

# Loneliness & Ageing: A Public Health Issue

6 December 2016

Clayton Hotel, 22 Ormeau Avenue  
Belfast

## Agenda

09:30	Registration Tea and coffee
10:00	Introduction & Welcome <i>Professor Gerard Leavey, Bamford Centre for Mental Health and Well Being – Ulster University</i>
10:05	Loneliness, social isolation and social exclusion: the differences and does it really matter? <i>Professor Brian Lawler, Trinity University Dublin</i>
10:45	Health and loneliness in later life <i>Professor Vanessa Burholt, Swansea University</i>
11: 25	Discussion
11:40	Refreshment Break
12:00	Campaigning to End Loneliness: learning from research and practice <i>Kellie Payne, Campaigning to End Loneliness</i>  A national response to loneliness and improving the health and wellbeing of older and vulnerable adults in Ireland <i>Sean Moynihan, ALONE</i>  Loneliness in later life - public health responses <i>Siobhan Sweeney, Public Health Agency (NI)</i>
12:45	Discussion
13:00	Response <i>Mr Eddie Lynch - Commissioner for Older People for Northern Ireland</i>
13:10	Closing remarks <i>Professor Roger O'Sullivan Institute of Public Health in Ireland</i>
13.15	Lunch