Theatre – enquiring into people power and politics

'Resilience', the current project by theatre group Active Inquiry, is holding a big event at Out of the Blue on Saturday 11th October. Everyone is welcome to come and support this unique experiment in participatory policy-making! The event is free and will include theatre, food and music but booking is essential.

Speaking of 'Resilience' Gavin Crichton, Artistic Director of ACTive INquiry, said: 'We live in difficult economic times. Many community organisations are expected to do more with less resources and have to focus on surviving everyday. How can we enable these organisations to be able to become more resilient and thrive?

"We live in difficult political times. Although a lot of language focuses on community empowerment and involving communities in decisions that affect them, this is often not seen in communities. How can communities be supported to take more control of their own assets and the decisions that affect them?

"Over the past year Active Inquiry has been working with community organisations in Edinburgh to carry out research into the above questions. This event on 11th October will see the culmination of this research in the form of a piece of Legislative Theatre."

Legislative Theatre originated in South America and enables an audience to use a piece of theatre to propose and vote on new policy and laws. How can Edinburgh Council support communities and community organisations to become more resilient and thrive?'

As well as the Legislative Theatre event there will also be

food from World Kitchen and performances from local artists and choirs.

Further details are available at the theatre's website <u>here</u> and there is a Facebook event <u>here</u>

When: Saturday 11th October 2014 Time: 4-9pm Where: The Out of the Blue Drill Hall, 36 Dalmeny Street, Edinburgh, EH6 8RG Cost: Free! (although donations will be appreciated!)

For catering reasons it is essential that people book for this event. Please register and book tickets at resiliencetickets.eventbrite.co.uk Alternatively you can email <u>gavin@activeinquiry.co.uk</u> with your name and how many tickets you would like.

Please let them know if you have any diet or access requirements and they will do their best to meet these. A crèche will be provided but booking for this is essential.