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2023 Conference

**Exploring the way ahead for
Public Engagement at Warwick**



Who are WIE?

We are the University of Warwick's Institutional Hub for engagement, with the strategic objectives to:

- Recognise and champion the importance of engagement and collaboration with national and regional publics and community partners
- Develop, support, celebrate and reward excellent engagement and collaborative practice
- Build capacity for Warwick staff and students to deliver compelling and effective public engagement activities
- Create the right opportunities for engagement and collaboration by leading a continual programme of public engagement and collaborative events with our partners on and off campus
- Deliver the University's strategy through engagement with key communities
- Challenge Warwick to be recognised regionally, nationally and internationally for its engagement



What are our objectives today?

- **Showcase** best practice engagement, collaboration and co-production
- **Explore** new ideas together
- **Develop** ourselves as engagers and collaborators
- **Discuss** the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead in the field of engagement, but also in relation to the University's strategic goals and to the needs and interests of our community partners
- **Celebrate** the difference we have already made together



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The difference we have already made

- Enabling engagers across the University to have a community and a communal voice:
 - **155 Staff and Regional Fellows working across 12 Learning Circles alongside a core team of 10.**
- Enabling staff and students to engage better:
 - **Over 1500 staff & 1000 students trained.**
- Building Public Engagement as an important part of the Warwick student experience:
 - **IATL UG Module, Public Engagement as part of URSS, Public Engagement Module Development Fund.**
- Empowering staff to build and strengthen collaborations with community partners:
 - **The Collaboration and Co-Production Fund: 14 projects working with 18 partner organisations, 11 artists and over 890 people.**
- Recognising and rewarding great engagement by all staff and students:
 - **Promotion criteria review + support workshops; WAPCE Awards**
- Creating the Resonate Public events programme on campus and in the community:
 - **21-22: 150 events attended by 12000 people, involving 200 staff and 100 students, 80 artists and 60 regional organisations.**
 - **22-23: So far over 4000 attendees across 39 events working with 26 regional organisations + the University's first WOW award.**

Warwick's Partnerships with Grapevine

Claire Whiteman - CEO,
Grapevine/ WIE Regional Fellow

Professor Jackie Hodgson -
School of Law/Deputy Pro-Vice
Chancellor Research

Gemma Wright - Head of
Creative Learning at Warwick
Arts Centre

