

More Localism...

CPRE Avonside are running an event in Bristol to provide more in-depth discussion of some of the more awkward questions around Neighbourhood Planning. We are also developing a project to help community groups identify and protect special places in their area—full details below...

Planning our future

The Localism Act and neighbourhood planning

Saturday 24th March 2012, 9.30am to 4.30pm
Armada House, Telephone Avenue, Bristol BS1 4BQ
Free but booking is required

CPRE is running a conference in Bristol to provide information and discussion around the Localism Act and neighbourhood planning. It is open to individuals and community groups who want to learn how to have **a real voice in planning for their local area**.

There will be talks by ‘front-runner’ groups about the reality of producing Neighbourhood Development Plans, and discussions on the more awkward questions that the Localism Bill has brought up - **just what are the limits of Localism?** How can community groups effectively involve and engage the people in their area in planning? And can communities really use the Localism Act to say no to unwanted development?

For more information or to book a place, please contact Joe Evans at CPRE Avonside

Special Places

Using the Localism Act to protect your local heritage

We want to find the special places in our area— buildings or land that have particular value for the local community and that have a history and heritage of community use.

These special places might be old or relatively new; it might be something as simple as a stile with an amazing view, or a pub that has been at the heart of the community for generations; it might be a ruin in a woodland, a village green, a community centre...

In particular we are looking for **places with stories attached to them**—personal stories, family stories, local history and heritage; new stories or ancient folklore.

We will work with community groups to document these special places using **oral history, photography, film and writing**. We will exhibit the material we gather in your community and on our website, and it will form a body of evidence to help protect these special places, including registering them as Assets of Community Value.

If you would like to be part of this project, please contact us