

Preamble

The Institute for Social Justice (ISJ) puts partnership and community-based research at the heart of its practice.

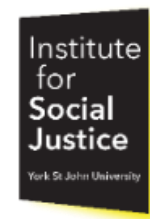
Since 2022 the ISJ has been running its Communities Research Grant (CRG) scheme. Over this period, we have funded a total of 23 projects, investing £200,000 in community-engaged research. Through this work there has been a lot of learning about how collaboration between VCSE organisations and academics at York St John can help enact social justice and social change.

This event offers a space to share the experiences of those who have walked that path. It aims to contribute to wider discussions on how to build better foundations and collaborations between the VCSE and HE sectors.

Community Research in Practice: Bridging Curious & Creative Communities

5 November 2025

Creative Centre, room CC101
York St John University
Lord Mayor's Walk
York, YO31 7EX



Welcome

No lunch, only refreshments will be provided.

Please be aware, except for blue badge holders, there is **no on campus parking for visitors** without prior arrangement. Public parking can be found at Union Street Car Park.

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Event Schedule

12:30 Arrivals

13:00 Welcome and Introduction

Matthew Reason, ISJ-YSJ University
Chris Hailey-Norris, Up for Yorkshire

13:20 Partnership and Collaboration

Megan Bailey, Bolshee
Hanif Malik, Give a Gift
Mojisola Kareem, Utopia Theatre
Tom Dobson, YSJ University

Discussion (20 mins)

14:05 Break

14:35 Research and Curiosity

Jack Woodhams, Menfulness
Su Morgan, Tadcrafters
Ruth Knight, YSJ University

Discussion (20 mins)

15:20 Break

15:30 Panel discussion: Research into Action

Owen Powell, YSJ University
Natasha Almond, Good Organisation
Speaker TBC
Matthew Reason, ISJ-YSJ University

Discussion (20 mins)

16:25 Closing

16:30 Ends
