

COMMUNITIES AND PARTICIPATION



Welcome from Dr Sally Lloyd-Evans
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OUR AIM

School of Archaeology, Geography and Environmental Science



University of Reading

WORKING BETTER WITH WHITLEY


Exploring the everyday transport needs and experiences of local communities in South Reading



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Whitley Big Local
A millions pounds for Whitley





OUR RESEARCH

Community Development

- Action research
- Social justice
- Community researchers

Participatory Methodologies

- Methods & ethics
- Dissemination
- Impact

Harnessing Enthusiasm

- Citizen science
- Motivations
- Natural and cultural heritage



WORKSHOP TIMETABLE

Time	Activity
10.00-10.15	Welcome & Introduction
10.15-11.30	Stories, reflections and discussion: voices of experience
11.30-12.00	Coffee/tea break
12.00-12.30	Achieving change and transformation: voices of experience
12.30-13.30	Lunch and a walk and talk
13.30-14.30	Workshop discussions
14.30-15.00	Coffee/tea break
15.00-15.45	Workshop discussions
15.45-16.15	Closing remarks

In the spirit of community and participation: it is your day too so we've built in plenty of room for discussion and adopting new ideas!

STORIES, REFLECTIONS, DISCUSSION

- Kye Askins (University of Glasgow)
- Julie Doyle (University of Brighton)
- Rachel Pain (Durham University)

- Questions and discussion

- Followed after coffee by practitioner and community reflections

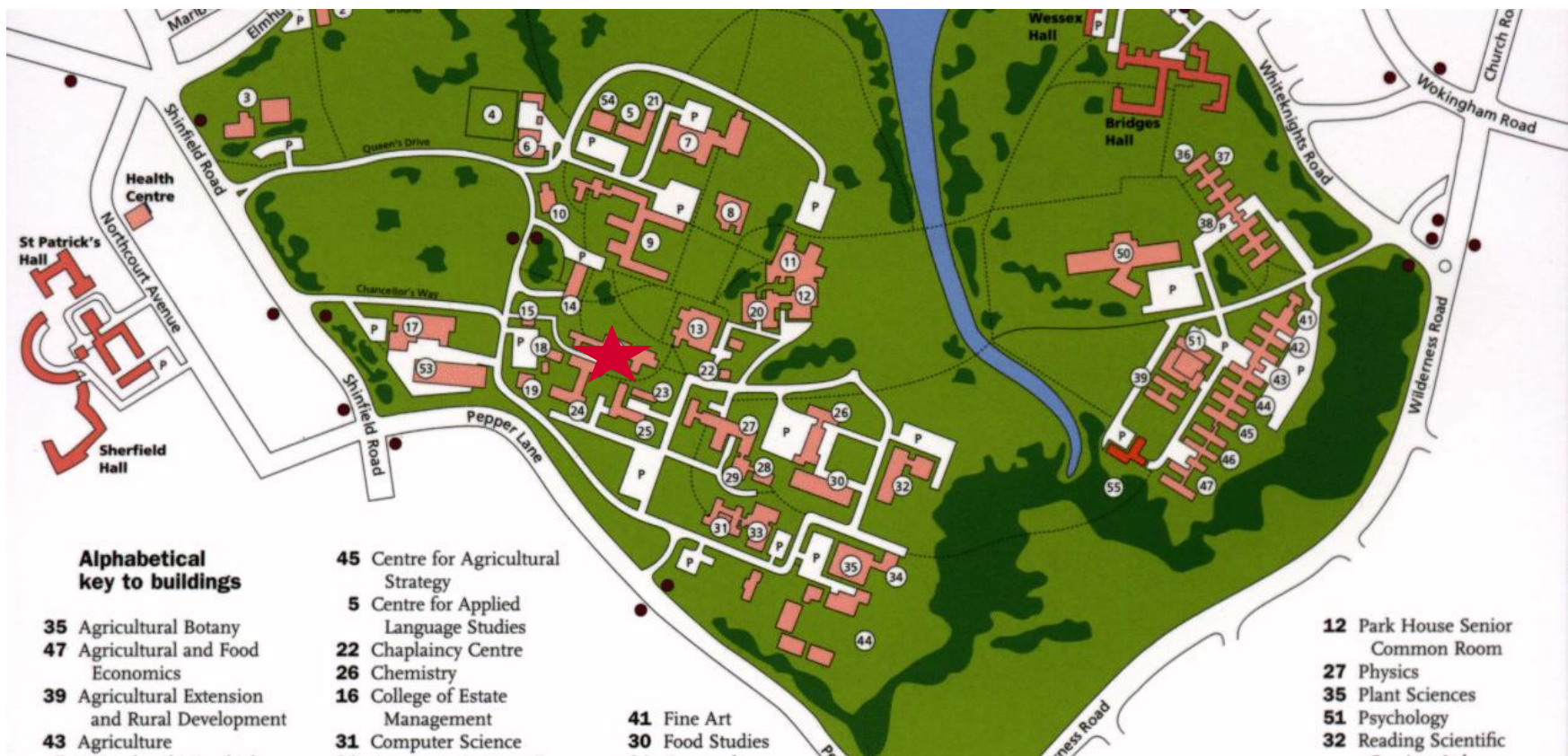
ACHIEVING CHANGE AND TRANSFORMATION

- Responses from community members and practitioners
- Identifying themes for this afternoon

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION

1. Practicalities of collaboration
2. Practicalities of collaboration
3. Making a difference
4. Taking participation seriously
5. Building an ethic of care
6. SCALING – up, down, out, across...

LUNCH, WALK & TALK





PARTICIPATION LAB

1. To co-produce knowledge with communities and practitioners;
2. To establish a research training programme designed with NGOs, communities and public bodies;
3. To build capacity within and beyond the University of Reading.

PARTICIPATION LAB: ORIGINS

- **University of Reading**
 - Long-term interest in and commitment to participation
 - Exciting changes in the institutional research landscape
- **Human Geography Research Cluster**
 - Staff working with communities in global North and South
 - Researchers in community, care, participation and justice
 - Interdisciplinary links with colleagues in Global Development, Heritage & Creativity, Environment, Food and Health
- **Desire** to cement and build on our reputation
- **Dedication** to work with and learn from others and build capacity
- **Determination** to co-produce knowledge for social change



Participation Lab

Co-producing knowledge for social change

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Welcome to the Participation Lab!

Posted on April 28, 2016 by deathinthefamilyinsenegal

Welcome to the Participation Lab!

This innovative initiative, led by core members of the Human Geography Research Cluster, Ruth Evans, Hilary Geoghegan and Sally Lloyd-Evans, aims to co-produce knowledge with communities and practitioners, establish a research training programme designed with NGOs, communities and public bodies and build capacity within and beyond the University of Reading.

If you're interested in participatory action research, community development, citizen science and achieving social change and transformation, check out our events and

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WHAT CAN THE LAB OFFER?

- **A hub of people** interested in participatory techniques, action research, citizen science approaches and ‘impact’ for social change
- **Resources**, eg. research reports, briefings, toolkits, videos & more
- Sustained **partnerships and collaborations** with practitioners, community members, students and researchers
- Annual **workshop**, meetings and other events
- Tailored **social research methods training**
- **Interdisciplinary links** to other academics and researchers @ Reading
- **Network of organisations and universities** engaging in innovative participatory approaches

WHAT NEXT?

- Identifying linked organisations and practitioners, student representatives and colleagues with mutual interests;
- Bringing together our Participation Lab Steering Group;
- Securing funds for a two year programme of work;
- Hosting our inaugural mixer and First Annual Workshop tomorrow

WHAT NEXT FOR YOU?

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