

Funeral Poverty Conference



*Norton Park Conference Centre, Edinburgh
Wednesday 16 November 2016*

The Scottish Government is hosting a national conference to bring together people who want to act to reduce funeral poverty and to have a say in shaping the new Scottish benefit that will replace DWP's Funeral Payment once powers transfer to Scottish Ministers.

- **Chair** – John Birrell – Chair of the Scottish Working Group on Funeral Poverty and author of Funeral Poverty in Scotland – A review for the Scottish Government
- **Key note speech** - Angela Constance, Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities.
- **Other speakers** – Fraser Sutherland – Citizens Advice Scotland,

Funeral Poverty:

The conference is part of a programme of engagement being held over the autumn, to look at what can be done to tackle funeral poverty. We will be mapping out what the need is for different groups of people and identifying practical actions from different sectors that can help.

Funeral Payment:

We will be discussing responses to Section 9 of the [Scottish Government Consultation on Social Security](#), on the funeral payment. While discussions at the conference will be fed into the consultation report, you should submit responses to the consultation before it closes on 28 October.

To book a place please email julie.dunk@iccm-uk.com by Friday 4 November

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