

**Useful information:**

Venue: The Nucleus Building, Chesterford Research Park, Little Chesterford, Saffron Walden, CB10 1XL

Tel: 01799 532 252 <http://www.chesterfordresearchpark.com>

For directions to the venue visit:

[www.chesterfordresearchpark.com/about-the-park/getting-here/](http://www.chesterfordresearchpark.com/about-the-park/getting-here/)

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**Notes:**



# Future-Proofing Garden Towns Through Digital

Chesterford Research Park

14th December 2018

09.30 to 12.45

Speaker Information and Timetable



09.00 Coffee, registration and networking  
 09.30 Chair's welcome - Councillor Alan Lion, Chair of the Digital Innovation Zone  
 09.35 Introduction to Chesterford Research Park - Rupert Dando, Savills  
 09.40 Introducing the DIZ and the opportunities of garden communities - John Houston, One Epping Forest and Claire Hamilton, Harlow & Gilston Garden Town  
 09.55 Digital health and care challenges and opportunities in garden communities - Michael Meredith, Princess Alexandra Hospital NHS Trust  
 10.10 Digitally enabling economic success in garden communities - Rick Robinson, Arup  
 10.25 Securing the digital infrastructure for digital excellence in garden communities - Adrian Wooster, Gigaclear  
 10.40 Coffee  
 11.00 NESTA - A presentation on the ShareTown project – Jenni Lloyd, NESTA  
 11.15 Workshops - Digital health and care; Built environment; Housing, transport and infrastructure; and, Supporting vibrant economies  
 12.00 Plenary  
 12.10 Closing remarks - Councillor Howard Rolfe, Leader, Uttlesford District Council  
 12.15 - 12.45 Coffee and networking in the breakout area

## Our speakers

**John Houston - One Epping Forest:** John is lead officer of One Epping Forest which is driving the Digital Innovation Zone project. One Epping Forest is focused on 'delivering services better together'. John also heads up economic development at Epping Forest District Council.

John has worked for six local authorities in the UK and has held senior management posts in local government and partnership organisations for over twenty years. He is currently on the governing boards of a local secondary school and New City College as well as being a trustee of Harlow Health Centres Trust.



**Claire Hamilton - Harlow & Gilston Garden Town:** Claire is the Director of the Harlow & Gilston Garden Town Project and is responsible for the delivery of 23,000 homes, associated infrastructure and innovative employment space across three District Councils and two County Councils.

Claire has a background in strategic housing and town centre regeneration and most recently worked at Basildon Council where she was Head of Regeneration. Her current challenge is to develop sustainable travel and transport proposals for the garden town which will radically change the way people move about and get to schools, shops, leisure and places of work.



**Michael Meredith - Princess Alexandra Hospital NHS Trust:** Michael is responsible for developing the Trust's strategy which includes how to deliver the best possible services to the local population.

Michael led a technology development group at the University of Oxford and has developed commercial and strategic healthcare services for a wide range of commissioners and providers across the UK and beyond. Michael is passionate about high quality care delivered by a caring and compassionate workforce to everyone that needs it.

**Rick Robinson - Arup :** Rick is the Leader of Arup's Digital Property and Cities business. He advises cities, infrastructure operators, property developers and investors on the use of technology to increase value and improve performance.

Previously, he was Director of Technology for Amey, where he was responsible for driving advances in digital technology into public services and infrastructure that are used by about one in four people in the UK every day.



**Adrian Wooster - Gigaclear:** Adrian is a broadband strategist with over 20 years experience with a special focus on Next Generation Access (NGA) broadband strategy, and the future shape of the Internet.

Having worked with public, private and community sector clients including alternative operators, local and national governments he now heads up the Strategy function within Gigaclear Networks, the wholesale and infrastructure side of the UK's largest rural broadband specialist.

**Jenni Lloyd - NESTA:** Jenni Lloyd works within Nesta's Government Innovation team where she is responsible for ShareLab - a grant funding programme that tests how collaborative digital platforms can be used to deliver social impact. Alongside her colleagues she is also designing a new programme to explore how new operating models can be used across public and private domains to support the emergence of innovative ways in which citizens' needs can be met. Prior to Nesta, Jenni was a director of a democratically-run consultancy helping corporations, charities and government departments develop the new processes and practices required to operate successfully in a digital world.

