

# Social Inequalities Conference



Wednesday 25th September 2024

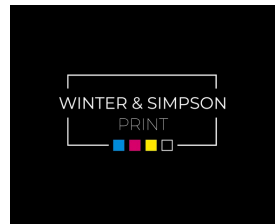
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# Programme

**10am - 10:10am** Welcome.

**10:10am - 10:50am** Darren McGarvey.

**10:50am - 12:15pm** Speakers delivering 10-minute presentations on the factors that cause health inequality.

- **Food Poverty** - Genna Millar (Manager) and Lauren Bell (Healthy Eating Coordinator), Dundee Bairns.
- **Exercise and Diet** - Louise Ballantyne (Managing Director with a Community Education background), OMNI.
- **Poverty** - Karen Nicolson (GP and clinical lecturer with special interests in health inequality and childhood adversity), St Andrews University/RCGP Deep End member.
- **Alcohol** - Carol Bailey (SafeZone Coordinator), Tayside Council on Alcohol.
- **Obesity** - Maia Quail (Policy and Partnerships Officer, Scottish Obesity Alliance).
- **Housing Conditions** - Joy Melville (Tenant Services Manager), Hillcrest.
- **Drugs** - Bobbi Murray (Support Worker for Positive Pathways) and Sam Garty-Sinclair (Team Leader for Crisis Response Outreach), Positive Steps.
- **Homelessness** - Bryan Smith (Chief Executive Officer) and Catherine McLaren (Support Services Manager), Transform Community Development.

**12:15pm - 1pm** Lunch.

**1pm - 1:30pm** Chelsea Cameron.

**1:30pm - 2:35pm** Speakers deliver 10-minute presentations on the factors that cause income and wealth inequality.

- **The Social Reproduction of Inequality** - Alex Law (Professor of Sociology), Abertay University.
- **Unemployment** - Robbie Timmons (Performance Manager with Enable Works), All in Dundee.
- **The Benefit System** - Ken Linton (Manager), Dundee and Angus Foodbank.
- **Family Structure** - Sarah Stewart (Head of Service Support for Families), One Parent Families Scotland.
- **Gender Based Violence** - Laura Winter (Team Leader, Protecting People Angus), Angus Council, Emma Hoskins (GBV LDO Gender Based Violence Learning and Development Officer), Women's Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre (WRASAC) Dundee and Angus and Danielle Wylie (Preventions Worker), Dundee Women's Aid.
- **Cost of Living Crisis** - Martel Maxwell (Trustee), Help for Kids.

**2:35pm - 2:45pm** Lynne Short, Councillor - Inequality in Dundee

**2:45pm - 3pm** Resources to enable discussions on addressing inequality to support the Assignment and vote of thanks.

# Statements of Support

Some of our sponsors have written statements of support for the Social Inequalities Conference which you can find below:

**Abertay Uni** - "Abertay University is proud to support the Social Inequalities Conference as part of our strategic goal to tackle poverty, widen access to higher education and address inequality in Scotland."

**Spar Scotland** - "Spar Scotland are proud to support the Social inequalities Conference."

**Rotary Club of Dundee** - "As part of a worldwide organisation committed to a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves, we in the Rotary Club of Dundee are passionate about helping to ensure that our young people develop the personal qualities and life skills to equip them for the future. We are, accordingly, delighted to be able to support the High School of Dundee pupils' initiative to address social inequalities in young people, and look forward to the positive outcomes that it promises to bring."

**Winter and Simpson** - "Winter and Simpson Print are happy to support the Social Inequalities Conference and wanted to contribute some free printed materials to help students better understand the issues and inequalities that affect marginalised communities. We hope that the conference will be beneficial for all the local schools involved and will help promote equality within our community."

**Turtle Tots Dundee** - "I wanted to support the Social Inequalities Conference as I feel it is a topic that needs more awareness especially within young people. Having young children myself, I think it is important they are aware of these inequalities in society, and I believe that everyone should be treated the same, no matter what their background. You have all put together an amazing event and we are happy to be a sponsor."

**The Courier** - "The Courier is committed to addressing social inequalities and believes that collaborating with Dundee High School will empower students to critically examine and engage with the important issues of wealth and health disparities."

**Northwood** - "The Northwood Charitable Trust is delighted to be supporting this important conference. The Trust's core purpose is: making communities better and more supportive places for people to live, work and prosper, which fits perfectly with today's programme."

**Asda** - "We are happy to donate pens and notepads for the Social Inequalities Conference as the conference fits in with our community-focused ethos."

**Tesco** – “At Tesco, our core purpose is to serve our customers, communities and planet a little better every day. Our amazing team at our Dundee Customer & Colleague Engagement Centre is doing a fantastic job of supporting lots of local community organisations and initiatives, from volunteering to donating supplies. The Social Inequalities Conference is an extremely valuable event for young people, and we’re happy to be able to offer our support.”

**The Nine Incorporated Trades of Dundee** – “The Nine Incorporated Trades of Dundee have a long history of helping those less fortunate in the City and regularly disperse charitable funds to groups that focus on supporting young people, the vulnerable and disadvantaged. We are delighted to support the Social Inequalities Conference, an event that shares our aim for the prevention and relief of poverty whilst at the same time advancing education and health.”

**Help for Kids** – “We are absolutely delighted to have been able to support the conference, we as a charity work daily with families and children who are struggling due to social and economical circumstances so to be able to be part of this conference fits very well with what our charity’s objectives are, we are looking forward to an interesting day with lots of great speakers covering all topics we deal with daily.”

## Togs Hot Water Bottle Collection



There is a collection in the foyer of new hot water bottles for local charity, Togs (SC048263).

Togs work similarly to a foodbank and collect donations of pre-loved clothes, toys, new bedding etc and distribute these to children from struggling families in Dundee and the surrounding areas.

This winter they are aiming to put a new hot water bottle in with each referral they hand out to help families who are struggling to afford the costs of heating their homes due to the rising price of utility bills. These hot water bottles will help keep children cosy.

**Scan this QR code to access the presentations, websites and contact details of today’s speaker, the websites of our sponsors and discussion questions to facilitate Assignment research, support essay planning and inspire action on social inequalities.**

