

[BRILLIANT: The Heathside story: Appreciative Inquiry in whole school transformation](#)

by Glyn Willoughby and Neil Samuels

Soon to be available on Amazon, the book can be found now at the publisher's site (Kingsham Press)

<http://kingshampress.com/viewtitle.php?value=KG322>

The book details the process used at Heathside to engage nearly the entire student body in creating a different future for their school. For more information email: neil@profoundconversations.com

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What people are saying about "Brilliant":

"I couldn't put this book down! Risk, passion, human tragedy, ingenuity, leadership, measurable outcomes and plain old "seizing the moment" - are just some of what Glyn and Neil share. It is a "must read" for anyone who wonders whether Appreciative Inquiry can achieve real results in environments characterized by minimal resources, almost no time, and a constant flow of unexpected challenges. The level of detail and practical innovation makes this book of great value for novice and experienced practitioners and teachers alike."

- Bernard J Mohr, Co-Founder, Innovation Partners International and co-author of the best selling book "Appreciative Inquiry: Change at the Speed of Imagination": Jossey-Bass/Pfeiffer

"What a spectacular achievement! This book gives the who, what, why, when, where, and how of using Appreciative Inquiry in Schools. 'Brilliant' well deserves the title. It is a practical guide for bringing strength focused approaches to schools and communities."

- Dr. Marjorie Schiller , PhD: Board Chair and Founding President-Positive Change Core

"It is tremendously exciting to see Glyn Willoughby and Neil Samuels living account of this whole school change process. The collection of stories allows multiple voices to be heard, and makes a valuable contribution to our understanding of appreciative inquiry in action."

- Dr Paul Tosey: School of Management:University of Surrey

"Nothing is as compelling as a good story and Glyn Willoughby and

Neil Samuels have an excellent story to tell. It is rare that theory and practice are combined into such good effect as in this account of a journey through school improvement to becoming an innovative and highly regarded centre of learning. This is an authentic story with the voices of the participants providing important insights as to how a systematic and integrated approach can enrich leadership, learning and achievement."

- John West-Burnham Professor of Educational Leadership, St Mary University College, London.

"This book is a wonderful testament to positive, relational working - Glyn and Neil brought their best skills to helping students, teachers, staff and governors in Heathside develop an image of the their future and then live it. Everyone at Heathside got involved, experienced a new way of working with each other, and achieved more than they thought they could. Even the School Inspectorate was impressed!"

- Anne Radford, organisational consultant and editor, AI Practitioner www.aipractitioner.com