



Supporting
Social
Employers

2026

EVH Annual Conference



Location: Glasgow Westerwood Hotel, Cumbernauld

Dates: Thur 29 & Fri 30 October 2026

Format: 2-day conference with dinner & entertainment for the Thursday evening

Agility through Ownership

Speaker: Dr Alison Edgar MBE – Friday 30 October

Alison shares how growing up in Clydebank social housing, living with dyslexia, and becoming a bestselling author and MBE shaped her approach to agility, ownership, and change. Drawing on stories from Yellow Pages, her dad in the shipyards, and "Auntie June," she will show board members and staff how to flip fear of change into practical action.

Delegates will leave with a simple three-part framework – "first day," "best friend," and "your business" thinking – plus tools to manage time, decisions, and mindsets so they can better serve their communities and work together more effectively.



About the Speaker: Dr Alison Edgar MBE

Dr Alison Edgar MBE grew up in a council flat in Clydebank with no formal qualifications, leaving school at 16 for her first job in hospitality – the start of a three-decade career leading and excelling across global organisations. Awarded an MBE in 2020 and an Honorary Doctorate in 2024, she is the author of two international bestsellers and has worked with brands including Amazon, Adobe, British Airways and LVMH. Today Alison helps organisations build The Intrapreneur Mindset – cultures where people take ownership, adapt to change and perform at their best.

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THURSDAY 29 OCT

FRIDAY 30 OCT

WESTERWOOD HOTEL

