

Co-Building Opportunities- Growing Space, Recovery, Education and Capability: bridging the interpretive gap.

Saturday, 26th February 2022

10am-1pm. John Hume Building.

ALL Institute & Dept of Adult & Community
Education joint Addiction Studies/ Psychology
Seminar:

Timetable

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| 10.00 – 10.30 | Registrations, Tea & Coffee: John Hume Building |
| 10.30 – 10.40 | Welcome Dr Derek Barter |
| 10.40 - 12.00 | Dr Mark Richardson, Nicola Vaile Plus Guests Growing Space: The story of a Recovery Community |
| 12.15 - 12.45 | Response Panel Discussion Q & A |

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The event had speakers from Growing Space in Wales, Mark Richardson, Nicola Vaile as well as 2 other members of Growing Space and Mary Ryan, Head of Adult and Community Education in Maynooth University and a member of the Recovery Academy of Ireland.

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