

**Community Control through Stock Transfer**

**Wednesday 5th December**  
New Century Hall, Manchester

**Wednesday 12th December**  
Stockwell Park Estate Management Board, London

All seminars will run from 9.30am until 4.00pm

**Application form**

Please photocopy this application form and send the completed form to:

Co-operative Union Events Office, Holyoake House, Hanover Street, Manchester, M60 0AS Or fax it to: 0161 831 7684

Seminar you wish to attend: Manchester / London (please delete as applicable)

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Total cost @ £25 for tenant delegates .....

and £75 for all other delegates .....

Please make cheques payable to the Confederation of Co-operative Housing

For booking information on these seminars:  
contact the Co-operative Union Events Office on 0161 246 2908 / 2934 / 2904 or on rbutler.coopunion@co-op.co.uk

For seminar content information:  
contact Nic Bliss on 0121 449 9588 or on nic@cch-uk.org

2 seminars on

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Chairman UK Co-operative Council
- **Pauline Green**  
CEO, the Co-operative Union
- **Sarah Webb**  
Community Housing Task Force
- **Jeff Zitron**  
HACAS Chapman Hendy
- **Cliff Mills/Mike Gaskell**  
Cobbetts
- **John Perry**  
Chartered Institute of Housing
- **Nic Bliss/Charlie Baker**  
Confederation of Co-operative  
Housing and a range of speakers from  
community controlled organisations



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**The Co-operative Union**  
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With the increasing significance of stock transfer as the future of council housing stock, the Government has signalled its intention to see transfer as a means of enhancing and developing community empowerment through its creation of the Community Housing Task Force in the DTLR, with its purpose to provide advice on tenant and community empowerment to those involved in stock transfer. However, there are currently significant barriers to developing community empowerment through stock transfer and there is a lack of clarity about how community empowerment could be achieved.

Responding to this agenda, the Confederation of Co-operative Housing, in partnership with the Co-operative Union, has developed the Community Gateway Model of stock transfer to enable the development of neighbourhood based community control and empowerment.

To consult on and discuss this model, the CCH and the Co-operative Union with the Chartered Institute of Housing are hosting two seminars, aimed primarily at local authority members, housing staff and tenants.

Two key publications will form the basis of the seminars:

- A publication by Mutuo – the independent thinktank for the mutual sector – which will outline the co-operative model, alongside submissions from the CCH, Cobbetts solicitors, and Hacas Chapman Hendy and Beha Williams
- The recent research report by the CCH entitled Tenant Control & Social Exclusion which explains how the contribution made by community controlled organisations is fundamental to tackling social exclusion.

“We will know we have been successful if transfers produce thriving neighbourhoods in which community housing offers a real positive choice for people”

**Sarah Webb**  
Head of the Community Housing Task Force.

## Programme

Each seminar will run from 9.30am until 4.00pm

The keynote plenaries will be chaired by **Lord Graham of Edmonton**, the chairman of the UK Co-operative Council

### Policy speakers will include:

- **Pauline Green**  
Chief Executive  
The Co-operative Union
- **Nic Bliss/Charlie Baker**  
The Confederation of Co-operative Housing
- **Cliff Mills/Michael Gaskell**  
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- **Jeff Zitron**  
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### Speakers on community control in practice will include:

- **Terry Edis**  
Burrowes Street Co-operative
- **Julie Fawcett**  
Stockwell Park Estate Management Board
- **Hamir Jesa**  
Leicester Housing Association
- **Tim Molton**  
Heath Town Estate Management Board
- **Phil Welsh/Billy Hunter**  
West Whitlawburn Housing Co-op

### Workshop sessions will be focused on:

Workshop sessions will be focused on consultation and discussion on the exploring practical applications of the Community Gateway Model and investigating how it could help meet the aim of providing choice and empowerment to tenants and communities.