



**54<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference**

**Supported by Lincolnshire Co-operative**

## **Consumer Co-operation Today: What Works Well**

Friday 24 – Saturday 25 February 2023

*Double Tree by Hilton, Cedar Suite, fourth floor*

*Brayford Wharf N, Lincoln, UK*

## Programme outline

### Friday 24 February

12:00-12:30	<i>Registration and lunch</i>
12:30-12:40	Welcome
12:40-13:30	Keynote 1: Debbie Robinson
13:30-15:30	Panel session
15:30-17:00	Guided visits
17:00-18:30	Networking with debrief on visits
18:30-19:00	Free time
19:00-21:00	<i>Conference Dinner</i>
21:00-21:30	After dinner speaker: David Cowell

### Saturday 25 February

09:00-09:30	<i>Registration and refreshments</i>
09:30-10:10	Keynote 2: Tony Webster
10:10-10:30	Talk by Jeevan Jones
10:30-11:00	Talk by Rory Ridley-Duff
11:00-11:30	<i>Break</i>
11:30-12:30	Paper session 1
12:30-13:10	<i>Lunch</i>
13:10-13:30	Book launch session
13:30-15:00	Paper session 2
15:00-15:30	Concluding remarks: looking forward

## Detailed programme

**Friday 24 February**

**12:00–12:30 Registration and lunch**

**12:30–12:40 Welcome**

**12:40–13:30 Keynote lecture 1**

**Debbie Robinson** (CEO, Central Co-op), **"A Members' Owned Business Today"**

*Chair: Francesca Gagliardi*

**13:30–15:30 Panel session – "Consumer Co-operation: Past, Present and Future"**

*Chair: Nick Matthews*

**Tarra Simmons** (Head of Community and Democratic Engagement, MidCounties Co-op)

**Laura Dunne** (Head of Marketing and Membership, Lincolnshire Co-op & Member of the Members Council, Co-op Group)

**Steve Galjaard** (Chief Financial Officer and Acting CEO, Lincolnshire Co-op)

**Mark Robinson-Field** (Member Participation Manager, Co-op Group)

**15:30–17:00 Guided visits to Cornhill Quarter and Science Park**

*(Delegates will be assigned to one of the two visits)*

**17:00–18:30 Networking with debrief on visits at Double Tree by Hilton**

**18:30–19:00 Free time**

**19:00–21:00 Conference dinner**

**21:00–21:30 After dinner speaker – David Cowell** (Lincolnshire Co-op Board Chair)

*Chair: Mike Wistow*

## Saturday 25 February

09:00–09:30 **Registration and refreshments**

09:30–10:10 **Keynote lecture 2**

**Tony Webster** (Northumbria University), **"Consumer Co-operation in the 21st Century: Some Examples of Strategic Renewal "**

*Chair: Francesca Gagliardi*

10:10–10:30 **Jeevan Jones** (Vice-President Business, Performance & Strategy, Co-op Group), **"Member Economic Value"**

*Chair: Mike Wistow*

10:30–11:00 **Rory Ridley-Duff** (Sheffield Hallam University), **"Report Back on New Co-operativism Seminar Series"**

*Chair: Mike Wistow*

11:00–11:30 **Break**

11:30–12:30 **Paper session 1**

*Chair: Rory Ridley-Duff*

**Andrew Bibby** (Independent), **"Co-operative Housing Initiatives before the 1919 Addison Act "**

**Claude-André Guillothe** (University of Sherbrooke), **"The Impact of COVID-19 on Canadian Co-operatives and Mutuals: Lessons Learned"**

12:30–13:10 **Lunch**

13:10–13:30 **Book Launch – Andrew Bibby**, ***These Houses Are Ours: Co-operative and Community Led Housing Alternatives, 1870 - 1919*** (Gritstone Social History, 2023)

**13:30–15:00 Paper session 2**

*Chair: Nick Matthews*

**Francesca Gagliardi** (University of Hertfordshire) & **Rory Ridley Duff** (Sheffield Hallam University), **"Co-operative Values, Principles and Sustainable Development"**

**Steve Graby** (University of Leeds), **"Disabled People's Personal Assistance Co-operatives: An Overlooked Form of Consumer Co-op with Radical Potential?"**

**Lakshmi Jayan** (Sree Narayana College, India), **Abilash Unny** (Price Waterhouse Coopers LLP, UK) & **Raju G** (University of Kerala (India), **"Consumer Cooperative Playbook (CCP): A Knowledge Sharing Digital Platform"**

**15:00–15:30 Concluding remarks: looking forward**

*Chair: Mike Wistow*