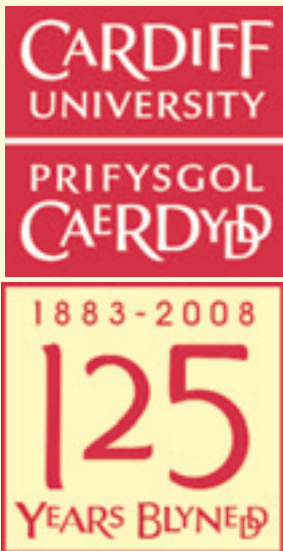


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Future Inn, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff
Conference: 18th April 2008

The Right to Independent Living: the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

9.30am	Registration
10.00am	Welcome from Professor Phil Fennell
10.10am	Professor Gerard Quinn Overview: The UN Convention and Independent Living
10.50am	Jenny Hambidge Independent Living in Wales: A personal experience
11.20am	Coffee
11.40am	Kate Bennett The Equality duty and Independent Living
12.10pm	Sue Bott Centres for Independent living: the story so far
12.35pm	Professor Luke Clements Community Care and Independent Living
1.00pm	Lunch
2.00pm	Camilla Parker Chair The European perspective
2.20pm	Steve Vaughan (CSSIW) The approach of the Inspectorate
2.30pm	Open discussion session with the panel
3.45pm	Final Comments
4.00pm	Close

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Kate Bennett has been the National Director for Wales for the Equality and Human Rights Commission since September 2007. Previously she had been (since 1999) the Director of the Equal Opportunities Commission in Wales. Throughout her career Kate has been actively involved in equalities work. Prior to the EOC, Kate was a full time trade union official, community campaign worker and a research journalist.

Sue Bott is a disabled person from birth, has been active in the disability movement for many years and is currently Director of the National Centre for Independent Living based in London. Previous to that she spent 15 years working for a Centre for Independent Living (Shropshire Disability Consortium) based in a rural area, initially as a development worker and latterly as its Chief Officer.

Luke Clements is a solicitor and Professor Law in Cardiff University Law School and author with Pauline Thompson of Community Care and the Law (4th edition).

Phil Fennell is a Professor Law in Cardiff University Law School. His book on the Mental Health Act 2007 Mental Health: the New Law is published by Jordans.

Jenny Hambidge works for a disabled people's organization in Wales as advocate and counsellor. She has been active in the Disabled Peoples' Movement for many years, and has been a user of Independent Living services almost as long. She is a Disability Equality Trainer and consultant.

Gerard Quinn led the delegation of Rehabilitation International on the UN Working Group (2004) that drafted the main provisions of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. As a member of the Irish Human Rights Commission he co-ordinates the work of human rights commissions worldwide on disability issues. He is a former Vice President of the European Social Rights Committee of the Council of Europe and a former official at the European Commission. He teaches disability law at the National University of Ireland (Galway) and has a child with a disability.

Camilla Parker is an independent legal and policy consultant specialising in mental health, disability and human rights. Camilla is a consultant for 11MILLION (the Office of the Children's Commissioner, England) and was special adviser to the Joint Committee on Human Rights in its recent inquiry "Human Rights and Adults with Learning Disabilities". She is also a consultant for the Open Society Mental Health Initiative which works in Eastern and Central Europe, advocating for the closure of institutions and the development of community based alternatives.

Steve Vaughan (Care and Social Services Inspectorate) joined SSIW in 1998. Recent work has included the 'integration of community equipment', hearing impairment services benchmarking exercise, guidelines on services to deafblind people and work on improving commissioning.

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