

Seminar to discuss the relationship and interaction between unitary
authorities and community and town councils
25th January 2010 at The Pavilion Llandrindod Wells

10:00 – Coffee, tea and biscuits

10.30 – Introduction from Reg Kilpatrick, Head of Local Government Policy, Welsh Assembly Government.

10:45 – First speaker: Ian McGill, Torfaen

- The history, structure and purpose of the Local Councils Partnership Committee
- Background to the Torfaen Charter

11:00 – Second speaker: Helen Morgan, Caerphilly

- The history of the Liaison Officer post and its role in developing charters and community communication
- Purpose and arrangement of pre meetings and quarterly meetings between unitary authority and community and town councils

11:15 – Group discussion: Importance of communication

11:45 – Third speaker: Bev Noon, Vale of Glamorgan

- Agreeing a charter – the practicalities of the process; achievements and challenges

12:00 – Group discussion: Benefits of the Charter

12:30 – Question and Answer Session with the speakers

13.00 – Closing summary by Cllr John Harvey, Chair, One Voice Wales

Networking Lunch