HOWARD LIDDELL MEMORIAL LECTURE 2019
- the legacy of Sherry Arnstein

IS SCOTLAND’S HOUSING FIT FOR PURPOSE?

THURSDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2019
Old College - G.159 - MacLaren Stuart Room
Edinburgh University
6pm till 9pm
This event is the 5th in a series dedicated to the memory of Howard Liddell, eco-architect and one of the founders of the Scottish Ecological Design Association. When Howard died in 2013 he was planning a book—Ecomax—based on his heroes, all eco-pioneers. Each of the lectures focuses on one of these eco-pioneers. In 2019 we look at the legacy of Sherry Arnstein—author of the Ladder of Participation.

The event will look at problems with Scotland’s housing and consider how citizen power might be a contributor to finding lasting solutions.

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6.00 Gather
6.30 Introduction to the Series and the Legacy of Sherry Arnstein - Professor Sandy Halliday
6.45 The Great Scottish Housing Disaster: The Impacts of Feudalism, Modernism, Energy Efficiency & Vapour Barriers on Indoor Air Quality, Asthma and Public Health - Dr Stirling Howieson
7.15 Housing Fit For Purpose - Professor Fionn Stevenson
7.45 Some thoughts on Scotland’s Housing - Andy Wightman MSP
8.00 Q&A
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Introduction to the Series and the Legacy of Sherry Arnstein - Professor Sandy Halliday
Sandy is a chartered engineer and an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland. She established Gaia Research in 1995 to develop sustainable solutions for the built environment. The practice portfolio at any one time embraces research, design, evaluation, dissemination, training and capacity building. She is author of Sustainable Construction, now in its 2nd Edition.

The Great Scottish Housing Disaster: The Impacts of Feudalism, Modernism, Energy Efficiency & Vapour Barriers on Indoor Air Quality, Asthma and Public Health - Dr Stirling Howieson
Stirling is a Chartered Architect & Engineer and has spent over 35 years researching the relationship between house conditions and public health. He is the author of Housing - Raising the Scottish Standard, (TSA, 1991) and Housing and Asthma, (Taylor & Francis, 2005). In 2019 he won the Gran Prix and Gold Medal at the World Invention Exhibition in Geneva for his micro-solar combined heat and power unit that can provide food processing, water filtration and electricity for off-grid communities.

Housing Fit For Purpose - Professor Fionn Stevenson
Fionn holds a Chair in Sustainable Design at the University of Sheffield School of Architecture. Her research & consultancy focuses on developing innovative methods of building performance evaluation in relation to occupancy feedback and social learning in order to improve building design. Her focus is on housing. Recent publications include: Housing Fit for Purpose: performance, feedback and learning (RIBA Publishing 2019).

Some thoughts on Scotland’s Housing - Andy Wightman MSP
Andy is a Scottish Green Party Member of the Scottish Parliament for the Lothian region and a writer and researcher best known for his work on land ownership in Scotland. He is the author of "Who Owns Scotland" and "The Poor Had No Lawyers".