

Dr Jo Richardson
Curriculum Vitae

BA (Hons) Public Administration & Managerial Studies (De Montfort), MSc Housing (De Montfort), PhD (De Montfort), FCIH, ILTM, MCMI

Principal Lecturer and Programme Leader for the Chartered Institute of Housing MSc Housing Studies and the CIH Professional Diploma in Housing.

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Background

Jo Richardson is a Principal Lecturer in the Centre for Comparative Housing Research (CCHR) at De Montfort University, Leicester, and has been with CCHR for eleven years. Previously, she worked in the Good Practice Unit at the Chartered Institute of Housing; and prior to that as a housing practitioner at Midsummer Housing Association, Milton Keynes; and South Holland District Council in Lincolnshire. She is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Housing, a member of the Higher Education Academy and a member of the Chartered Management Institute.

Teaching and Learning

Jo is programme leader for two distance learning courses: the Chartered Institute of Housing MSc and the Professional Diploma in Housing and Sustainable Communities. Jo also teaches modules on the part-time Foundation Degree/ BSc, the Postgraduate Certificate and the MSc Business for Housing. In her teaching on the housing programmes, she specialises in housing and business management, marketing and customer focus, and social theory.

Ongoing supervision includes a number of BSc and MSc dissertation candidates, as well as two PhD students.

Media

Jo has appeared in the media on the subject of Gypsies and Travellers – on the BBC Radio 5 Live drive time programme in 2005 (as well as BBC Radio Leicester and SAGA FM) and in 2008 she did an interview for BBC Radio Three Counties on site provision. On August 30th 2010 Jo was on television for BBC Breakfast News in an interview with Clive Myrie on the change in government targets for Gypsy site provision. Jo took part in a BBC Radio Leicester documentary programme on 4th March 2011, and spoke to BBC Radio Somerset about accommodation needs for Gypsies and Travellers on 7th March 2011.

Recent and Ongoing Research and Consultancy

Jo's research focus is in the area of discourse and control, accommodation assessment and planning, and conflict resolution (particularly looking at the impact this has on Gypsies and Travellers).

- Arts and Humanities Research Council, part of team undertaking research 'Problematizing Co-Production', February 2011 – ongoing
- Wessex Community Assets Analysis of Community Land Trust project for Esmee Fairburn Foundation, March 2011 - ongoing
- Member of panel held in the House of Lords on 3rd February 2011 examining the impact of the Localism Bill on Gypsies and Travellers (fellow panel members were Lord Avebury, Lord Boswell, Rory Stewart MP, Professor Thomas Acton, David Joyce and Dr Andrew Ryder)
- Project director for the Cambridgeshire Gypsy and Traveller Strategy, completed in September 2010.
- Upon invitation, attended the Scholars Meeting on Representation of Roma in the Media, held in Warsaw, Poland, March 16th-17th, 2010. Hosted by the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe's (OSCE) Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR).
- Project director for the Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment in Somerset, completed in October 2010.
<http://www.sedgemoor.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=7294>
- Key note speaker at the Communities and Local Government conference on Gypsies and Travellers, 15th May 2008; at the East of England Regional Assembly conference on 17th April 2008, and invited to speak to the HouseMark Major Cities Group conference on 8th May 2008.
- Research into the impact of Circular ODPM 1/06 on planning decisions for Gypsy and Traveller sites; for Lord Eric Avebury in 2007. This work was noted for its contribution by Lord Avebury and was cited in the Briscoe report of December 2007.
- Project director for Gypsy Traveller Accommodation Assessment for East Kent sub-region; February – July 2007.
- Project providing technical support to the East Midlands Regional Assembly on incorporating requirements for Gypsy and Traveller accommodation in the Regional Plan, June 2007.
- Advisory Group member for the Housing Corporation Innovation and Good practice Grant funded research on Gypsies and Travellers relations with the settled community in West Kent, project managed by Goldsmiths college, 2007.
- Took part in the Building and Social Housing Foundation consultation event at St Georges House, Windsor Castle, on provision of accommodation for Gypsies and Travellers, June 2007.
- Principal researcher on project for the Joseph Rowntree Foundation on the issues affecting site development and community cohesion for Gypsies and

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Travellers; 2005-2007. The project generated media interest and resulted in interviews on Radio 5 Live drive time and BBC Radio Leicester. The report was published October 2007 and launched in Westminster.

Publications

Richardson, J (2011) *Mobile Populations and Communities* (Chapter 43) in the International Encyclopaedia of Housing and Home, Elsevier
<http://www.elsevierdirect.com/brochures/houseandhome/>

Ryder, A, Acton, T, Cemlyn, S, Cleemput, P, Greenfields, M, Richardson, J and Smith, D (2011) *'A Big or Divided Society? Final Recommendations and Report of the Panel Review into the Impact of the Localism Bill and Coalition Government Policy on Gypsies and Travellers'*, London: Travellers Aid Trust
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Richardson, J (2011) *The Impact of Planning Circular 1/06 on Gypsies and Travellers in England*, Leicester: De Montfort University

Richardson, J (Ed) (2010) *From Recession to Renewal: the impact of the financial crisis on public services and local government*, Bristol: Policy Press
<http://www.policypress.co.uk/display.asp?k=9781847426994>

Richardson, J (Ed) (2010) *Housing and the Customer: understanding needs and delivering services*, Coventry: Chartered Institute of Housing
<http://www.cih.org/publications>

Richardson, J and Ryder, A (2009) *New Labour's policies and their effectiveness for the provision of sites for Gypsies and Travellers in England - in Sigona, N and Trehan, N (Eds) Gypsies and Travellers in Europe*, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan
<http://www.palgrave.com/products/title.aspx?pid=277558>

Richardson, J (2009) 'A Multiculturalist Approach for Gypsies and Travellers? How the lack of site provision engenders conflict and promotes assimilation' in Howson, C and Sallah, M (Eds) *Europe and its Established and Emerging Immigrant Communities: Assimilation, Multiculturalist or Integration?* Stoke on Trent: Trentham Books www.trentham-books.co.uk

Richardson, J (2008), "Questioni sull'offerta di spazi per insediamenti di Gypsy e Travellers in Inghilterra" (Issues on Site Provision for Gypsies and Travellers in England), in Giorgio Bezzecchi, Maurizio Pagani e Tommaso Vitale (eds.), *I rom e l'azione pubblica: in Europa, in Italia, a scuola*, Teti editore, Milano.
<http://sucardrom.blogspot.com/2008/10/i-rom-e-lazione-pubblica.html>

Richardson, J (2007) *Contentious Spaces: The Gypsy/Traveller Site Issue*: Coventry: CIH/JRF <http://www.jrf.org.uk/publications/providing-gypsy-and-traveller-sites-contentious-spaces>

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Richardson, J, Bloxson, J and Greenfields, M (2007) *East Kent Sub-Regional Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment Report (2007-2012)* Leicester: De Montfort University <http://doverdc.co.uk/pdf/EastKentGTAAreport17July07.pdf>

Richardson, J. (2006) *The Gypsy Debate: can discourse control?* Exeter, Imprint Academic <http://www.amazon.co.uk/Gypsy-Debate-Can-Discourse-Control/dp/1845400577>

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<http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/content~db=all~content=a741436086~frm=titlelink>

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www.cih.org/publications

Brown, T., Lishman, R. & Richardson, J. (2005) *Implementing and Developing Choice-Based Lettings*, London: ODPM

Brown, T, Richardson, J. & Thompson-Ercan, J. (2005) Not Another Policy Plan – Supporting People Strategies and Community Care, in Foord, M. & Simic, P. (Eds) *Housing, Community Care and Supported Housing*, Coventry: Chartered Institute of Housing, pp188-200

Brown, T., Hunt, R., & Richardson, J. (2002) *How to Choose Choice*, London: ODPM

Brown, T., Dearling, A., Hunt, R., Richardson, J. & Yates, N. (2002) *Allocate or Let? Your Choice*, Coventry: CIH

Richardson, J. & Millward, E. (2002) *Mediation to resolve disputes in social housing*, London: Housing Corporation

Forthcoming Publications

Richardson, J and Ryder, A (Eds) (Forthcoming 2012) *Gypsies and Travellers: Empowerment and Inclusion in British Society*, Bristol: Policy Press

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Conference Papers

Richardson, J (2010) 'Discourse Dissonance: an examination of media, political and public discourse and its impact on policy implementation for Roma, Gypsies and Travellers at a local level'. *Romani Mobilities* conference, Harris Manchester College, University of Oxford, January.

Richardson, J and Ryder, A (2009) 'Stamp on the Camps – A Case Study of a Moral Panic, Othering and Political Furore in the UK', *Extremism and the Roma and Sinti in Europe: Challenges, Risks and Responses* (conference supported by OSCE/ODIHR), London, September 2009.

Richardson, J and Thompson, P (2009) 'Exploring learner participation in curriculum development towards employing more read/write approaches on a distance learning professional programme'. *8th European Conference on e-learning*, Bari, Italy, October.

Richardson, J (2008) 'A race apart: how the lack of residence for Gypsies and Travellers engenders conflict'. Seminar paper to the European Network of Housing Researchers' conference, July, Dublin, Ireland.

Richardson, J (2007) 'A multiculturalist approach for Gypsies and Travellers? How the lack of site provision engenders conflict and promotes assimilation'. Seminar paper to the 'Europe and its established and emerging immigrant communities: assimilation, multiculturalism or integration' conference held at DMU, Leicester 10-11 November.

Richardson, J (2006) Gypsies and Travellers: Human Rights in an Expanding Europe? Seminar paper to the European Network of Housing Researchers' Conference, July, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Richardson, J. (2005) *Policing Gypsies and Travellers* Plenary paper to the Housing Studies Association (HSA), Lincoln, September.

Richardson, J. (2004) *Talking about Gypsies: the notion of discourse as control* Paper to European Network of Housing Researchers' (ENHR) conference, Cambridge, July

Brown, T., Hunt, R. & Richardson, J. (2003) *Any choice for vulnerable households? Lessons from choice based lettings* Paper to HSA Conference, York, April

Brown, T., Richardson, J. & Yates, N. (2002) *Whose Asset Management?* Paper to ENHR Conference, Vienna, July

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Qualifications

- Doctor of Philosophy in Social Theory, December 2004, De Montfort University, Leicester
- Diploma in Registered Social Landlord Governance, January 2004, College of North East London, Middlesex University
- Chartered Institute of Marketing Advanced Certificate in Marketing, June 2002, De Montfort University, Leicester
- MSc Housing (distinction), June 1999, De Montfort University, Leicester
- University Certificate in Housing (distinction) June 1997, De Montfort University, Leicester
- BA (Hons) (2:1) Public Administration and Managerial Studies, June 1995, De Montfort University, Leicester

Wider Involvement

Jo is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Housing (joined 1999), a member of the Chartered Management Institute (since 2003), a member of the Higher Education Academy (since 2002) and a member of the Political Studies Association (since 2010).

From 2002 – 2007 Jo was a member of the board at Minster General Housing Association in Peterborough, and for the last two years was Vice-Chair; she was also a member for the Operations Committee of the Hyde Group. Jo was external examiner for the HNC and BSc Housing programmes (2005 - 2009) and in her last year of tenure was also the chief examiner for the school of science and technology at Glyndŵr University in Wales.