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1st Annual Tenant Panel Conference

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In conjunction with:





### Continuous learning and development



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#### Welcome!

We are going to look at the value of different ways to continue your development:

- Keeping yourself up to date with latest hot topics
- Networking & good practice research
- Mentoring or other independent support
- Coaching



## What training and support have you received?



### Keeping up with the changes...

- Significant changes happening in housing
- What information is your landlord providing? How often? How?
- Good sources of information:
  - Websites e.g. <u>www.tenantadvisor.net</u>;
     <u>www.insidehousing.co.uk</u>;
     <u>www.tenantservicesauthority.org</u>;
     <u>www.communities.gov.uk</u>;
  - Magazines e.g. Inside Housing weekly
  - Conferences and workshops



### **Networking & good practice**

- Conferences and workshops swap contact details
- Membership of networks e.g. Scrutiny and Empowerment Partnership Network
- Visit other landlords and their tenants identify who you want to talk to via:
  - Audit Commission website inspection reports and positive practices <a href="http://www.audit-commission.gov.uk/housing/goodpractice/pages/default.aspx">http://www.audit-commission.gov.uk/housing/goodpractice/pages/default.aspx</a>
  - Housing News daily news bulletins www.housingnews.co.uk
  - Award winners
  - HouseMark benchmarking information



### Mentoring & other independent advice

- Even the most experienced scrutiny tenants/panels have some form of external, objective support
- Mentors give advice and guidance based on their experience – can be 'professionals' or other tenants
- Independent expert witnesses



### Coaching

- Different to mentoring as it:
  - Helps to unlock a person's potential to maximise their own performance
  - –Coach helps build self awareness, self belief and responsibility
- Different models of coaching e.g. GROW model



#### **GROW** model

- <u>Goals</u> what immediate and longer term goals do you have?
- <u>Reality</u> what is your current situation?
   Opportunities and challenges?
- Options what would help you to achieve your goals?
- <u>Way forward</u> what are the next steps?
   And when will they take action?



#### **Coaching club**

- Person to be coached
- A 'buddy'
- Coach Levin!
- Audience interaction follow the coach's lead



### Thanks for listening & participating - any questions?



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