

## **Fairness Commissions: Can they Help Reduce Poverty and Inequality?**

**An event hosted by the All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Poverty and the Webb Memorial Trust at the Palace of Westminster  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2013, 11.00am – 2.15pm  
(entry via Cromwell Green visitor entrance to Parliament)**

### **Agenda**

**11.00am – 12.00pm:** Meeting in Committee Room 20 hosted by the APPG on Poverty, chaired by Kate Green MP

*Purpose: For members of the APPG on Poverty and other parliamentarians to hear first-hand from commissioners about the work of the commissions, the issues they seek to address, the recommendations they have made, the challenges they face and the opportunities they envisage going forward in trying to address poverty and inequality. Also an opportunity for commissioners to say what action they think government should take.*

**11.00am – 11.05am:** Welcome and introductions

**11.05am – 11.20am:** The commission process – what has worked/is working?

**11.20am – 11.35am:** Fairness commissions - in what ways can they reduce poverty and inequality?

**11.35am – 11.55am:** What actions can local and/or central government take?

**11.55am – 12.00pm:** Closing comments

**12.00pm – 1.15pm:** Lunch/networking (Palace of Westminster)

**1.15pm – 2.15pm:** Meeting hosted by the Webb Memorial Trust in Committee Room 17 chaired by Barry Knight, Principal Adviser to the Trust, facilitated by Paul Bunyan and John Diamond (Evaluation team for the Webb Memorial Trust)

*Purpose: For fairness commissioners to consider possible next steps in their work and whether there is scope for collaboration between those cities with Fairness Commissions and across regions in bringing issues to national attention.*

**1.15pm – 1.35pm:** Debrief of earlier meeting – what are the key issues emerging?

**1.35pm – 1.55pm:** What scope is there for collaboration between cities and across regions?

**1.55pm – 2.10pm:** Next steps (including update on the evaluation)

**2.10pm – 2.15pm:** Closing comments