



# SURF

## **SURF Awards Shared Learning Workshop**



## **Overcoming barriers to employability**

# Agenda

- 10:00 Registration and networking
- 10:30 Welcome and Introduction: **Euan Leitch**, Chief Executive, SURF
- 10:35 Presentation, DFN Project SEARCH: **Leanne Macdonald** and **Danielle Najahi**, Dundee and Angus College and NHS Tayside
- 10:50 Presentation, Lone Parents, Poverty & Work: **Louise Park** and **Laura Millar**, Fife Gingerbread
- 11:00 Presentation, Family Finances Key Workers: **Marlene Bryceland**, Glasgow Life
- 11:10 Questions and Comments with project representatives
- 11:30 Policy Panel Discussion:
  - **Blyth Deans**, TSEF
  - **Megan Rae**, Scottish Government
- 11.50 SURF Manifesto – Call for feedback: **Euan Leitch**, SURF
- 12:05 Summary, Thanks and What's Next: **Euan Leitch** and **Emma Scott**, Events, Information & Communications Manager, SURF
- 12:15 Close and Networking Lunch



**Questions?**

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# **2026 SURF Manifesto**

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# SURF AWARDS 2025

- Launch on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June**
- Open for applications until 5pm on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September**
- This year the 5 categories will be:
  - **Community Led Regeneration**
  - **Removing Barriers to Employability**
  - **Improving Scotland's Places**
  - **Housing and Regeneration**
  - **Creative Regeneration**
- **Annual Awards Dinner** at the Grand Central Hotel, Glasgow - **Thursday 4th December**



Information will be available on the SURF website at <https://www.surf.scot/surf-awards/>

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# Are you a member of SURF?

- **Reduced membership fee:** SURF membership is **only £50** (plus VAT) for organisations and **only £20** (plus VAT) for community groups and individuals
- A free way to promote your organisation
- Influence decision makers
- Be in the know

Further information on membership benefits and application forms are available at

[www.surf.scot/join-surf/](http://www.surf.scot/join-surf/)

Or alternatively contact Emma Scott directly, [emma@surf.scot](mailto:emma@surf.scot)

# Events

- **SURF Award Shared Learning Workshops**
  - Investing in place-based regeneration – 15<sup>th</sup> May (Glasgow)
  - Creativity in regeneration – 22<sup>nd</sup> May (Glasgow)
- **SURF Awards Launch** – 5<sup>th</sup> June (Online)
- **SURF Annual Conference** – 21<sup>st</sup> August (Paisley)
- **SURF Award Dinner** – 4<sup>th</sup> December (Glasgow)

For further information on these and other SURF event please visit:

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