

# Developing Communities Through Learning: Evidencing Impact

Do you have good practice and wish to tell the world about it?

An international book is being written and we are seeking case studies for publication. We are looking for exemplars of good practice in adult learning, work with young people, community development, health and well-being and other disciplines where learning for the individual, group, family or community is foregrounded.

Often we know our work is good but find it difficult to say why. This book seeks to remedy this situation by describing good practice and showing how we know it is good. Case studies will be 2,000 to 2,500 words long. At this stage we just need a brief abstract of up to 500 words, so that we can select case studies to be developed for the book. There will be 2 or 3 case study chapters for each theme outlined below. The deadline for abstracts is **30<sup>th</sup> March 2016** and the deadline for completed chapters is **30<sup>th</sup> June 2016**. In the abstract please explain:

- The context and setting of the work done;
- What was good about it?
- How you knew it was good?

The editors are all colleagues from Scotland but are seeking case study chapters from anywhere in the world. They are:

- **Karen McArdle**, Professor (Emerita) School of Education, University of Aberdeen, Scotland
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- **Sue Briggs**, Strategic Development Officer with a local government CLD Service.
- **Clare Harper**, Education Development Manager, The Workers' Educational Association (Scotland) - a UK voluntary sector organisation.
- **Kirsty Forrester**, Community Engagement Officer, Aberdeenshire, Alcohol and Drug Partnership, Scotland.

The book is organized into 5 themes as outlined below. We recognize that themes overlap but please pick one theme and send your abstract to Karen McArdle [k.a.mcardle@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:k.a.mcardle@abdn.ac.uk) Please indicate which theme most applies to your case study and the contact details for the corresponding (main) author

- Integration
- Poverty
- Equality
- Empowerment
- Health and Well-being

If you require further information or wish to discuss your contribution, please contact Karen McArdle [k.a.mcardle@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:k.a.mcardle@abdn.ac.uk)

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