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# EVH Annual Conference

## Fri 17-19 May 2024

DoubleTree by Hilton Dunblane Hydro



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#Alltogethernow

Our “All Together Now” theme this year will cover the many angles of the topical area of inclusion relevant for both staff and committee and will give food for thought on how this affects you, your organisation and local communities. Our speakers and workshops will challenge your thinking, offer some strategies, give some suggestions and ideas on how to improve and promote inclusiveness within your community and organisation. This conference will give you an opportunity to be with like minded folk from members across Scotland, to learn and gain some knowledge, network and enjoy some great entertainment over the weekend. We do hope that you can join us!

## SPEAKERS

We are delighted to announce  
some of our exciting lineup  
of speakers

### Sharon Brady-Wardrope and Mareta Greig

In their session the Director and Head of Tenant Services from Forth Housing Association will share what an organisation does when working towards compliance with the Scottish Housing Regulator. The focus can be very much on governance, policies and procedures whilst improvement plans are developed and implemented, but what about the people? This session will talk about the individual stories of those involved and affected by the compliance journey at Forth and how they focused on the ‘me’ to ensure that their people were included at the heart of everything they did to improve and achieve compliance.

### Aileen Carson

Career and Workplace Strategy Coach will help you gain a better understanding of neurodiversity, its impact in the workplace, and how to become a neuroinclusive and supportive employer. It will look at what is covered within neurodiversity, why psychological safety is important, what neurodiversity looks like in the workplace, what it means to be inclusive and how to ensure your recruitment processes are inclusive.

### Sarah Davidson

Chief Executive of Carnegie UK will be one of the opening keynote speakers, talking about boosting democratic wellbeing and the work that their organisation has been carrying out on this.

### Professor Vikki McCall and Professor Alison Bowes

From the University of Stirling will cover their research on older people’s and professionals’ perspectives on supportive home design as we experience cognitive change. The presentation will describe the key findings of the research and showcase two evidence-based, tried and tested key outputs, a serious game (Our House) and video walk-throughs of home design that demonstrates cognitively supportive features.

### Martin Polhammer

Chief Executive of East Lothian Housing Association will explore a number of innovative approaches ELHA are taking, with EVH support, to ensure strong recruitment and retention. It will also set out how requirements for Modern Apprentices are identified early, so that when experienced staff retire or leave there are young people trained and ready to fit into the space. ELHA staff also regularly visit local high schools to help create an inclusive atmosphere with the local community and the wider staff team as young people move into the workplace for the first time.

### Jessica Pryce-Jones

Executive Coach, Facilitator and Author will be joining us to discuss bringing your whole self to work, including your intuition. Whether you call them gut feelings, hunches or niggles, intuition plays a part in the decisions you make every day, particularly at work. This session will cover what intuition is – and isn’t, but most importantly how to use it and how to encourage its inclusion in your organisation.

### Mike Stevenson

There are keynote speakers and there is Mike Stevenson – Motivator and High Impact Coach from Thinktastic who will talk about the huge importance of the role of housing association board members given the state of the economy and the fears of ever-increasing homelessness in Scotland. This is a session that you don’t want to miss.



More information on the final remaining speaker slots will follow

## RAFFLE PRIZES Prizes this year on offer so far...

- > Overnight stay with dinner and breakfast for two at DoubleTree by Hilton Glasgow Westerwood Hotel
  - > Overnight stay for 2 at Voco Grand Central
- > Mens aftershave
  - > Ladies Perfume
  - > Slater Menswear vouchers
  - > Voucher for a one-year supply of Irn Bru
- > Mrs Tilly's Hamper
  - > M&S vouchers
  - > Restaurant voucher

## ENTERTAINMENT



### Steven McKenna

He's back, the weekend wouldn't be quite the same if he wasn't there! For those who don't know Steve he's appeared as a host on every major TV channel fronting shows like the Movie Chart Show on Channel 5 and frequently appearing with Lorraine on both ITV and Sky, you may be more familiar with his voice. For 13 years he was the Drivetime host on Real Radio and then for another 4 years on Heart Scotland. He's turned up in everything from video games to movie trailers and regularly features on CBBC. That voice when combined with his wit have led to him presenting radio shows for BBC Radio's 1, 5 and the World Service as well as writing comedy for Radio 2 and Radio 4. Steve (plus surprise guests) will be keeping you entertained the whole weekend.



### Minogue Brothers

The Minogue Brothers are one of the country's liveliest and most reputable groups, renowned for bringing the party wherever they go. Drawing from a pool of talented vocalists and musicians, they have the unique ability to hit the right note on every occasion. With an extensive repertoire of songs to call upon, The Minogues are not only able to satisfy all tastes but guaranteed to keep the dance floor full all night long.





## BOOKING INFORMATION

To book, simply complete the attached booking form and return to [events@evh.org.uk](mailto:events@evh.org.uk)

If you have any questions, please contact our events team; [events@evh.org.uk](mailto:events@evh.org.uk) or 0141 352 7435

## PRICES

We are pleased to be able to offer the same prices as our 2019 conference!

Single - £745 Member, no VAT / £850 +VAT Non- Member

Double/Twin - £645 Member, no VAT / £750 +VAT Non-Member

(Cost for a double is per delegate, based on 2 people sharing)

**This price includes:** All conference sessions over weekend, Lunch – Friday, Saturday & Sunday, Bed & Breakfast – Friday & Saturday night, Drinks reception & Dinner – Friday & Saturday and all refreshment breaks each day.

Please remember to sign the privacy notice when booking.

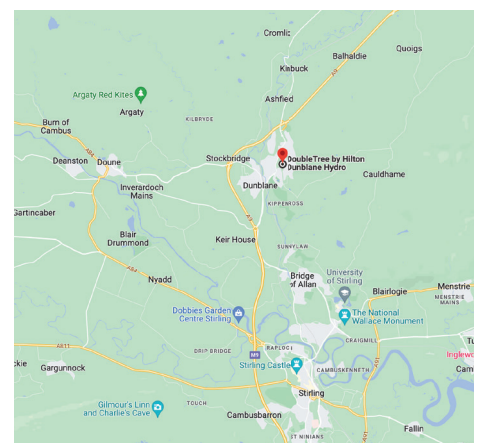
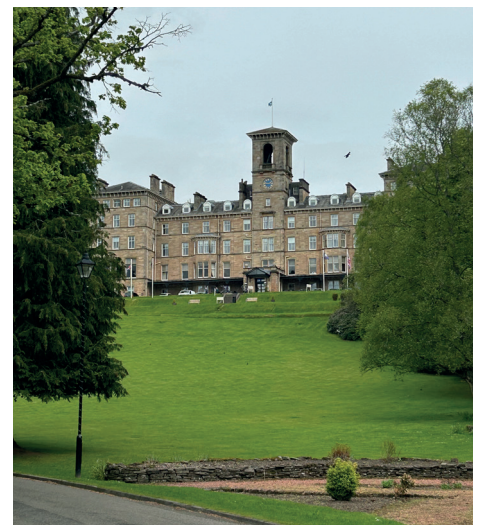
### Saturday Break Time

- > Therapet session
- > Hotel Leisure suite & pool
- > Coach trip to Sterling Mills Outlet, Tillicoultry
- > Walk to Dunblane town/ Cathedral

## VENUE INFO

We return to the beautiful town of Dunblane for our second year as the DoubleTree by Hilton Dunblane Hydro has proved to be more than able to meet our many requirements. The Kailyard Restaurant by Nick Nairn will be providing plenty of hearty Scottish dishes for you to enjoy over the weekend. Dunblane Hydro is an ideal place to hold a conference with all conference rooms being on the one level. All bedrooms are accessible via two lifts (one in Stirling Wing) and there are a limited number of fully wheelchair accessible rooms available, if anyone requires one of these rooms, please contact us directly.

Some of you may already be familiar with Dunblane Hydro and can vouch for its great facilities, but for those of you who are new to it, there will be plenty of hotel and EVH staff on hand to assist you during the conference.



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