of addressing them in the context of the wider social policy arena.

Keynote speakers will focus on a number of themes:

- The impact of the changing socio-economic environment on the housing system
- Political themes which influence the housing system: the 'Big Society', localism and devolution
- What future for evidence based policy?

Confirmed speakers include:

- Professor Andrew Beer, Director, Centre for Housing, Urban and Regional Planning, University of Adelaide
- Professor Danny Dorling, University of Sheffield
- Professor Duncan MacLennan, University of St. Andrews
- Alex Morton, Senior Research Fellow, Policy Exchange
- Dr Mike Raco, University College London
- Professor Christine Whitehead, London School of Economics

Offers of papers (a title and 200 word abstract) should be emailed to Ursula McAnulty ([u.mcanulty@ulster.ac.uk](mailto:u.mcanulty@ulster.ac.uk)) and Joe Frey ([joe.frey@nihe.gov.uk](mailto:joe.frey@nihe.gov.uk)) by Monday 16th January 2012. We welcome papers addressing the conference themes or dealing with any other aspect of housing policy or practice.

As in previous years an Early Career Housing Researchers Stream will run in parallel with the main conference. Further details are available from the HSA website. Abstracts of 200 words should be sent to [Tom.Moore@student.shu.ac.uk](mailto:Tom.Moore@student.shu.ac.uk) by 16th January 2012. A small number of bursaries will be available for early career researchers. These will be funded jointly by the Housing Studies Association and the Housing Studies Charitable Trust.

For further details see the Housing Studies Association website:

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