

# EMPTY SHOPS SYMPOSIUM

17 NOVEMBER 2009

1:00PM – 4:00PM

**METHODIST HALL,  
FISHER STREET,  
CARLISLE**



# EMPTY SHOPS SYMPOSIUM


Carlisle is set to host an Empty Shops Symposium instigated collaboratively between the Cumbria Network and Freerange Artists, brought together by artist Caroline Dalton, instigator of the Arcade project in Carlisle. Recently Caroline attended the first ever national Empty Shops conference hosted in Worthing by The Empty Shops Network, and she has brought lots of information back with her, but also she has invited guests including planners, councillors and speakers including Dougald Hine from Space Makers and Paul Kingsnorth author of 'Real England' to join in the conversation; aiming to steer a wider debate about the use of empty spaces and their connection to the wider campaign to defend the distinctive character of our town centres.

There are a lot of initiatives popping up throughout Cumbria related to using empty spaces including Devonshire Arcade in Penrith, new spaces in Whitehaven, and ongoing progress in Carlisle. There are also a lot of issues - this event will look at information sharing and gaining knowledge about negotiating the redundant space.

Free Event Open to all -

but please book through the Cumbria Network.

<http://www.thecumbrianetwork.co.uk/empty-shops-symposium>

Freerange Artists 



thecumbrianetwork 