



Bangor University Civil Society Research

Researchers from the *Wales Institute of Social & Economic Research, Data & Methods* (WISERD) based at Bangor University are in Overton studying participation in community life.

The research is part of a larger project across Wales examining 'Civil Society'. Research has already identified that patterns of participation and association in Wales are changing but it is uncertain how these changes are affecting communities and the people in them. The aim of the Bangor team's research is to explore patterns of growth and decline, what this might mean for people in local areas, and across Wales as a whole.

The researchers have spent the past year looking at civil participation in the village of Rhosllanerchrugog but are now focusing on Overton as a geographically close but contrasting community. Over the coming months they would like to find out more about how people associate and participate in community life in Overton through a mixture of surveys, observations and in-depth interviews with key individuals.

If you are interested in taking part in the research or have any questions, you can contact David Dallimore – d.j.dallimore@bangor.ac.uk. Or for more information the project has a website at <http://www.wiserd.ac.uk/research/civil-society/>