

Scottish Centre for Research on
SOCIAL JUSTICE



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SUMMARY

The Scottish Centre for Research on Social Justice (SCRSJ) was established in January 2002, with the assistance of a Research Development Grant (RDG) from the Scottish Higher Education Funding Council (SHEFC). The Centre's mission is *to promote better understanding of, and more informed debate about, the nature of social justice in Scotland, particularly in relation to public policy.*

This Annual Report describes and discusses progress made against the Centre's objectives between November 2003 and October 2004. These objectives were defined at the outset as:

- 1) Developing a critical mass of quality research capacity and other resources focussed on social justice in Scotland.

In pursuit of this objective we have been successful in identifying research themes, questions and data sources, most notably through our influential work on developing a new index of multiple deprivation and also by working with voluntary and statutory agencies on a range of projects to define issues, research questions and methodologies. We have also substantially increased research capacity through new staff appointments, increased numbers of research associates and the development of an enlarged social justice research group in the Department of Urban Studies at Glasgow. Teaching activity on social justice themes has also increased at both under- and post-graduate levels.

- 2) Enhancing the evidence-base by providing substantive research findings for Scotland, including relevant comparisons with other parts of the UK and Europe

The Centre's research in the past year has focussed on five previously elucidated research themes focussing on how resource inequalities, social and cultural groupings, the roles of different participants and distributional principles, public policy through the life course, and place are implicated both individually and interactively in social (in)justice. The Centre's research has focussed on these five themes within an understanding of the twin origins of social injustice in poverty and in the diversity of status and power of different social and cultural groups. A total of 14 research projects (including five externally funded) were taken forward in the course of the year. These projects are detailed in Appendix 5.

- 3) Contributing to the establishment of a new research-led policy community for Scotland that has implications for other sub-national governments.

The Centre's main approaches in seeking to lead debate about the research required to support public policy on social justice are: dissemination of relevant research findings through publications and events; development of new fora and forms of debate; and promotion of debate about methods for measuring, and approaches to understanding, social justice and injustice. Each of these approaches has been successfully deployed in the past year, e.g. through the organisation of two

conferences and one seminar (Appendix 4), in-house and external publication of research findings as well as presentations arising from Centre work to other conferences and seminars (Appendix 7), and success in obtaining ESRC funding for a forthcoming ground-breaking seminar series on Social Justice and Public Policy.

The report also reviews the challenges faced by the Centre, in particular our pursuit of sustainability within the coming 12-18 months. Three key aspects of our funding strategy for moving from dependence on our initial pump-priming SHEFC research grant to sustainability are: securing external grants and contracts, seeking to integrate the Centre into host institutions, and creating a distinctive identity. We have made significant progress with each of these over the past year.

Hence, in our third year of operation, and in the face of some unanticipated additional challenges as well as the need to achieve financial sustainability within the next year, the Centre has made substantial progress with its objectives and has met or exceeded, the majority of the targets set for the first three years of operation.

INTRODUCTION

The Scottish Centre for Research on Social Justice (SCRSJ) was established in January 2002, with the assistance of a Research Development Grant (RDG) from the Scottish Higher Education Funding Council (SHEFC). It is now nearing the end of its third year of RDG funding. The Centre's mission is *to promote better understanding of, and more informed debate about, the nature of social justice in Scotland, particularly in relation to public policy.*

This Annual Report describes the Centre's activities and discusses progress made towards meeting its key objectives between November 2003 and October 2004. Highlights of the year were:

- the Centre's innovative work on area deprivation;
- collaboration with the policy community in funding new research projects;
- expansion of the number of researchers working on social justice themes;
- introduction of an undergraduate option in social justice and public policy;
- launch of SCRSJ working papers and publication of papers and reports;
- seeing evidence of Centre work having an impact on policymakers; and
- securing ESRC funding, in collaboration with others, for a seminar series *Social Justice and Public Policy.*

The Centre's main objectives were defined at the outset as:

- 1) developing a critical mass of quality research capacity and other resources focussed on social justice in Scotland;
- 2) enhancing the evidence-base by providing substantive research findings for Scotland, including relevant comparisons with other parts of the UK and Europe; and
- 3) contributing to the establishment of a new research-led policy community for Scotland that has implications for other sub-national governments.

In the third year of the Centre's life these objectives remain relevant. However, given the need to achieve financial sustainability on termination of the period of RDG funding within the coming 12-18 months, they have been pursued with a particular emphasis on:

- 1) securing funding for research projects;
- 2) promoting debate about the research implications of a policy commitment to social justice;
- 3) seeking to integrate the Centre into the host universities; and ,
- 4) creating a distinctive identity for the Centre.

In the following sections we firstly outline and discuss the work programme and achievements of the Centre against the three original objectives before briefly reviewing the challenges faced by the Centre and our responses to these in pursuit of sustainability. Further details of our activities are given in the Appendices.

BUILDING RESEARCH CAPACITY

The Centre's first objective is to develop a critical mass of quality research capacity and other resources focussed on social justice in Scotland.

The Centre's contribution to developing research capacity and resources falls broadly into two areas:

1) Identifying research themes, questions and data sources

The Centre's research programme is pursued partly because of the substantive insights it provides on issues of social justice (see next section and Appendix 5) but also because it can lead and promote debate about the *topics* and *types* of research required for illuminating social justice and public policy. For example, work on area deprivation and on developing a new index of multiple deprivation has been influenced by, and is in turn influencing, the policy community and other researchers' approaches to such issues.

Quantitative data will increasingly be available on area and individual deprivation arising from the recommendations of the project on *Measuring Deprivation in Scotland* carried out for the Scottish Executive in the first two years of the Centre's life. However, recent and current research has revealed other gaps in the data available, for example on discrimination, and steps are being taken to address or highlight them

We have also, through projects such *Serving Children?*, *Deprivation and Social Exclusion in Argyll and Bute*, and *Lessons for Community Planning from thematic SIPs*, worked with voluntary and statutory agencies to define issues, research questions and methodologies, drawing on insights from social justice theories about the factors implicated in social injustice.

2) Developing staff and research capacity

An important role for the Centre is in extending the number and expertise of staff engaged in social justice related research and expanding research capacity in other ways. One measure of this is the expanding number of Centre associates (listed in Appendix 2) and collaborators. In addition, at Glasgow, the number of researchers working on social justice themes has grown over the last 12 months:

- Drs Mark Livingston and Daniela Sime were appointed to research fellowships on projects funded by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, and The Big Lottery, respectively.
- Dr Rosie Day will take up a research fellowship in January 2005 following the departure of Rebekah Sterling to a prestigious PhD scholarship at the University of California (Los Angeles) in September 2004, and the appointment in March 2004 of senior researcher, Nick Bailey, to a senior lectureship in the Department of Urban Studies.. Nick Bailey continues as a member of the Centre.

In addition, as the result of a review of research strengths and groups during 2003/2004, an enlarged social justice research group has been created in the Department of Urban Studies. The research group, one of three in the Department, currently comprises 13 people who seek to undertake research on the broad themes and issues identified by the Centre.

Centre staff are supervising seven PhD projects and several masters level projects are supervised each year. A new under-graduate honours option '*social justice and public policy*' has been introduced in Glasgow in the academic year 2004/2005 in the degree in public policy. This is introducing students to theories and methods of analysing public policy from a social justice perspective. A similar course at post-graduate level is under consideration as part of a new teaching initiative to create a Masters in public policy.

Building of research capacity is also illustrated by the collaborative style of our work with public and voluntary sector agencies such as local authorities, Communities Scotland and Save the Children.

RESEARCH THEMES AND PROJECTS

The Centre's second objective is to extend the evidence-base by providing substantive research findings for Scotland, including relevant comparisons with other parts of the UK and Europe.

As outlined in our second annual report, the Centre has elaborated five themes around which to contribute conceptual and empirical insights to the understanding of social justice in Scotland and elsewhere. The themes are:

- 1) To investigate how *inequalities* of resources stemming from people's relationship to the labour market, income and wealth impinge unjustly on life chances in other spheres;
- 2) To investigate how social injustice can arise from differences of status, power and resources amongst diverse *social and cultural groups* within society;
- 3) To understand *the roles of different participants* and *distributional principles* in the distribution of goods and burdens by key institutions of society (such as families, voluntary associations, firms, and public services);
- 4) To examine how *public policy* is implicated in social justice for different groups *throughout the life course*; and
- 5) To explore how the characteristics of *different types of place*, wherever they are within the rural-urban hierarchy, are implicated in social injustice.

In the twelve months reported on here, the Centre's research has focussed on these five themes within an understanding of the twin origins of social injustice in poverty and in the diversity of status and power of different social and cultural groups. Research projects are outlined in Appendix 5 and are listed here in Table 1 with reference to the themes to which they contribute.

Theme 1, on the impact of *inequalities* of material resources on life chances, was explored in a number of projects that show the close associations between poverty and other forms of disadvantage. Examples are projects on the minimum wage, patterns of social injustice, satisfaction with public services, and transitions into and out of work. The study of deprivation and social exclusion in Argyll and Bute for the community planning partnership illustrated this with reference, for example, to the hopes and fears of young people with low levels of educational attainment, the difficulties faced by poorer older people and the challenges faced by parents and their disabled children in small towns and in remote areas.

Theme 2, on how social injustice can arise from differences of status, power and resources amongst diverse *social and cultural groups* within society, is a key focus in the Centre's work, particularly qualitative work, as for example in the project examining the role of the voluntary sector in supporting refugees and asylum seekers; and in the study of children and young people as users of services.

Theme 3, about *the roles of participants* and *distributional principles*, revealed obstacles and tensions in implementing public policy on participation and equalities. For example a paper on community involvement in area-based initiatives (drawing on work reported in the previous annual report) demonstrated confusion amongst policy makers and practitioners about the purpose of participation, and obstacles to securing the involvement of particular groups such as disabled people, young people and women. Such issues are also being explored in, for example, the project concerned with community governance in urban and rural partnerships; and in a project funded by Communities Scotland to identify lessons from thematic social inclusion partnerships (focussed on groups such as young people) for community planning.

Table 1: Contribution of research projects to key themes

<i>Project title</i>	<i>Theme(s)</i>
<i>SCRSJ projects (RDG funded)</i>	
Area and individual deprivation for small areas of Scotland ¹	1 and 5
Community governance in urban and rural partnership areas	2, 3 and 5
Patterns of social injustice in Scotland	All five
Quality of Life Among Older People Living in Rural Areas: the role of formal organisations, social networks and civic participation ¹	4 and 5
Satisfaction with public services in deprived and other areas	1, 4 and 5
The impact of the minimum wage in Scotland ¹	1
The role of the voluntary sector in providing refugee support services in Scotland	2 and 3
Transitions between work and non-work	1 and 4
A framework for evaluating public policy	All 5
<i>Externally funded projects</i>	
Deprivation and social exclusion in Argyll & Bute (funder: Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership) ^{1,2}	5, 1 and 2
Lessons for Community Planning from thematic SIPs: a comparative review of evaluation reports (funder: Communities Scotland) ¹	1, 2 and 3
Population turnover and area deprivation (funder: Joseph Rowntree Foundation) ¹	5, 1 and 2
Rich and poor older people in rural areas (funder: Age Concern and the Countryside Agency)	1, 2, 4 and 5
Serving Children? The impact of poverty on children's experiences of public, private and voluntary services (funder: The Big Lottery) ³	All five

Notes:

1: Projects begun in reporting period (November 2003-October 2004)

2: Completed

3: Funding secured for project to begin in coming reporting period

Theme 4, about how *public policy* is implicated in social justice for different groups *throughout the life course*, is being pursued particularly in projects focussed on children, on young people and on older people. Evidence about social justice and injustice for a variety of age groups is also explored in the *Patterns of Social Injustice* project.

Theme 5, focussed on the characteristics of *different types of place*, has featured in many projects and continues to provide a major focus for the Centre's work. This stream of work commenced in a project on *Measuring Deprivation* for the Scottish Executive and has continued in further RDG funded work and in a new project funded by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation to explore *population turnover and area deprivation*. This work has made a significant impact on policy, resulting in, for example: (i) innovations in the measurement of area deprivation in Scotland's Index of Multiple Deprivation; and (ii) innovations in the measurement of area deprivation in the development of community planning mechanisms and by the Church of Scotland in determining the deployment of resources between parishes.

As Appendix 7 shows, a flow of publications are emerging from these projects, using a variety of outlets

RESEARCH AND THE POLICY COMMITMENT TO SOCIAL JUSTICE

The centre's third objective is to contribute to the establishment of a new research-led policy community for Scotland.

The Centre has sought to lead debate about the research required to support public policy on social justice through the activities described above and below. The main approaches are:

- dissemination of Centre and other research relevant to social justice and public policy through publications, events and other means;
- development of new fora and forms of debate; and,
- promoting debate about methods for measuring, and approaches to understanding, social justice and injustice.

Three successful events – two conferences and one seminar – were organised by the Centre (one in collaboration) during the year (see Appendix 4). In addition, Centre staff gave a growing number (20) of presentations arising from Centre work to other conferences and seminars (see Appendix 7). These events brought mixed audiences of researchers and the policy community to debate policy issues such as area deprivation, disability, housing, and Scottish governance. In several cases work was done to follow up through the publication of papers. For example, papers from the conference on disability and social justice will soon be available to wider audiences in a themed issue of the journal *Social Policy and Society*.

Resources were devoted to leading a steering group to bid successfully for resources to the ESRC's seminar series fund for a series of four seminars and a conference on *Social Justice and Public Policy*. A distinctive feature of this series, unlike most such ESRC-funded series, is to be the involvement of the policy community as well as researchers and scholars. The steering committee of collaborators is made up from seven universities (Glasgow, York, Hull, Bristol, Loughborough, LSE, and UCL) and four individuals representing the policy community (Scottish Executive, Welsh Assembly, IPPR and Joseph Rowntree Foundation). Planning of the programme proceeded during the year, with the first seminar scheduled for March 2005. This major initiative is operating at the British level and a parallel series of seminars for Scotland is under discussion with members of the policy community.

A further new development for the coming year is that, from January 2005, the Centre at Glasgow is to host the first holder of the newly established Donald Dewar visiting professorship in Social Justice and Public Policy, Professor Ruth Lister. Professor Lister's interests in poverty, gender and citizenship will complement and enhance the research activities of the SCRSJ.

Further activities include:

- Utilizing the Advisory Committee, which met in June 2004, as a sounding board and source of assistance;
- Developing approaches to evaluating policy against social justice criteria, as in two papers on disability and homelessness policy to be published early in 2005; and in contributions to policy debates. For example, Alun Michael MP, Minister for Rural Affairs in England, cited Mark Shucksmith's *Review of Social Exclusion in Rural Areas* when launching a new scheme to help pensioners in poverty in rural areas in March 2004; and feedback from the conference on disability and social justice suggested that the papers to the conference had been of immediate value to the Scottish Executive.
- Dissemination through (i) the Centre's website (<http://www.scrsj.ac.uk>), which was updated throughout the year and is receiving further positive feedback from users. In the past year, it has received over 4,400 unique hits; (ii) the second edition of *SCRSJNews*, which was distributed to over 1200 contacts; (iii) publications arising from SCRSJ's work, which are listed in Appendix 7. We have recently launched a series of Working Papers, Research Reports and Briefing Notes. We anticipate a growing volume of publications in the next year.

CHALLENGES

In our third year of operation the Centre faced some unanticipated challenges arising from staff changes and illness. Despite these, the Centre has made substantial progress with its objectives and has met the majority of the targets set for the first three years of operation. In several areas greater progress has been made than anticipated. In others, targets have been harder to meet or have been redefined in the light of experience.

A key challenge for the Centre is to achieve sustainability. With the advice and support of the Centre's Advisory Committee, we have in the past year focussed on three aspects of our funding strategy for moving from dependence on our initial pump-priming SHEFC research grant to sustainability:

1) Secure research grants and contracts

The Centre was successful with two major research grant applications during the year and two smaller ones (see Appendix 5 for further details). A proposal to the ESRC for a project on *Public Conceptions of Social Justice* was unsuccessful due to lack of funds. Since the ESRC judged the project worthy of support, consideration is being given to seeking an alternative funder.

More stable and predictable forms of research funding are being pursued in discussions with public sector agencies. The idea of seeking longer-term ESRC or other funds for research concerned with social justice and public policy is also being explored amongst members of the steering group organising the ESRC seminar series.

2) Seeking to integrate the Centre into host institutions

Progress has been made with seeking to embed the Centre at the University of Glasgow through development of new under- and post-graduate teaching in social justice, the establishment within the Department of Urban Studies of a new social justice research group and the appointment of the Centre's secretary as a permanent member of staff, combining the roles of PA and Centre secretary. In addition, the appointment of Professor Ruth Lister to the Donald Dewar visiting professorship in social justice and public policy is a welcome recognition by the University of Glasgow of the Centre's role.

3) Creating a distinctive identity

Creating a distinctive identity is important in establishing the Centre as a feature of the social research infrastructure. The Centre's perception of its work and identity so far falls into four streams:

- developing theory, providing findings and influencing policy and data collection practices in relation to area and individual deprivation;
- providing insights into the needs of groups defined by cultural and social boundaries;
- identifying tensions and challenges in the policy emphasis on participation and partnership approaches to governance as routes to social justice for disadvantaged groups; and
- providing frameworks for evaluating public policy against criteria derived from social justice theories.

Invitations to the Centre to undertake contract research, to speak at conferences and seminars, and to contribute to academic or other writing projects reflect the work carried out over the last three years and encompass a concern with inequalities and their impact on people, place and participation. This and other work is establishing the Centre as a source of expertise on area disadvantage and the complex relationships between different forms of disadvantage within the lives of individuals. The publications, research projects and other activities to be pursued in the remaining months of the Centre's RDG grant will seek to refine this developing identity and establish it more strongly with policy and academic communities.

Appendix 1: Staff

Prof Robina Goodlad	Co-Director, Glasgow
Prof Mark Shucksmith	Co-Director, Aberdeen
Nick Bailey	Research Fellow, Glasgow (to 15 April 2004)
Rebekah Sterling	Research Fellow, Glasgow (to 7 September 2004)
Dr Karen Wren	Research Fellow, Aberdeen
Jon Pickering	Research Assistant, Glasgow
Mark Livingston	Research Assistant, Glasgow (from 1 August 2004)
Kate Thompson	Administrator, Glasgow
Jeane Jenkins	Secretary, Glasgow (50% time from 1 August 2004)
Alison Sage	Secretary, Aberdeen

Social Justice Research Group

(Department of Urban Studies, University of Glasgow):

Nick Bailey	Senior Lecturer
Jon Bannister	Senior Lecturer
Linda Bauld	Senior Lecturer
Susan Deeley	University Teacher
John Flint	Lecturer
Robina Goodlad	Professor
Gesa Helms	Research Fellow
Caroline Hoy	Research Fellow
Mark Livingston	Research Fellow
Jane Mackinnon	Research Assistant
Jon Pickering	Research Assistant
Maggie Reid	Research Fellow

Appendix 2: Associates

Suzanne Fitzpatrick	Director of the Centre for Housing Policy, University of York
Christine Hamilton	Director, Centre for Cultural Policy Research, Arts Faculty, University of Glasgow
Annette Hastings	Senior Lecturer, Department of Urban Studies, University of Glasgow
Lorna Philip	Lecturer, Department of Land Economy, University of Aberdeen
Gwilym Pryce	Senior Lecturer, Department of Urban Studies, University of Glasgow
Janet Shucksmith	Senior Lecturer, Department of Sociology, University of Aberdeen
Jennifer Spratt	Department of Sociology, University of Aberdeen
Rebekah Sterling	Research Student, UCLA, California
Ivan Turok	Professor, Department of Urban Studies, University of Glasgow
Esperanza Vera-Toscano	Department of Economics, University of Aberdeen

Appendix 3: Research students

Elizabeth Crowley	Project title: Disguised unemployment and sickness benefit (Funder: ESRC and Greater Glasgow Health Board).
Jane Mirren Grant	Project title: 'Social Exclusion in Rural Areas: the Case of Older Men' (Funder: ESRC and Highlands and Islands Enterprise).
Marcia Gibson	Project title: 'Social Exclusion and ICT: Barriers and Access Points in Digital Inclusion' (Funder: ESRC and Scottish Enterprise).
Carol McNaughton	Project title: 'Understanding Homelessness in the 'Risk society' (Funder: self funded, part-time, using data from Scottish Executive funded research in the Simon Community).
Maria Paniagua	Project title: 'The rescaling of planning to regional institutions: the case of transport' (Funder: ESRC and ODPM).
Julie Clarke	Project title: 'Social inclusion and the urban renaissance without the car' (Funder: ESRC).
Vickie Cooper	Project title: 'The relationship between social policy, homelessness and vulnerable groups' (Funder: ESRC).

Appendix 4: Events

Conference: Housing and Social Justice Friday 1 October 2004, Glasgow

This one-day conference was organised by SCRSJ and the Housing Research Group, Department of Urban Studies, University of Glasgow, with support from the Scottish Executive. The conference's themes were: the role of housing and housing policy in combating or contributing to income and wealth inequality; the relationship between housing and disadvantage experienced by particular groups (gender, ethnicity, disability, age); and the role of state, individual and market in determining outcomes or contributing to solutions. Speakers included Dr Mark Stephens, Prof Robina Goodlad, Michael Lennon and Paul Gray. Over 70 people attended.

Seminar: Poverty and Disadvantage: What can we do in Scotland? , Wednesday 2 June 2004, Gilmorehill Centre, University of Glasgow

This seminar, chaired by Susan Rice, Chair of SCRSJ advisory committee, was attended by over 100 delegates drawn from the policy, practitioner and academic communities in Scotland. The seminar considered the question of what can be done to tackle poverty and disadvantage in Scotland, five years after devolution, drawing on the work of the Scottish Council Foundation, and of a study: Reducing Child Poverty in Scotland. The speakers were Dr Jim McCormick, Director, Scottish Council Foundation and Doug Steiger, Professional Staff, US Senate, and holder of British Council Atlantic Fellowship in Public Policy 2003/4. Responses from Susan Elsley, Assistant Director (Policy), Save the Children in Scotland and Paul Gray, Director of the Scottish Executive's Social Justice group, were followed by a question and answer session.

Conference: Disabled People and Social Justice, Friday 14 November 2003, The Lighthouse, Glasgow

This one-day conference, sponsored by the University of Glasgow to mark European Year of People with Disabilities 2003, was hosted jointly by the SCRSJ and the Strathclyde Centre for Disability Research. The conference looked at issues such as the disadvantages faced by disabled people in the labour market, and as a consequence of discrimination, and considered their impact in areas such as education, health and the built environment. The conference was chaired by Advisory Committee member, Elaine Noad and speakers included Robina Goodlad, Sally Witcher, Sheila Riddell, Patricia Thornton, Tom Shakespeare, Nick Watson, Brian Woods and Linda Bauld.

Appendix 5: Research Projects

SCRSJ projects (SHEFC RDG funded)

Area and individual deprivation for small areas of Scotland

Nick Bailey and Jon Pickering

The data analysis for this project has been completed. A report on deprivation for parishes was presented to the Church of Scotland's Committee on Priority Areas and a paper was presented at the European Network for Housing Research conference, Cambridge, in July 2004. Further presentations based on this work were given to the South Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership and at the Department of Geography at the University of Dundee. A working paper will be available early in 2005.

Community governance in urban and rural partnership areas

Rebekah Sterling

Fieldwork was completed in summer 2004. A report is in progress; expected publication date: early 2005.

The impact of the minimum wage in Scotland

Euan Phimister and Bob Elliot, University of Aberdeen, Department of Economics

Analysis is complete and two draft papers are in draft. One is being finalised for publication as an SCRSJ working paper early in 2005, while more in-depth analysis is planned for 2005 to allow a more technical paper to be submitted to an academic journal.

Patterns of social injustice in Scotland

Robina Goodlad and Jon Pickering

This project will provide a statement about the state of social justice in Scotland based on existing data sources and a conceptual framework developed by SCRSJ. The work is well advanced and a report and summary are to be completed early in 2005.

Quality of Life Among Older People Living in Rural Areas: the role of formal organisations, social networks and civic participation

Lorna Philip and Natasha Mauthner, Arkleton Centre

Fieldwork complete. Report delayed by maternity leave. Expected date of completion of working paper and summary: spring 2005.

Satisfaction with services in deprived and other areas

Nick Bailey and Annette Hastings, Department of Urban Studies

Work was delayed due to maternity and other leave for Annette Hastings. A working paper will be published early in 2005.

Transitions between work and non-work

Nick Bailey, with Ivan Turok and Andrew McCulloch, Department of Urban Studies

The analysis of data for this project is completed. A draft working paper has been produced and a final version will be published early in 2005.

Role of the voluntary sector in providing refugee care in Scotland

Karen Wren

The first phase was completed during the year, and the report is in press, to be disseminated November/December 2004. A summary will be posted on the SCRSJ website. The work has been presented at a seminar at the University of Dundee, October 2004, and at the Population Geography Conference, University of St Andrews, August 2004, and will be presented at the 13th Nordic Migration conference, Ålborg, Denmark, November 2004. A journal paper is also in preparation. Phase two will begin in December 2004.

Externally funded projects

Deprivation and social exclusion in Argyll and Bute

Nick Bailey, Jennifer Spratt (Rowan Group, University of Aberdeen), Jon Pickering, Robina Goodlad and Mark Shucksmith

Funder: Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership (£35k)

This project was completed early in 2004 and published by the Community Planning Partnership soon after.

Lessons for community planning from thematic SIPs: a comparative review of evaluation reports

Robina Goodlad, Suzi Macpherson, Department of Applied Social Science, University of Stirling and Carol McKenzie, Department of Urban Studies, University of Glasgow

Funder: Communities Scotland (£10k)

The current transition from Social Inclusion Partnerships (SIPs) to mainstreaming area and other forms of disadvantage in community planning is the context for this project, which aims to derive insights for community planning in relation to equalities mainstreaming, governance and sustainability. The project is a desk-based study of evaluation reports of thematic and area SIPs and other relevant literature. It is due to report in Spring 2004.

Population turnover and area regeneration

Nick Bailey and Mark Livingston

Funder: Joseph Rowntree Foundation (£49k)

This project got underway in August 2004, when Mark Livingston joined SCRSJ as a Research Fellow. The literature review phase has been completed and an initial paper was presented at a Housing Studies Association conference in Belfast in September. Work has now begun on the analyses, somewhat hampered by late delivery of census data relating to migration. Final report expected summer 2005.



Serving Children? The impact of poverty on children's experiences of public, private and voluntary services

Robina Goodlad, Malcolm Hill, Daniela Sime, Susan Elsley and Caroline King

Funder: The Big Lottery (£143k)

This two-year project is getting underway at the end of the year reported here. It is led by Save the Children in Scotland in association with the Glasgow Centre for the Child & Society (University of Glasgow) and SCRSJ, will explore the effect of poverty on children's access to, perceptions of and use of services. The main focus of the research will be the way children living in poverty in Scotland view and experience services.

Rich and poor older people in rural areas

Mark Shucksmith, Lorna Philip, Alana Gilbert

Funder: Age Concern and the Countryside Agency

This is an invited chapter for a book on Ageing in Rural Communities, based on literature review and analysis of the BHPS. A draft chapter will be complete during November. The book is commissioned by Age Concern and the Countryside Agency.

What Works in Community Involvement in Area-based Initiatives?

Paul Burton, Robina Goodlad, Jacquie Croft, Joanne Abbott, Annette Hastings, Geraldine Macdonald, and Tom Slater

Funder: Home Office (£35k)

This systematic review of research evidence on the effectiveness of community involvement in area based initiatives (ABIs) was substantially completed in the previous year and sought to answer questions such as: Effectiveness at what? Involvement in what? What form of involvement? and involvement by whom? The review found mixed evidence about whether community involvement has a positive or negative effect on social cohesion, positive impacts outweighing negative. Many authors also report that, despite practical difficulties, community involvement has a positive impact on public policy and service delivery and can generate a sense of inclusion, self-respect and self-esteem. The final report was published by the Home Office on 13 October 2004.

Appendix 6: Advisory Committee

Membership (at 31 October 2004)

Susan Rice (Chair)	Lloyds TSB
Glen Bramley	Heriot Watt University
Prof Jochen Clasen	University of Stirling
Prof David Donnison	University of Glasgow
Susan Elsley	Save the Children in Scotland
Kathy Galloway	Church Action on Poverty
Elizabeth Gray	University of Glasgow, R & E
Paul Gray	Scottish Executive
Dr Alastair Grimes	Community Enterprise in Strathclyde
Anil Gupta	COSLA
Peter Kelly	The Poverty Alliance
Damian Killeen	Scottish Human Services Trust
Dr Namasiku Liandu	Scottish Trades Union Congress
Theresa McDonagh	Joseph Rowntree Foundation
Stephen Maxwell	Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations
Prof Chris Morris	University of Glasgow
Elaine Noad	Disability Rights Commission
Agnes Rennie	Crofters Commission
Gill Scott	Scottish Poverty Information Unit, Glasgow Caledonian University
Raymond Young	University of Glasgow

Appendix 7: Publications and papers presented

Publications (inc. reports to funders and 'forthcomings')

- Bailey, N. and Hastings, A. (2004). Housing and neighbourhood regeneration. In: *Housing and public policy in post-devolution Scotland*, edited by D. Sim. Coventry: Chartered Institute of Housing, pp. 82-93.
- Bailey, N. and Pickering, J. (2004). *Church of Scotland area and individual deprivation measures: note on final results*. Glasgow: SCRSJ, University of Glasgow.
- Bailey, N., Spratt, J., Pickering, J., Goodlad, R., and Shucksmith, M. (2004). *Deprivation and social exclusion in Argyll and Bute*. Lochgilphead, Argyll and Bute: Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership.
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Policy Practitioner links

Nick Bailey provided advice to the Church of Scotland on its proposals for taking greater account of deprivation in the distribution of resources between parishes. Robina Goodlad served on the Scottish Advisory Committee of Shelter, on the Board of the Poverty Alliance (as a co-opted member), and on advisory committees for the Joseph Rowntree Foundation's 'Monitoring Poverty and Social Exclusion in Scotland' and for the Simon Community's PATHE project. Rebekah Sterling continued to give advice to the Poverty Alliance's Poverty Watch initiative until her departure in September.