

# Open Event: Celebrating Equality and Diversity

## **Guest Speakers:**

#### Helen Carr, UCU National Head of Equality & Participation

Helen has been Head of Equality and Participation at UCU since August 2010. She is responsible for the development and implementation of UCU's equality policy and practice equality as well as members training and participation in the union. Her role is to influence the policy agenda in higher and further education, as well as with sector bodies and Government. Helen has particular responsibility for disability issues.

Helen has previously led policy teams at the Charity Commission, Association of Police Authorities, Brighton and Hove Council and Hackney Council. Her experience is not only in equality relating to employment but have also led social and economic regeneration projects which address in our communities

## Dr Geraldine Brown, Research Fellow, Faculty of Arts & Humanities (CU)

Dr Geraldine Brown's disciplinary background is in the areas of Sociology and Social Policy. Her specific research interests include: public policy and practice, community engagement and community action. A key key focus' of her work is the critical exploration of the various barriers that contribute to communities' exclusion and/or marginalisation in order to support community action leading to institutional and societal 'change.'

# Followed by discussion Meeting open to all, please share Coventry University Wednesday 24th February, 12 noon Richard Crossman RCG33

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