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## **BAMFORD COMMUNITY SOCIETY PRESS RELEASE**

### **WANT TO SAVE YOUR LOCAL? HEAD TO THE PEAK DISTRICT!**

#### **Community pubs conference hosted by team that saved the Anglers Rest in Bamford**

On 14<sup>th</sup> March around 60 people from across the UK will be heading to the Bamford Institute, Main Road, Bamford, S33 ODY, to hear first-hand how residents successfully took on the challenge of raising the funds and buying the last remaining pub in the village, saving it from housing development. The aim of the event is to help other communities to do the same.

In conjunction with the national rural community enterprise organisation, Plunkett Foundation, the event will offer workshops on subjects such as raising funds through community shares, tenancy agreements and recruiting staff, all designed to help communities navigate the process of buying and running their local.

Event organiser Sally Soady said: "We are delighted to be working with Plunkett Foundation to bring this event to Bamford. The Anglers Rest is now at the heart of the Bamford community and we have plenty of experience to help make the process much easier for others."

Donna Smith from Plunkett Foundation said: "Bamford was a natural choice for this event. The community really pulled together to create something unique and we hope that, through this event, others will have the confidence to do the same."

Anyone wishing to book onto the event can do so via: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/co-operative-pubs-networking-event-tickets-15438569176>

#### **Notes to Editors:**

Bamford Community Society was formed in August 2012 after the last remaining pub in Bamford, the Anglers Rest, was placed at risk of closure. The Society raised funds from over 300 local people via a community share offer and, in October 2013, purchased the Anglers Rest. The site now hosts the Anglers Pub, The Rest Cafe and the village Post Office. The Anglers Rest is open from 8am – 11pm and serves hot and cold food and drinks throughout the day. The Society also operates a monthly Farmers Market, and offers secure cycle parking, accessible toilets, wifi and disabled parking on site.

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The Plunkett Foundation is the centre of expertise for rural communities across the UK looking to take control of the issues affecting them. Plunkett helps communities to set up enterprises in predominantly rural areas that are owned and led by those communities. They also support existing rural community enterprises by providing a range of support services including:

- Helping rural communities across the UK to set up and run community-owned shops and establish a wide range of other community-owned rural services such as co-operative pubs
- Promoting and supporting the development of community food and farming enterprises
- Advocating and raising awareness amongst policy makers, support organisations and rural communities themselves of the ability of rural communities to take control through community-ownership of the issues affecting them.

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