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# National Rural Conference 2021

Levelling Up to Revitalise Rural

Tuesday 14th September

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## Rural Economy

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10.00-12.00

09.55 Event Opens to Delegates

10.00 **Welcome to the RSN National Rural Conference**

Councillor Cecilia Motley, Chair of the Rural Services Network

10.10 **Professor Jeremy Phillipson, Director, NICRE**

*Contribution of rural enterprise to Levelling Up – building the evidence*

10.25 **Roger Turner, Rural Economies Consultant, NICRE**

*Contribution of rural enterprise to Levelling Up – changing Government's commitments to economic development*

10.40 **Professor Janet Dwyer, Co-director, NICRE**

*Levelling Up: the rural perspective for local Councils and Communities*

10.55 **Joint Q&A with Speakers**

11.10 **Response to NICRE Evidence**

**Georgina Edwards**, Policy & Research Manager, **Plunkett Foundation**  
**Chris Fuller**, Economic Development Officer, **Torridge District Council**  
**Andy Dean**, Chief Executive, **Community Action Northumberland**

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