09:30  DELEGATE REGISTRATION AND EXHIBITION VIEWING

09:30  WELCOME AND ICEBREAKER
Geraldine Howley, group chief executive, Incommunities
What is your ideal home and what does it represent? Geraldine Howley welcomes you, and the unique perspective and energy that you bring to the big conversation 2018!

09:45  OUR HORIZON: WHAT’S IN STORE?
Gavin Smart, deputy chief executive, Chartered Institute of Housing
Gavin will provide an overview of the most pressing policy issues affecting our sector and CIH’s views on where we should go from here.

10:05  OUR HORIZON: PANEL DISCUSSION
Gavin Smart, deputy chief executive, Chartered Institute of Housing
Jim Strang, chief executive, Parkhead Housing Association and vice president of CIH
Penny Gilyard, executive director of resources, Kirklees Neighbourhood Housing
Gavin will be joined by two other senior leaders for a question and answer session.

10:30  REFRESHMENTS

10:45  BREAKOUT SESSIONS: PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND CONFIDENCE
Choose between:
• Using drama skills to promote your best self and to build your professional network - Steve Halliday, actor (credits include I, Daniel Blake).
• Using social media to promote your personal brand - Joel Sampson, sales manager, Resource.
• Using art to cope with adversity and build confidence in our lives - David Tovey, artist and homelessness activist.

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11:30  IN THE FISHBOWL: MY CAREER STORY
An informal and participative session in which a selection of housing professionals take questions about their housing careers.

12:15  LUNCH
Including viewing of a Nigel Tooby art installation on homelessness. Nigel is currently Artist in Residence for Simon on the Streets, a charity which supports rough sleepers.

13:15  ‘UNCONFERENCE’ SESSIONS
A chance to discuss issues suggested by conference attendees in small groups. There is no pre-planned agenda for these discussions, come prepared to talk about whatever you like with like-minded professionals.

14:15  PEER MENTORING EXCHANGE
Trevor Smith, GEM programme director
Share your unique experience and expertise with colleagues who need your help.... and take your chance to receive their help too.

15:00  REFRESHMENTS

15:15  THE VITAL ROLE OF HOUSING IN TACKLING DOMESTIC ABUSE
Jim Strang, chief executive, Parkhead Housing Association and vice president of CIH
Kelly Henderson, co-founder, Domestic Abuse Housing Alliance
Jim will discuss why he has chosen tackling domestic abuse as the theme for his upcoming presidential year and Kelly will talk about the ways in which front line housing staff can support efforts to tackle abuse in their communities.

15:45  CALL TO ACTION
David Tovey
Charlotte Senior, GEM Programme Cohort 9
Jessica Quinn, GEM Programme Cohort 10
Gavin will provide an overview of the most pressing policy issues affecting our sector and CIH’s views

16:30  NETWORKING DRINKS