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using an historic and contemporary analysis cultural planning examines how and why the cultures have been planned and the extent to which cultural amenities have been considered in town planning from its ancient roots in the cities of classical athenian roman and byzantium empires to the european renaissance public culture shows both an historic continuity and contemporary response to economic and social change whilst the arts are considered an extension of welfare provision and human rights the creative industries and cultural tourism are also vital for economic growth and employment in the post industrial age however the new grand projects which look to the arts as an element of urban regeneration tend to be at the cost of both local cultural amenities and a culturally diverse society cultural planning is the first book on the planning of the arts and culture and the interaction between the state arts policy the cultural economy and town and city planning it uses case studies and examples from europe north america and asia the book calls for the adoption of consultative planning policy distributive models and a more integrated approach to both culture and urban design to prevent the reinforcement of existing geographical and cultural divides

this collection adds weight to an emerging argument that policies to make cities better are inextricably linked to an attempt to pacify and regulate crime and disorder it provides discussions from a range of scholars examining policy connections that can be traced between social urban and crime policy and the wider processes of regeneration

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this book is an academic essay about the urban regeneration policies which have been changing the physical and partly social outlook of many english cities during the last 10 15 years eventually giving birth to a process which is also known as urban renaissance the main focus is on urban design the way it has been promoted by the government as an important means for delivering attractive places in more sustainable and competitive cities the research describes the support given to local authorities for this purpose through new laws and powers the publishing of planning and design manuals and the delivery of especially dedicated funds bodies and programmes it also explores the character and purpose of new developments such as scientific parks creative cultural quarters retail and commercial dis tricts public realm works describing recurring design rules and features readers interested in urban policies architecture and the built environment will find a concise yet comprehensive explanation enriched by more than a hundred pictures on why and how many towns and cities like birmingham nottingham leicester or sheffield have been changing during the last decade

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approaches to urban regeneration have changed dramatically throughout europe and the usa over recent decades this engaging book provides critical consideration of such theories in terms of their application to practice and suggests ways in which the practice of urban regeneration can be improved in terms of inclusion equity and sustainability

the desire of governments for a renaissance of their cities is a defining feature of contemporary urban policy from melbourne and toronto to johannesburg and istanbul government policies are successfully attracting investment and middle class populations to their inner areas regeneration or gentrification as it can often become produces winners and losers there is a substantial literature on the causes and unequal effects of gentrification and on the global and local conditions driving processes of dis and re investment but there is little examination of the actual strategies used to achieve urban regeneration what were their intents did they succeed and if not why not and what were the specific consequences whose urban renaissance asks who benefits from these urban transformations the book contains beautifully written and accessible stories from researchers and activists in 21 cities across europe north and south america asia south africa the middle east and australia each exploring a specific case of urban regeneration some chapters focus on government or market strategies driving the regeneration process and look closely at the effects others look at the local contingencies that influence the way these strategies work still others look at instances of opposition and struggle and at policy interventions that were used in some places to ameliorate the inequities of gentrification working from these stories the editors develop a comparative analysis of regeneration strategies with nuanced assessments of local constraints and counteracting policy responses the concluding chapters provide a critical comparison of existing strategies and open new directions for more equitable policy approaches in the future whose urban renaissance is targeted at students academics planners policy makers and activists the book is unique in its geographical breadth and its constructive policy emphasis offering a succinct critical and timely exploration of urban regeneration strategies throughout the world

striking transformations are taking place in the urban landscape the regeneration of urban areas in the uk and around the world has become an increasingly important issue amongst governments and populations since the global economic downturn this textbook provides an accessible and critical synthesis of urban regeneration in the uk analyzing key policies approaches issues and debates it places the historical and contemporary regeneration agenda in context the second edition has been extensively revised and updated to incorporate advances in literature policy and case study examples as well as giving greater discussion to the new labour period of urban policy and the urban agenda and regeneration policies of the conservative liberal democrat coalition government elected in 2010 the book is divided into five sections with section i establishing the conceptual and political framework for urban regeneration in the uk section ii traces policies that have been adopted by central government to influence the social economic and physical development of cities including early town and country and housing initiatives community focused urban policies of the late 1960s entrepreneurial property led regeneration of the 1980s competition for urban funds in the 1990s urban renaissance and neighborhood renewal policies of the late 1990s and early 2000s and new approaches since 2010 which have sought to stimulate enterprise and embrace localism in an age of austerity resulting from the global economic downturn section iii illustrates the key thematic policies and strategies that have been pursued by cities themselves focusing particularly on improving economic competitiveness tackling social disadvantage and promoting sustainable urban regeneration section iv summarizes key issues and debates facing urban regeneration in the early 2010s and speculates upon future directions in an era of economic and political uncertainty urban regeneration in the uk combines the approaches taken by central government and cities themselves to regenerate urban areas providing a comprehensive and up to date synthesis of the field each chapter also contains case studies study questions suggested further reading and websites making this an essential resource for undergraduate students interested in urban studies geography planning and the built environment

an insightful exploration of the strengths weaknesses and implications of new labour s urban renaissance agenda experts in urban design and planning critically review the development and application of the strategy in britain s largest cities

urban regeneration is widely discussed but less widely understood fully revised with important new policy case studies and

international analysis the second edition of urban regeneration will correct that the 16 chapters written by leading experts are organised into four sections the context for urban regeneration the history and evolution major themes and topics including housing community employment and the environment key issues in managing urban regeneration including legal and organisational considerations experience elsewhere and a view of the future expanded section now discussing australia and the celtic fringe as well as europe and the usa this is the essential handbook for practitioners involved in regeneration as well as students of planning urban studies geography and architecture

the book examines institutional innovation in urban regeneration in guangzhou shenzhen and shanghai three chinese cities that have experienced sweeping changes in recent years providing an ideal guide to the development of urban regeneration practices in china as a starting point the book revisits relevant theoretical developments and the institutional experiences of urban regeneration in some asian pioneer cities and regions such as hong kong taipei tokyo and singapore moving on to the chinese mainland cities themselves the core comparative study investigates the institutional systems key policies planning formulations and implementation paths in the urban regeneration process of the three cities gains and losses that have resulted from each city s institutional construction and reformation are discussed as well as the underlying reasons for these drawing on these case studies and comparisons the book puts forward some generic rules for urban regeneration institutional innovation offering a valuable frame of reference for other cities and regions the book will appeal to scholars interested in urban regeneration and renewal as well as urban planners architects policymakers and urban development administrators

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the committee's report examines the contribution of historic buildings to urban regeneration the role and effectiveness of public agencies responsible for the built environment the impact of the planning system and listing of historic buildings on urban regeneration the role played by government departments to promote the historic environment and fiscal and legislative reform options the committee concludes that regenerating historic buildings can reinforce a sense of local community and act as a catalyst for urban regeneration however historic buildings cannot be retained as relics of a bygone age but new uses and sensitive adaptations allowed where the original use is no longer viable the report highlights the shortage of conservation officers and the skills deficit in knowledge of regeneration and funding issues it also call on the dcms and the odpm to working more closely together on their cross cutting responsibilities in order to boost the potential contributions made by historic buildings to the local economy the current planning system is also criticised for causing delays and uncertainty with developers being subject to as many as nine different regimes including planning controls listed building consent and conservation area controls

in the past decade urban regeneration policy makers and practitioners have faced a number of difficult challenges such as sustainability budgetary constraints demands for community involvement and rapid urbanization in the global south urban regeneration remains a high profile and important field of government led intervention and policy and practice continue to adapt to the fresh challenges and opportunities of the 21st century as well as confronting long standing intractable urban problems and dilemmas this companion provides cutting edge critical review and synthesis of recent conceptual policy and practical developments within the field with contributions from 70 international experts within the field it explores the meaning of urban regeneration in differing national contexts asking questions and providing informed discussion and analyses to illuminate how an apparently disparate field of research policy and practice can be rendered coherent drawing out common themes and significant differences the companion is divided into six sections exploring globalization and neo liberal perspectives on urban regeneration emerging reconceptualizations of regeneration public infrastructure and public space housing and cosmopolitan communities community centred regeneration and culture led regeneration the concluding chapter considers the future of urban regeneration and proposes a nine point research agenda this companion

assembles a diversity of approaches and insights in one comprehensive volume to provide a state of the art review of the field it is a valuable resource for both advanced undergraduate and postgraduate students in urban planning built environment urban studies and urban regeneration as well as academics practitioners and politicians

belfast is at a turning point in its history if it is to succeed as the peace process advances the achievements of past urban regeneration efforts need to be evaluated in order to set in place effective policies and strategies for the future beginni

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