

# Fuse Quarterly Research Meeting

*Empowering communities and mobilising resident  
knowledge to tackle health inequalities*

11 January 2018, 9.30am - 1.00pm, The Core, Newcastle University



Public health approaches that support residents to have greater control over decisions affecting where they live are important for tackling health inequalities. Such approaches draw on local knowledge to identify the issues that matter most to communities. They can also help reduce obstacles to good health through collaborations between communities and practitioners around the social determinants of health. For example, by taking action to improve the built environment and social relationships, or challenge negative area images.

This event will discuss learning from the NIHR School for Public Health Research (SPHR) funded *Communities in Control* study, an evaluation of the Lottery funded programme, *Big Local*, where residents of 150 areas in England have each been allocated £1million to make their neighbourhoods even better places to live. What can the *Big Local* programme and others like it do to reduce health inequalities and to what extent do public health and local government actions reflect these?

The event is also an opportunity to hear about support available to practitioners through Public Health England's programme of work on community-centred approaches for health and wellbeing.

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