



**Data that makes a difference**  
**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2025**  
**13.30-15.30**  
**AGENDA**

- 13.25 Event Opens to Delegates
- 13.30 Welcome and Introduction to the RSN National Rural Conference  
[Kerry Booth](#), Chief Executive, [Rural Services Network](#)
- 13.40 [Dan Jones](#), Data Analyst, The [Rural Services Network](#)  
*Launch of Rural Research*
- 13.50 [Maram Tabidi](#), Research and Engagement Officer,  
[The Churchill Fellowship](#)  
*An Introduction to the Churchill Fellowship*
- 14.00 [Rima Berry](#), Churchill Fellow, [The Churchill Fellowship](#)  
*Build it and they will come: Community Land in Trust*
- 14.20 [Howard Nelson](#), Churchill Fellow, [The Churchill Fellowship](#)  
*Helping small rural schools thrive – the only way from here is together*
- 14.40 [Philippa Simmonds](#), Postdoctoral Researcher, [Countryside and Community Research Institute](#), and [Aimee Morse](#), Research Fellow,  
[NICRE](#)  
*Participatory Research methods, a route to tangible rural outcomes*
- 15.05 Panel discussion and Open Forum featuring our featured speakers.  
*This will be led by **Kerry Booth**, Chief Executive, Rural Services Network and is an opportunity for speakers and delegates to ask questions of speakers.*
- 15.30 Close of Conference Session

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