

Join us for focus groups in Exeter on Thursday 17th May 2018 to ensure our new 'how to do it' book for churches will reflect current needs of trans people and their loved ones.

Focussing on the next transgender pastoral care book

A new transgender practical guide for churches

To complete the trilogy which began with *This is my body: hearing the theology of transgender Christians'* (DLT 2016), edited by Christina (Tina) Beardsley & Michelle O'Brien, and continued with *Transfaith: a transgender pastoral resource*, by Chris Dowd and Tina, with Justin Tanis, published this spring, Tina and Chris are now preparing a very practical, and research-based 'how to do it' book for churches about making Christian communities safe and welcoming for trans people and their loved ones. It will be published by Jessica Kingsley.

The Focus Groups in Exeter – Thursday 17th May 2018

Tina and Chris invite you to help us to ensure that the new book's advice and guidance is thoroughly grounded in the reality of trans people's lives and the experience of their significant others. Chris will be facilitating both workshops which are an opportunity for you to share your experience and your suggestions for best practice.

10:30am-11:30am	Focus Group for trans people
12:00 noon-13:00pm	Focus group for the partners and families of trans people
13:10pm	Light lunch (meat/fish/veggie – NB please let Tina know if you require a Vegan or Gluten free meal)

Venue: Northcote House on the University of Exeter's Streatham campus (building 12 on the campus map at <https://www.exeter.ac.uk/visit/directions/streathammap/areaamap/>), in the Council Chamber. **NB: Please gather at the main University reception** (marked with a red R in a circle on the campus map), from where Dr Susannah Cornwall will guide you to the Council Chamber which is nearby but not so easy to find.

There is very limited car parking on campus. Directions via public transport, and info about car parking, is at <https://www.exeter.ac.uk/visit/directions/streatham/>

For further information or to book a place (and state dietary requirements), please contact Tina on belgravetina@gmail.com