

THE POLITICS OF SERVICE USER INVOLVEMENT IN RESEARCH POLICY AND PRACTICE

A one day events workshop supported by the Social Policy Association (SPA) at Coventry University

Intended outcomes include:

- to develop terms of reference for the Welfare Service Users Special Interest Group with a view to recommending a shortlist of acceptable terminology
- to discuss and draw up recommendations to grant-making bodies about how to develop and assess applications which include user involvement

Date: Thursday 15th April 10am – 3pm

Location: Faculty of Health and Life Sciences, Coventry University, Richard Crossman Building, Jordan Well, Coventry City Centre (Opposite Herbert Art Gallery – postcode: CV1 5QP)

Costs: Academics and professionals £25

Postgraduate students £10 Service users Free

Speakers include:

- Professor Peter Beresford, Brunel University
- Jenny McNeil, HOME (Homelessness and Multiple Exclusion study)
- Simon Stevens, Service User and Independent Disability Trainer and Consultant
- ESRC representative (tbc)
- Grahame Whitfield, Centre for Research in Social Policy, Loughborough University

Space is limited to 50 participants. We hope that a good mix of users, students, professionals and academics will be able to attend.



For service users without access to funding a *limited* contribution to travel costs may be available. The amount depends on overall demand. If you wish to be considered please indicate on your booking form. Please note, however, that funds are limited and we will NOT be able to meet the full travel costs of participants.

To book: contact Claire Lovick, <u>c.lovick@coventry.ac.uk</u>, with your NAME, EMAIL, PHONE NUMBER and POSTAL ADDRESS, who will forward further details and a booking form.