

The Importance of Creating Prosocial Places

Wednesday 13th May 2015 1-2.30pm

Sulgrave, Room SO14

the University of Northampton, Park Campus

During this seminar **Professor Rhiannon Corcoran**, from the University of Liverpool, Institute of Psychology Health and Society and **Graham Marshall**, a Landscape Architect and Urban Designer working at the cutting edge of design for over 25 years will bring together an understanding of human need in the built environment to promote good health and wellbeing.

Prof. Rhiannon Corcoran has been researching the psychology of mental health and wellbeing for over 25 years. She co-directs the University's Heseltine Institute of Public Policy and Practice leading the health and wellbeing theme. Rhiannon co-directs the Prosocial Place Research Programme with the aim of understanding the interactions between mental, social and physical capitals to address the toxicity of cities for mental health and wellbeing and will outline these issues in the seminar.

Graham Marshall was a founding Director of Liverpool Vision URC in 1999, responsible for the strategic framework that arrested the decline of the city. However, over that time he has carried grave doubts about the processes and practices directing the built environment professions, and the crises in health and wellbeing that these both create and maintain. Graham is co-director of the design consultancy established to implement the Prosocial Place Programme and will outline key 'design' issues in the seminar.

A sandwich lunch will be provided. For further information and to book a place

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