

IED Online Conference 2021: *'Understanding Building Back Better'* **DRAFT PROGRAMME**

Day 1 (May 25)

- 13.15 – 13.30** **Chair's Opening Remarks**
Bev Hurley, Chair, Institute of Economic Development
- 13.30 – 14.15** **Opening Keynote Address: *'A Green New Deal for Communities'***
Miatta Fahnbulleh, Chief Executive, New Economics Foundation
- 14.15 – 15.00** **Opening Panel Discussion: *'Perspectives from the Frontline of Levelling-up'***
Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government
Towns Fund Delivery Partner
Town representative
- 15.00 – 15.30** **Keynote Address**
Greg Clark MP, Patron, Institute of Economic Development
- Break**
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- 15.40 – 16.20** **Panel Discussion: *'Local Impact'***
Neil McInroy, Chief Executive, Centre for Local Economic Strategies
Julia McLachlan, Senior Manager – Economic Policy, North Ayrshire Council
- 16.20 – 16.45** **Keynote Address: *'Community Power'***
Jessica Studdert, Deputy Chief Executive, New Local
- 16.45 – 17.15** **Keynote Address**
Geoff Tiley, Senior Economist, Trades Union Congress
- 17.15 – 18.00** **IED 'Open House' (informal group discussion with IED board members)**
- 18.00** **Day 1 Ends**



Day 2 (May 26)

- 08.30 – 09.00** ***'Delivering for Towns'***
Towns Fund Delivery Partner
- 09.00 – 09.05** **Chair's Introduction**
Bev Hurley, Chair, Institute of Economic Development
- 09.05 – 09.50** **Keynote Address: *'Understanding Building Back Better'***
Lord Jim O'Neill, Vice Chair, Northern Powerhouse Partnership
- 09.50 – 10.30** **Panel Discussion: Social Value**
Richard Cook, Director - Economics, Pegasus Group
Co-Speaker
- 10.30 – 11.10** **Panel Discussion: Employment & Skills**
Fiona Aldridge, Director for Policy and Research, Learning and Work Institute
Co-Speaker
- Break**
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- 11.20 – 12.05** **Panel Discussion: Productivity**
- 12.05 – 12.50** **Closing Keynote Address: *'Routes to Levelling Britain Up'***
Bridget Rosewell, Commissioner, National Infrastructure Commission
- 12.50 – 13.00** **Chair's Closing Remarks**
Bev Hurley, Chair, Institute of Economic Development
- 13.00** **Conference Ends**

