

# Programme

## Getting to grips with ESG – growing knowledge of the new Sustainability Reporting Standard Wednesday 26 May 2021

With environmental, social and governance (ESG) reporting becoming increasingly important for the social housing sector, this workshop will help organisations understand why it matters and how to find and capture relevant data.

According to Homes England, there is an “increasingly significant” focus on the need to demonstrate Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) data to secure the necessary investment for affordable housing development.

Large social housing investment funders are introducing progressively stricter impact criteria on their affordable housing funding streams, meaning that there is greater pressure on registered providers to evidence performance in this area.

In response, the sector has worked with financial institutions and The Good Economy to create a new Sustainability Reporting Standard, published last November, to help organisations report on their ESG performance in a ‘transparent, consistent and comparable way’.

### **10:00 Welcome and introductions**

**10:15** Introductions to ESG  
**Barry Malki, Director of Communities, Socialsquared**

**10:45** Why ESG is critical to Social Housing  
**Barry Malki, Director of Communities, Socialsquared**

### **11:15 Break**

**11:25** The Sustainability Reporting Standard for Social Housing (The Good Economy’s White Paper)  
**Andy Smith, Head of Housing Impact Services, The Good Economy**

**11:55** What tools are available for ESG measurement/Reporting  
**Barry Malki, Director of Communities, Socialsquared**

### **12:20 Q&A**

### **12:30 Close**