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The immigrant war
A global movement against discrimination and exploitation
Vittorio Longhi

“Longhi expertly combines scholarly analysis with sharp reporting, drawing on his detailed knowledge of the global labour movement and trade union activism. The material is admirably well-organized and well-assembled. I know of no other book like this.” Matt Carr, journalist

“An extraordinary account in its up-front questioning of how our states and societies construct the immigrant and erase the memory of our own migrant origins. This book shows us how laws have become blunt instruments for bland evasions of our obligations.” Saskia Sassen, Columbia University, author of Territory, Authority, Rights

The abuse of Asian workers in the oil-rich Gulf countries, the trafficking of undocumented latinos at the US border, the exploitation of AfricanSans papiers in France and the attacks on Sub-Saharan farmhands by the mob in Italy. All these events show how migrants, especially those without legal documents, can be an easy target for violence and discrimination, often with impunity. At least, until they decide to fight back.

In this original, accessible book, Vittorio Longhi, a journalist who specialises in international labour matters, describes an emerging phenomenon of social conflict, in which migrants are not conceived as passive victims of exploitation. Instead they are portrayed as conscious, vital social actors who are determined to organise and claim better rights.

With a global perspective, The immigrant war highlights the ‘struggle for human rights, citizenship and equality’, in the context of a policy vacuum within the international community towards migration. He demonstrates how these emerging conflicts can break the chain of exploitation and contribute to rethinking failing migration policies and the role of migrants in contemporary societies.

The book will be of interest to labour and migration specialists, students of social sciences, trade unionists and human rights activists, as well as a general readership interested in migration.

Contents: Introduction: The war against immigrants; In the Persian Gulf; In the United States; In France; In Italy; Rethinking migration.
Evaluation for the real world
The impact of evidence in policy making
Colin Palfrey, Paul Thomas and Ceri Phillips, Swansea University

“This book provides a critical and long overdue analysis of the contribution of decades of evaluation research to policy making. The text is concise, comprehensive, objective and eminently readable.” Philip Jacobs, University of Alberta and the Institute of Health Economics, Canada

Evaluation research findings should be a key element of the policy making process, yet in reality they are often disregarded. This valuable book examines the development of evaluation and its impact on public policy by analysing evaluation frameworks and criteria which are available when evaluating public policies and services. It further examines the nature of evidence and its use and non-use by decision-makers and assesses the work of influential academics in the USA and UK in the context of evaluation and policy making. The book emphasises the ‘real world’ of decision-makers in the public sector and recognises how political demands and economic pressures can affect the decisions of those who commission evaluation research while providing recommendations for policymakers on adopting a different approach to evaluation. This is essential reading for undergraduate and postgraduate students of policy analysis and public sector management, and those who are involved in the planning and evaluation of public policies and services.

Religion and faith-based welfare
From wellbeing to ways of being
Rana Jawad, University of Bath

This original book makes a timely and potentially controversial contribution both to the teaching of social policy and the wider debates surrounding it in Britain today. It offers a critical and theoretically-sensitive overview of the role of religious values, actors and institutions in the development of state and non-state social welfare provision in Britain, combining historical discussion of the relationship between religion and social policy in Britain with a comparative theoretical discussion that covers continental Europe and North America.

Grounded in new empirical research on religious welfare organisations from the nine major faiths in the UK, the book brings together all of these perspectives to argue for an analytical shift in the definition of wellbeing through a new concept called ‘ways of being’. This reflects the moral, ideological and cultural underpinnings of social welfare. Written in a readable style, the book will appeal to students and tutors of social policy, as well as policy-makers seeking to inform themselves about the key issues surrounding faith-based welfare in modern Britain.

Major thinkers in welfare
Contemporary issues in historical perspective
Vic George, University of Kent

“A major contribution to the welfare literature.” International Journal of Social Welfare

“This is a very good book indeed... clear, detailed and interesting, excellently free from jargon and convoluted prose, and a pleasure to read.” Journal of Social Policy

This is the first book to examine the views of a number of theorists from ancient times to the 19th century on a range of welfare issues: wealth, poverty and inequality; slavery; gender issues, and the family; child rearing and education; crime and punishment; the role of government in society; the strengths and weaknesses of government provision vis-à-vis market provision. The book also looks at the values of the various theorists as well as their perception of human nature for these tend to underpin their welfare views. The book makes essential reading for students of social policy, gender issues, community care, social work, and sociology.

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Gypsies and Travellers
Empowerment and inclusion in British society
Edited by Joanna Richardson, De Montfort University and Andrew Ryder, freelance consultant
“This is a timely collection on a topic of important political and policy concern in Britain, which has in practice received little coverage in academic analysis.” Pete Alcock, University of Birmingham
As the furore surrounding the eviction at Dale Farm in the UK in 2011 has died down, the very pressing issues of accommodation need, inequality of access to education, healthcare and employment, and exclusion from British (and European) society is still very much evident.

This topical book examines and debates a range of themes facing Gypsies and Travellers in British society, including health, social policy, employment and education. It also looks at the dilemmas faced in representing disadvantaged minority groups in media and political discourse, theories on power, control and justice and the impact of European initiatives on inclusion.

With a foreword by Lord Avebury, Gypsies and Travellers: Empowerment and inclusion in British society will be of interest to students, academics, policy makers, practitioners, those working in the media, police, education and health services, and to Gypsies and Travellers themselves.

Towards a social investment welfare state?
Ideas, policies and challenges
Edited by Nathalie Morel, Institute for Futures Studies, Sweden, Bruno Palier, Centre d’études européennes, SciencesPo, France and Joakim Palme, Institute for Future Studies, Sweden
“...The authoritative reference on welfare state reform for years to come... a must-read for any serious social policy course.” Gesta Esping-Andersen, Universitat Pompeu Fabra
This book questions whether the recently promoted European ‘social investment’ strategy is able to regenerate the welfare state, promote social inclusion, create more and better jobs, and help address the challenges posed by the economic crisis, globalisation, ageing and climate change. To assess the diversity, achievements, shortcomings and potentials of social investment policies, it brings together some of the best social policy scholars and well-known policy experts, connecting academic and policy debates around the future of the welfare state.

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Poverty and insecurity
Life in low-pay, no-pay Britain
Tracy Shildrick, Robert MacDonald and Colin Webster, Leeds Metropolitan University and Kayleigh Garthwaite, Durham University
How do men and women get by in times and places where opportunities for standard employment have drastically reduced? Are we witnessing the growth of a new class, the ‘Precariat’, where people exist without predictability or security in their lives? What effects do flexible and insecure forms of work have on material and psychological well-being?

This book is the first of its kind to examine the relationship between social exclusion, poverty and the labour market. It challenges long-standing and dominant myths about ‘the workless’ and ‘the poor’, by exploring close-up the lived realities of life in low-pay, no-pay Britain. Work may be ‘the best route out of poverty’ sometimes but for many people getting a job can be just a turn in the cycle of recurrent poverty – and of long-term churning between low-skilled ‘poor work’ and unemployment. Based on unique qualitative, life-history research with a “hard-to-reach group” of younger and older people, men and women, the book shows how poverty and insecurity have now become the defining features of working life for many.

From transmitted deprivation to social exclusion
Policy, poverty, and parenting
John Welchman, Lancaster University
“A thorough and fascinating study of the history of poverty and policy from the mid-twentieth century to the early twenty-first.... enormously valuable to a range of potential readers.” Twentieth Century British History
The book explores the content and background to Sir Keith Joseph’s famous ‘cycle of deprivation’ speech in 1972. It then examines New Labour’s approach to child poverty, initiatives such as Sure Start, the influence of research on inter-generational continuities, and its new stance on social exclusion. The author argues that similarities between current policy approaches to child poverty and earlier debates are now more striking than ever before.

With an updated foreword, From transmitted deprivation to social exclusion is the only book-length treatment of this important but neglected strand of the history of social policy. It will be of interest to students and researchers working on contemporary history, social policy, political science, public policy, sociology, and public health.

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Environmental policy and sustainable development in China

Environmental policy and sustainable development in China

Hong Kong in global context

Paul G. Harris, Hong Kong Institute of Education

“Internationally renowned for his expertise in China and sustainable development, Paul Harris has written another marvellous book... Environmental policy and sustainable development in China is written primarily for undergraduate students, but its relevance ranges far and wide. Not to be missed.”
Andrew Dobson, University of Keele

Drawing on practices and theories of sustainability, Environmental policy and sustainable development in China explores the prospects for achieving environmentally benign economic and social development in China and beyond. Using the Chinese ‘world city’ of Hong Kong as a backdrop and case study, it introduces major conceptions of sustainability, describes historical and political contexts for environmental policymaking, and analyses key challenges related to sustainable development, including air pollution, water quality, waste, transport and climate change. The book will be a valuable and unique resource for students, teachers and readers interested in environmental policy, sustainable development and ecological governance, especially in China and Hong Kong.

All of the author’s royalties from sales of this book will be donated by The Policy Press to Friends of the Earth (Hong Kong) and WWF (Hong Kong).

Contents: Introduction; Part I: Conceptions of sustainable development: Conceptualizing sustainable development: Origins and critiques of sustainable development; Implementing sustainable development; Part II: Contexts for sustainable development in China’s World City: Geography and population; History and development; Government institutions and policy priorities; Consumption and a city’s environmental footprint; Part III: Challenges of sustainable development: Air; Water; Energy and climate change; Transport; Environmental spaces; Conclusion.

Faith-based organisations and exclusion in European cities

Edited by Justin Beaumont, University of Groningen and Paul Cloke, University of Exeter

At a time of heightened neoliberal globalisation and crisis, welfare state retrenchment and European controversies over immigration, this timely book explores the growing role played by faith-based organisations (FBOs) in European social services. The contributions to the volume present a pan-European perspective to assess the role of FBOs in combating poverty, exclusion and social distress in cities across Europe. This significant and highly topical volume will make essential reading for students and academics in a range of areas.

Benchmarking Muslim well-being in Europe

Reducing disparities and polarizations

Pamela Irving Jackson, Rhode Island College and Peter Doerschler, Bloomsburg University

This highly topical book aims to undermine unsubstantiated myths by examining Muslim integration in Germany, France, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom, states which dominate the debate on minority integration and the practice of Muslim religious traditions. The authors find that in some areas Muslims are in fact more integrated than popularly assumed and suggest that Muslims find their access to integration blocked in ways that reduce their life chances in the societies in which they live.

The book will have an impact on research and policy especially with the commencement of the EU-wide integration benchmarking effort and will be an excellent resource for researchers, academics and policy makers.

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Children, risk and safety on the internet
Kids online in comparative perspective

Edited by Sonia Livingstone, Leslie Haddon and Anke Görzig, University College, London

“The EU Kids Online project is the most theoretically informed and methodologically sophisticated study we have on the issue of risks in the new electronic environment. This book is rich in details and insights that greatly advance our understanding.”

David Finkelhor, Crimes against Children Research Center, University of New Hampshire

As internet use is extending to younger children, there is an increasing need for research focus on the risks young users are experiencing, as well as the opportunities, and how they should cope. With expert contributions from diverse disciplines and a uniquely cross-national breadth, this timely book examines the prospect of enhanced opportunities for learning, creativity and communication set against the fear of cyberbullying, pornography and invaded privacy by both strangers and peers. Based on an impressive in-depth survey of 25,000 children carried out by the EU Kids Online network, it offers wholly new findings that extend previous research and counter both the optimistic and the pessimistic hype. It argues that, in the main, children are gaining the digital skills, coping strategies and social support they need to navigate this fast-changing terrain. But it also identifies the struggles they encounter, pinpointing those for whom harm can follow from risky online encounters.

Each chapter presents new findings and analyses to inform both researchers and students in the social sciences and policy makers in government, industry or child welfare who are working to enhance children's digital experiences.

Exploring concepts of child well-being
Implications for children's services

Nick Axford, Dartington Social Research Unit

“Axford has succeeded in providing research that will better equip staff to make assessments with finesse and formulate strategies to suit.”

Adoption & Fostering

This book investigates the main approaches to conceptualising child well-being, applies them using household survey and agency audit data, then considers the implications for children’s services. The author provides a clear conceptual understanding of five perspectives on well-being and demonstrates their value. With a new preface for the paperback edition, this book should be read by everyone involved in developing, implementing and evaluating children’s services.

Childcare markets
Can they deliver an equitable service?

Edited by Eva Lloyd and Helen Penn, University of East London

“In this fascinating book, a group of distinguished scholars provide incisive analyses of market-based child care around the world. They convey child care for what it is – both a service to parents and a major determinant of children’s development and future life course. An informative must-read for both scholars and policymakers.”

Edward Zigler, Edward Zigler Center in Child Development and Social Policy, Yale University

The viability, quality and sustainability of publicly supported early childhood education and care services is a lively issue in many countries. But equitable provision within childcare markets is highly problematic, as parents pay for what they can afford and parental income inequalities persist or widen.

This highly topical book presents recent, significant research from eight nations where childcare markets are the norm. It also includes research about ‘raw’ and ‘emerging’ childcare markets operating with a minimum of government intervention, mostly in low income countries or post transition economies. Childcare markets compares these childcare marketisation and regulatory processes across the political and economic systems in which they are embedded. Contributions from economists, childcare policy specialists and educationalists address the question of what constraints need to be in place if childcare markets are to deliver an equitable service.

Youth participation in Europe
Beyond discourses, practices and realities

Edited by Patricia Loncle, National School of Public Health, Morena Cuconato, Virginie Muniglia and Andreas Walther, Institute for Regional Innovation and Social Research

In a period where social unrest coincides with young people’s dissatisfaction with formal political involvement, and the diversification of protest movements across the globe, the question of youth participation is at the forefront of democratic societies.

This timely book offers a fresh look at youth participation: examining official and unofficial constructions of participation by young people in a range of socio-political domains, exploring the motivations and rationales underlying official attempts to increase participation among young people, and offering a critique of their effectiveness. Based on original research data, Youth participation in Europe provides a thorough analysis of participation initiatives at the implementation level and gives a transversal approach to various areas of youth participation.

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Adolescent-to-parent abuse
Current understandings in research, policy and practice
Amanda Holt, University of Portsmouth

While much has been written about the problematical behaviour of young people and their families, there has been silence on the problem of young people behaving abusively towards their parents. This is the first academic book to combine international research and practice literature with original research to critique current understandings in research, policy and practice. It also outlines how policymakers and practitioners can usefully respond to the problem. Written in an accessible style, this unique book is an essential tool for academics, policymakers and professionals.

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A revolution in family policy
Where we should go from here
Clem Henricson, University of East Anglia

“A brilliant analysis of ‘family policies’ under New Labour, and of how they could and should be developed in the future.” Alan Deacon, University of Leeds

New Labour had a momentous impact on British family policy. It aimed to reduce poverty, improve child outcomes, break the cycle of deprivation and deliver social cohesion. In this timely book, Henricson asks whether these aspirations were met, or were indeed realisable, and formulates radical proposals for the future. She assesses whether the philosophy of social betterment was appropriate, or was it simply asking too much? The book will stimulate debate in the development of family policy, and is critical reading for social policy analysts.

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Transitions to parenthood in Europe
A comparative life course perspective
Edited by Ann Nilsen, University of Bergen, Julia Brannen, Institute of Education, University of London and Suzan Lewis, Middlesex University Business School

“A subtle and multi-layered understanding of the transition to parenthood within a cross-national comparative framework...heartily recommended.” David Morgan, Morgan Centre for the Study of Relationships and Personal Life, University of Manchester

This book takes a life course perspective to examine the ways in which working parents negotiate the transition to parenthood and attempt to find a ‘work-life balance’. It locates working parents’ real lives within diverse national, workplace and family contexts, providing insights into how policies and practices at the institutional level play out in real lives. Transitions to parenthood in Europe will be of interest to an academic readership, as well as employers, managers, trade unions and policy makers.

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Care in everyday life
An ethic of care in practice
Marian Barnes, University of Brighton

“This text is significant in both its timeliness and scope. In exploring the concept of care in everyday settings it makes a major contribution to current debates about care ethics.” Joan Orme, Glasgow School of Social Work

Care has been struggled for, resisted and celebrated. The failure to care in ‘care services’ has been seen as a human rights problem and evidence of malaise in contemporary society. But care has also been implicated in the oppression of disabled people and demoted in favour of choice in health and social care services.

In this bold, wide ranging book Marian Barnes argues for care as an essential value in private lives and public policies. She considers the importance of care to well-being and social justice and applies insights from feminist care ethics to care work, and care within personal relationships. She also looks at stranger relationships, how we relate to the places in which we live, and the way in which public deliberation about social policy takes place. This book will be vital reading for all those wanting to apply relational understandings of humanity to social policy and practice.

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From exclusion to inclusion in old age
A global challenge
Edited by Thomas Scharf, National University of Ireland, Galway and Norah C. Keating, University of Alberta

“This is an important book for students, policy makers and practitioners in the ageing and social policy fields because it provides essential theoretical and empirical insights into a critical issue for the well-being of older people. It is highly recommended.” Alan Walker, University of Sheffield

Evidence of widening inequalities in later life raises concerns about the ways in which older adults might experience forms of social exclusion, as all societies come to terms with the ageing of their populations. Taking a broad international perspective, this highly topical book casts light on patterns and processes that either place groups of older adults at risk of exclusion or are conducive to their inclusion.

In From exclusion to inclusion in old age, leading international experts present new evidence of the interplay between social institutions, policy processes, personal resources and the contexts within which ageing individuals live to show how this shapes inclusion or exclusion in later life. Dealing with topics such as globalisation, age discrimination and human rights, intergenerational relationships, poverty, and migration, the book is essential reading for anyone interested in ageing issues.

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Active citizens and innovation on the frontline
Edited by Jan Walmsley, London South Bank University and The Open University, Celia Davies, The Open University, Mike Hales, independent consultant and Ray Flux, Civil Eyes Development Ltd
For years the NHS has been the most trusted of public institutions and the envy of many around the world. But today there is turmoil. Questions of quality, safety and costs, painful shortcomings in clinical care and patient experience, and funding cuts, threaten to dig deep into service levels and standards. This is a book for those giving and receiving care in these turbulent times. Voices from service users and service providers offer testimony of what goes wrong and what can be put right when working together becomes the norm. 5 sections explore new ways of living and working with long-term conditions, more meaningful and effective approaches to service redesign, leadership, co-production and creating and accounting for quality. Accessible to a wide range of readers, this is a book to inspire and refresh for our times the collective compact that created public services in the 1940s.

Towards the emancipation of patients
Patients’ experiences and the patient movement
Charlotte Williamson, Board of Trustees, Picker Institute
"...Definitely a must read for anyone interested in the quality of healthcare." Laszlo Iglali, Royal College of Pathologists Bulletin
This book, by a leading patient activist, examines for the first time how the patient movement can actually be considered an emancipation movement. The author argues that radical patient groups and individual activists who repeatedly challenge or oppose some standards when led by its radical elements. The author argues that radical patient groups and individual activists who repeatedly challenge or oppose some standards. People-centred public health involves understanding the experience of patients, from an emancipatory perspective, drawing on a major study of lay engagement in public health, and using case studies and real life examples, this timely book provides a comprehensive and accessible overview of policy, practice and research in this area. In an economic and political climate where there is renewed interest in the role of the citizen, the authors challenge old orthodoxies in public health and build a coherent argument for radical change in the way public agencies support lay action. The book is aimed at readers with an academic or professional interest in public health and/or community involvement, including practitioners and managers within public services and the voluntary sector, and postgraduate and undergraduate students studying public health, health promotion, public sector management, social policy and community work.

Work, health and wellbeing
The challenges of managing health at work
Edited by Sarah Vickerstaff, University of Kent, Chris Phillipson and Ross Wilkie, Keele University
"This book works very well as a collection of different perspectives on health in the workplace. It offers a wide range of material that is scholarly and written by people with expertise in their areas of interest." Chris Yuill, Robert Gordon University
The relationship between health and work is widely recognised as complex and multifaceted. In the context of an ageing population our ability to enable people with health issues to continue working is becoming more critical. This multi-disciplinary volume brings together original research from diverse disciplinary backgrounds investigating how we can define and operationalise a bio-psychosocial model of ill-health to improve work participation in middle and later life.
Building the client’s relational base

A multi-disciplinary handbook

Mark Furlong, Deakin University, Australia

“Mark Furlong has written a valuable sourcebook that will appeal to a wide range of practitioners who are seeking a new, yet rigorous, approach to their work with clients. It draws creatively on theories of individualism, isolation, inequality and exclusion to make a strong case for practice that supports clients to build new relationships and strengthen existing ones.”

Rona Woodward, University of Stirling

The central concern of the book is to describe practical actions that can be taken by any professional committed to strengthening the relational base of their clients – an agenda that is supported by coherently woven insights from critical theory and social epidemiology. Written in a compelling style and brought to life with more than twenty case vignettes, this original, practical and rich resource offers practitioners with their clients as relational beings rather than independent units, whatever the presenting problem might be.

The book includes chapters explaining consultancy, on preparing bids, on negotiations and on the importance of assessment and review which are geared towards the needs of those working in public and third sectors, either as or with consultants. It includes a glossary, abbreviations, helpful contacts and websites which are valuable for quick reference and to aid further understanding.

Contents:
Introduction; The Anchor Points; Isolation and its accomplishments; Painting ourselves into the picture: Questioning professional norms; Attitudes determine practice; Relationship Building Skills; Learning to act well relationally. Being an agent of cultural change.

Social work on trial

The Colwell Inquiry and the state of welfare

Ian Butler, University of Bath and Mark Drakeford, University of Wales, Cardiff

“What an admirable book. The painstaking, heartbreaking detail of what happened to one little girl, set against the impersonal backdrop of theory and practice of social work in the early 1970s is so moving. Somehow the authors have managed to successfully tell a coherent story and still convey all the muddle and confusion and lack of communication that went on.”

Wendy Janes, voluntary sector worker

The public inquiry that followed the death of Maria Colwell had profound implications for the developing profession and practice of social work in the UK. This book describes the politics, professional concerns and public interest – both local and national – that surrounded the inquiry and its aftermath, and shows how the concerns of this landmark child abuse case have still failed to find a satisfactory resolution today. Social work, then and now, remains ‘on trial’.

The paperback edition includes a new Afterword by the authors bringing the work up to date.

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Youth and community empowerment in Europe
International perspectives

Peter Evans, formerly Senior Analyst, OECD/ERI now independent consultant and Angelika Krüger, International Academy (INA) gGmbH at the Freie Universität Berlin

“A must read for advocates, policy planners and program developers.” Phyllis Magrab, Georgetown University

The current economic crisis leaves many disadvantaged young people with ever-diminishing opportunities. Violent youth protests in many countries have been widely reported and different approaches called for.

Youth and community empowerment in Europe provides the theoretical context for Youth Empowerment Partnership Programme (YEPP), an international programme focused on empowering young people and their communities in disadvantaged areas in eight European countries. It gives international programme focused on empowering young people and their communities in disadvantaged areas in eight European countries. It gives.

This accessible and challenging book is essential reading for students and practitioners and policy makers.

Mixed communities
Gentrification by stealth?

Gary Bridge, University of Bristol, Tim Butler and Loretta Lees, King’s College London

“This collection is the definitive analysis of today’s urban policy paradox: a friendly language of community and inclusion used to justify policies that threaten exactly what they name – social mix and diversity.” Elvin Wyly, Chair of Urban Studies Programme, University of British Columbia

Encouraging neighbourhood social mix has been a major goal of urban policy and planning in a number of different countries. This book draws together a range of case studies by international experts to assess the impacts of social mix policies and the degree to which they might represent gentrification by stealth.

The contributions consider the range of social mix initiatives in different countries across the globe and their relationship to wider social, economic and urban change. The book combines understandings of social mix from the perspectives of researchers, policy makers and planners and the residents of the communities themselves. Mixed communities also draws out more general lessons from these international comparisons – theoretically, empirically and for urban policy. It is highly relevant for urban researchers and students, policy makers and practitioners alike.

Neighbourhood planning
Communities, networks and governance

Nick Gallent, University College London and Steve Robinson, Allerdale District Council

“...Essential reading for anyone who wants a critical understanding of the background and issues posed by the new planning system.” Vincent Goodstadt, University of Manchester

Neighbourhood planning offers a critical analysis of community-based planning activity in England, framed within a broader view of collaborative rationality and its limits. From the recent experience of drawing up parish plans, and attempts to connect these to formal policy frameworks, it identifies lessons for future planning at the neighbourhood scale. It is not a manual on community planning practice, and nor does it provide a formula for producing parish or neighbourhood plans. But in the context of the latest ‘localism’ agenda in England, it examines, firstly, the potential contribution of neighbourhood planning to building a ‘collaborative democracy’ and secondly, asks how much movement towards genuine local partnership, and consensus around development decisions, can be achieved through the recasting of ‘statutory’ planning as opposed to expending greater effort locally on building stronger relationships, and generating trust, between ‘people and planning’.

For youth workers and youth work
Speaking out for a better future

Doug Nicholls, The Community and Youth Workers’ Union

“Doug Nicholls’ message – the need for a new youth work for a new century – is sometimes polemical, often provocative, invariably partisan and always passionate. But it is principled, and it is essential that we reflect carefully on his words.” Howard Williamson, University of Glamorgan

Doug Nicholls, a professional and trade union leader of youth workers for over thirty years, identifies what youth workers have achieved and which major changes must take place if their practice is to keep up with the radically altered world. The book distils the author’s unique and extensive experience to look at the political and economic contexts, and the new disorder of inequality. Against these he sets the ideas of youth work and public services and the struggles for them. He argues for a new self-awareness amongst youth workers on class, professionalism, trade unionism, socialism and the state. He redefines reflective practice, leadership and completely debunks the idea of positive activities as a diversion from political education.

This accessible and challenging book is essential reading for students and practitioners and policy makers.
Risk and rehabilitation
Management and treatment of substance misuse and mental health problems in the criminal justice system
Edited by Aaron Pycroft, University of Portsmouth and Suzie Clift, University of Greenwich

Substance misuse (including alcohol) and mental health problems constitute much of the work carried out in the criminal justice system. Approaches to these problems have seen the rise of a dominant risk paradigm concerned with public protection and the use of coercion through court orders to access treatment. This original and valuable book considers notions of risk and rehabilitation in detail within the practice of those court orders, whilst contextualising them within a wider comparative literature and research base. The efficacy of these approaches, practice issues and innovations are analysed and the implications for partnership working and the importance of reconfiguring the nature of rehabilitative relationships are discussed. This is a timely book as probation practice moves into a post ‘what works’ era, providing opportunities to review the evidence base for effective interventions.

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