Women and Girls' Safety in Parks: Lessons from Research and Practice

Wednesday, 10 May 2023, 9:30 – 17:00
Room LG.06, Liberty Building, School of Law, University of Leeds
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Programme

09:30 - 09:50  Registration, Tea and Coffee
09:50 - 10:00  Welcome by Alison Lowe OBE, Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime, West Yorkshire
               Introduction by Dr Anna Barker, University of Leeds
10:00 - 10:10  Keynote address by Dr Rachel Hewitt, Newcastle University:
               ‘Girls’ Worlds Shrink; Boys’ Expand’: The Diminishing of Women’s Freedom in the Outdoors
10:10 - 11:00  Session 1: Contextualising Women and Girls’ Safety in Parks
               • Saskia Garner, Suzy Lamplugh Trust
               • Jeannette Morris-Boam, Leeds Women’s Aid
               • Tanya Martin, Women In Sport
               • Imogen Clark, Make Space for Girls
               • Chaired by Alison Lowe OBE, West Yorkshire Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime
11:00 - 13:00  Session 2: Lessons from Research
               • Dr Anna Barker, University of Leeds
               • Professor Rachel Pain, Newcastle University
               • Dr Julia King, LSE Cities, London School of Economics.
               • Dr Amanda Seims, Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
               • Chaired by Professor Conor O’Reilly, Director, Centre for Criminal Justice Studies
13:00 - 13:45  Lunch & Networking
13:45 - 15:00  Session 3: How Can We Create Safer Parks?
               • Tracy Brabin, Mayor of West Yorkshire
               • Susannah Walker, Make Space for Girls
               • Helen Forman, West Yorkshire Combined Authority
               • Abigail Gaines, Friends of Rowntree Park
               • Marina Milosev, London Legacy Development Corporation
               • Chaired by Allison Ogden-Newton OBE, Chief Executive, Keep Britain Tidy
15:00 - 15:20  Tea and coffee break
15:20 - 16:50  Session 4: Lessons from Practice
               • Paula Appleton, Director, Evergreen Active
               • Elettra Bordonaro, Light Follows Behaviour
               • Detective Superintendent Vanessa Rolfe, West Yorkshire Police
               • Gabi Howard, Camden Council
               • Chaired by Paul Todd, Green Flag Award, Keep Britain Tidy
16:50 - 17:00  Closing remarks by Sue Morgan, Chief Executive, Landscape Institute
17:00 - 18:00  Drinks and networking
Women and Girls' Safety in Parks: Learning from different perspectives, methodologies and contexts

Thursday, 11 May 2023, 9:30 – 15:00
Moot Court Room, School of Law, Liberty Building, University of Leeds

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Programme

09:30 - 09:50  Registration, Tea and Coffee (outside Moot Court Room)
09:50 - 10:00  Welcome and Introduction
10:00 - 11:15  Session 1: Researching Women and Girls’ Safety in Parks and Public Spaces: Approaches, Methodologies & Reflections
   - Professor Rachel Pain, Newcastle University
   - Professor George Holmes, University of Leeds
   - Dr Julia King, Research Fellow, LSE Cities, London School of Economics
   - Dr Amanda Seims, Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
   - Discussant: Professor Adam Crawford, Co-Director, ESRC Vulnerability & Policing Futures Research Centre
   - Discussant: Estelle Grech, Churchill Fellow & Senior Policy Advisor for The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, New South Wales Minister for Infrastructure, Cities and Active Transport.
   - Chaired by Dr Anna Barker, University of Leeds
11:15 - 11:25  Comfort break
11:25 - 13:00  Session 2: Learning from beyond the UK: research and practice on women and girls’ safety in Sweden and Australia
   - Professor Vania Ceccato, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden
   - Professor Romina Rodela, Södertörn University, Sweden
   - Dr Linda Sandberg, Umeå University, Sweden
   - Estelle Grech, Churchill Fellow & Senior Policy Advisor for The Hon. Rob Stokes MP, New South Wales Minister for Infrastructure, Cities and Active Transport
   - Discussant: Imogen Clark, Co-Founder, Make Space for Girls
   - Discussant: Carl McClean, Keep Britain Tidy
   - Chaired by Professor Adam Crawford, Co-Director, ESRC Vulnerability & Policing Futures Research Centre
13:00 - 13:30  Lunch & Networking
13:30 - 15:00  Session 3: Identifying Knowledge & Evidence Gaps: New Directions for Research (Room G32)
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