

# RSN FREE SEMINAR SERIES

Programme for 2016 - 2017



RURAL  
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## Rural Economies

Swindon - 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016

### *Confirmed speakers:*

- Local Food – Rob Poole Cornwall (RCC)

*This seminar will consider what can be done to help all rural places thrive and fulfil their economic potential.*

## Rural Programmes

Durham - 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017

### *Confirmed speakers:*

- Richard Scothorne (Director Rocket Science)
- Andy Dean (CEO - Community Action Northumberland)
- Andrew Thurston (Diocesan Secretary)
- Heather Smith (Northumberland Council)

*This seminar will explore what schemes are being delivered in rural communities, and whether projects are addressing local priorities or leaving rural residents and businesses stifled by regulatory and operational requirements.*

## Grants/Funding

Peterborough - 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016

### *Confirmed speakers:*

- Clare Crookenden (The Prince's Countryside Fund)
- Claire Watts (East Riding of Yorkshire Council)
- Gordon Hunter (Lincolnshire Community Foundation) & Richard Collins (Sortified CIC)
- Sean Tizzard (Big Lottery Fund)

## Rural Places

Chester - 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017

### *Confirmed speakers:*

- Rural Towns - Professor John Shepherd (Birkbeck Emeritus)
- Small Woodlands - Ian Baker (Small Woodlands Association)
- Coasts - Jeremy Pickles (East Riding)
- Landscape of the Yorkshire Dales - Isobel Hall (Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust)

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