

Oscar Krane

Event Programme

Wednesday 27th - Thursday 28th March 2019



**Shrigley Hall Hotel & Spa
Near Macclesfield
Cheshire
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United Kingdom**



Doing more with less sounds like an advert for one of the high street supermarkets, but it's what every council across the United Kingdom is having to do. With less money being distributed by central government, councils are having to find innovative ways to save money, increase efficiency and generate income. Many councils are well on their way to achieving either or both of these things whether it be combining and sharing resources with another council, renting out office space to SME's or everything in between. Change is here and changes will continue to happen!

Key topics to be discussed include:

- Smart Cities
- Digital by Design
- Unitary Authorities
- Transforming GDPR
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Creating a Smart County
- Recovering from Bankruptcy
- Organisational Transformation
- Right Technology in the Right Place
- Doing Public and Private Partnerships Better
- Local Government Finance and Sustainability

WEDNESDAY 27TH MARCH 2019

15.00 - 18.00

Hotel Check-in and Free Time

19.00 - 20.30

Registration & Drinks Reception

20.30 - 22.30

Networking Dinner

08.00 - 08.50

Registration, Tea, Coffee and Pastries

08.50 - 09.00

Chair's Welcome and Opening Remarks



Richard Quayle

Programme Director



09.00 - 09.30

Creating a Smart County



John Henderson
Chief Executive



How do you achieve the digital advantages of a smart city with the quality of life advantages of living in a rural county?

This is the question the council asked before embarking on its Smart County journey, John Henderson will discuss the council delivered "digital" outside of the big cities.

09.30 - 10.00

Digital by Design- A different approach to digital transformation



Pam Smith
Chief Executive



Stockport Council have embarked on a digital transformation project but with a crucial difference, they are viewing not just the digital technology but the culture too.

The council are working with the NHS, Police and the voluntary sector to close the gap between digital and the front line but putting communication, co-design and continuous improvement at the heart of delivery. However in the current climate, how is this possible?

This presentation will talk about how the Council has managed to get all partner organisations singing from the same hymn sheet along with what the technology looks like and how they have changed the culture as well.

10.00 - 10.30

Case Study Presentation

10.30 - 11.00

Tea and Coffee Break

11.00 - 12.00

Networking Meetings

12.00 - 12.30

Recovering from bankruptcy



Theresa Grant
Chief Executive
TBC



Northamptonshire County Council has been the most recent high profile council to hit severe financial difficulties, but they are by they not the only council to have these issues. As the saying goes "It's not how we fall it's how we get back up.

The newly appointed Chief Executive Theresa Grant will talk about how the council is recovering, including the planned move to become a unitary, what it is doing to continue to deliver services whilst ensuring that this doesn't happen again.

12.30 - 13.00

Case Study Presentation

13.00 - 14.00

Networking Lunch

14.00 - 14.30

Developing tools to support organisational GDPR implementation



Katy Deacon
Chief Information
Officer



An outline of the tools developed by Kirklees Council to support Council officers in their adoption of GDPR best practice.

This presentation will outline the approach the Council has taken to ensure all teams are achieving the deliverables established for GDPR adoption and give details of the ways in which the Council is utilising home-made electronic tools to reduce the potential burden on teams.

14.30 - 15.00

Case Study Presentation

15.00 - 15.30

Tea and Coffee Break

15.30 - 16.15

Networking Meetings

16.15 - 16:45

Heading for the Abyss? Local Government Finance and the 'Sustainability' Dilemma



Robin

Tuddenham

Chief Executive

Calderdale
Council

This will address the financial context for local government, the social care paradox, and the risks to democratic legitimacy at the direction we are heading. The 'sustainability' word will be explored in context of Melanie Dawes recent statements, using recent national and international data and stories to convey choices, risks and opportunities.

16.45 - 17.15

Transforming a Council

This will talk about the key building blocks we have put in place to change the way we work in Wirral.



Eric Robinson

Chief Executive

 **WIRRAL**

17.15 - 17:45



Richard Quayle

Programme Director



Using the IoT to transform services, enhance the economy and improve lives

As part of its Digital Allerdale programme, Allerdale Borough Council has launched a pilot Internet of Things network to test how the technology can be used to transform how the Council operates, generate income whilst reducing costs, provide local businesses with a competitive advantage and enhance the quality of life of residents.

The network enables devices to communicate wirelessly over large distances at low cost and without WiFi, Bluetooth or sim cards. The potential opportunities for the district are significant – from enabling the Council to remotely monitor how full litter bins are, visitors being able to locate available parking spaces, through to flood monitoring, or providing family members peace of mind by being able to monitor the environment and well-being of vulnerable loved ones that are alone at home at low cost.

The Council is working with a range of organisations including the Lake District National Park, United Utilities and health partners.

17:45 - 17:55

Chair's Closing Remarks and Finish