

**Brunel Centre for Sport Health and Wellbeing****British Sociological Association - Leisure and Recreation Study Group**

invite you to participate in a one-day symposium on

**Leisure, health and wellbeing in an age of austerity:  
research and policy perspectives****Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011****at Brunel University, Uxbridge, West London**

This one-day event brings together an exciting line-up of experienced academic and policy researchers to examine the interrelationship of leisure, health and wellbeing in a time of economic constraint. As the UK's coalition Government explores the concept of wellbeing as a measurable dimension of individual and social development and welfare, the symposium will consider the issues and challenges that this raises for policy and research. Speakers will examine the relationship between leisure, health and wellbeing in the context of inequality and in different contexts, including across the lifespan and among diverse populations. Ambiguities in the development of public health policy, and in popular responses to them, will also be considered. Throughout the symposium, diverse disciplinary perspectives will be presented to allow delegates to examine how different methodological approaches can enrich understanding in this area.

***Speakers***

PROFESSOR CARA AITCHISON, University of Edinburgh

PAUL ALLIN, Director of the Measuring National Well-being Programme, Office for National Statistics

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR SIMONE FULLAGAR, Griffith University, Brisbane

DR. PAULA GRIFFITHS, Reader in Biosocial Science, Loughborough University

PROFESSOR DAVID HARGEAVES, Co-director of the Applied Music Research Centre, Roehampton University

DR. LOUISE MANSFIELD, Senior Lecturer in the Sociology of Sport, Canterbury University

DR. JOE PIGGIN, Lecturer in Sport Management and Policy, Loughborough University

DR. ELIZABETH PIKE Sport Development and Management, University of Chichester

PROFESSOR ROBERT WALKER, Professor of Social Policy, Oxford University

***Convenors***Tess Kay, School of Sport and Education, Brunel University: [tess.kay@brunel.ac.uk](mailto:tess.kay@brunel.ac.uk)Liz Such, School of Health and Social Sciences, University of Bolton: [L.Such@bolton.ac.uk](mailto:L.Such@bolton.ac.uk)***Fees (including lunch and refreshments)***

Full delegate	£45
BSA members	£40
Student and concessionary	£30

***For booking details please email***[tess.kay@brunel.ac.uk](mailto:tess.kay@brunel.ac.uk)***Transport***

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