

# *Better Planning Network*

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and  
Listening across Difference*



Alexandria 1984



**NIMBY Psychology**

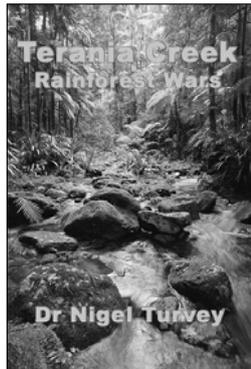








# *Terania Creek: Rainforest War*



Battle over logging rainforests of Terania Creek, 1979  
started *Rainforest War* in NSW

for foresters & sawmillers: last rainforest they would plan to log

**Ignited a conservation movement that swept across  
Australia and the world**

**clashes over logging rainforests:**

birthed *forest protests*

decline of native forest timber industry

sullied once noble reputation of forester

**Peace plan**, October 1982: *Rainforest Decision*

**started a process:**

eventual closure to logging

reservation in national parks: 900,000 ha of native forest

about 1/3 productive NSW State Forests

*...I was asked what I regarded  
as the Government's greatest  
achievement.*

*I had no hesitation in responding  
that it was **saving the rainforest  
on the north coast of NSW...**  
my only regret was that we did  
not do more.*

Neville Wran



## Metgasco suspends operations in Northern Rivers

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13 March 2013 - Metgasco has suspended operations in Northern Rivers!

A blockade has been running since Nov 20 with numerous arrests first at Glenugie (8th Jan) and then at Doubtful Creek site. But they did it. The community united and stopped this unwanted threat to environment and water.

Ironic to have a Clarence Valley pro-CSG councillor today say how 'sad' it was to see a company "hounded and harrassed". This is the attitude communities have to work against, the corporate seen as a 'person with feelings.' and the community wanting to have a say portrayed as the bully!

### RECENT POSTS

[Sunday 28 April - Stop CSG Sydney Public Meeting](#)

[Friday - Protect our water protest](#)

[Petition for Concentrated Solar Power Plant at Port Augusta, SA](#)

[AGL reconsidering CSG project at Gloucester, NSW](#)

[Woodside cancels LNG plant at James](#)

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*Home is the Territorial Core*



## **Territories**

- Where we assert our jurisdiction over psychical space
- Security: physical & psychic
- tend to convey messages about who the person or group is
- Express predominant mode of experiencing the world
- Express an individual's most common emotions or basic emotional assumptions

**Boundaries:** convey messages about how individual or group relates to outsiders



Michael Leunig



## Psychology of housing

1. What does *homing* mean? The inherent ability of an animal to navigate towards an original location through unfamiliar areas

**2. Instinct:** An innate, typically fixed pattern of behaviour in animals in response to certain stimuli. A natural or intuitive way of acting or thinking: "rely on your instincts".

# *WATBY*

- *W*hat
- *A*bout
- *T*heir
- *B*ack
- *Y*ards?



# Inaccurate images anger residents

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CAN residents affected by big development proposals rely on developers' photo montages?

One inner west group thinks not, after inaccuracies were found in a series of digital photo montages which made the proposed Lewisham Estates development appear much smaller than it would if built.

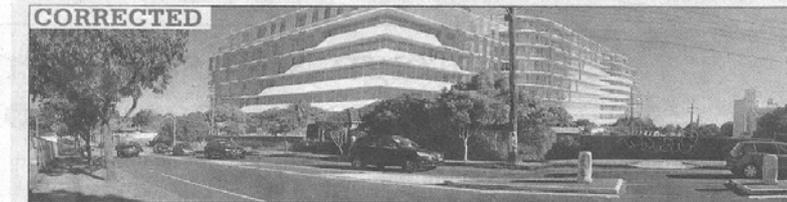
The developer was sent back to the drawing board by the Department of Planning to redo the images that were publicly exhibited for the project after questions were raised over their accuracy.

The No Lewisham Towers residents' action group claims the original images were so misleading that the corrected ones should go on public exhibition before the Planning Assessment Commission makes its determination next week.

The developer wants to build 30 apartments in seven buildings of up to 10 storeys on a former industrial site on Old Canterbury Road.

The issue of artists' impressions of proposed buildings has been controversial before, with the City of Sydney and developer Land Lease clashing over the accuracy of digital images of Barangaroo in late 2010.

"Photo montages are the least way for non-experts to understand what is being proposed," Tamara Winikoff, the



Picture imperfect ... the two interpretations of how the Lewisham Estates development will look.

chairwoman of the Lewisham residents' group, said.

"In representing the development at about half its real size, the developer may be trying to damp down an adverse response from the community to something that is completely out of scale and out of sympathy with what surrounds it."

The developer, Lewisham Estates Pty Ltd, could not be reached for comment.

Following public consultation,

a report found a series of errors in the original images by Tony Owen Partners.

These included digitally "stitching together" three images to present a wide angle view in a way which diminished the scale of the buildings, the use of hand-held cameras with different focal lengths to take the original view shots leading to inconsistencies and inaccurate surveys of the locations where the shots were taken.

The report, by Richard Lamb and Associates, did not suggest the images were deliberately misleading.

But a Department of Planning spokesman appeared to reject the argument residents should be able to rely on photo montages.

"The photo montages act as a visual aid to be read in accordance with the concept layout and envelope plans which indicated proposed building heights and envelopes," the spokesman said.

**ORIGINAL**



**CORRECTED**



Picture imperfect ... the two interpretations of how the Lewisham Estates development will look.

















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- 1. leading-practice approaches***
- 2. listening across difference***
- 3. coming to public judgement***
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# Exclusionary Professionalism

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## Flooding in Alexandria, 1934 (Listening, Age, Gender, Expert Blind Spot...)



## Flooding in Alexandria, June 2010

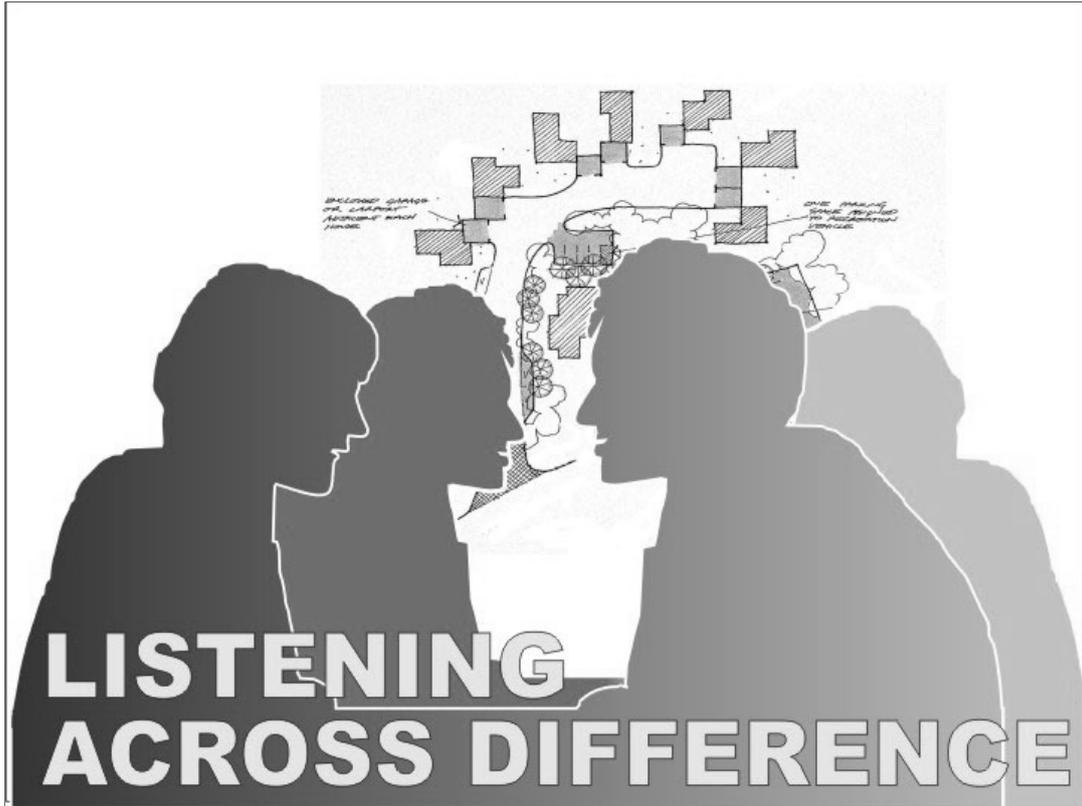


## Flooding in Alexandria, March 2012



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# Coming to Public Judgement



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# Mark Holland MCIP



**Corridor Housing Initiative  
Corridor Development Initiative  
Minnesota Block Exercise**

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# Corridors in Minneapolis



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- Minneapolis' ***main streets***
- Historic streetcar routes
- Physical pathways linking housing, jobs, recreation, shopping, schools & parks
- High-quality design can integrate increased density into city fabric
- Affordable housing needs to connect to transit & jobs
- Minneapolis strives to creative compact, walkable communities consistent with Smart Growth & TOD principles

# **3-Stage Process**

1. Preliminary workshops
2. Minnesota Block Exercise:  
hands-on
3. Materials for Developers



**Minnesota  
Block  
Exercise**

# The Developer

helps in considering options  
for a specific site:

- mix of residential & commercial uses
- surface level or underground parking
- green space
- number of units
- integration of affordable housing/subsidies



Alan Arthur,  
CEO Aeon

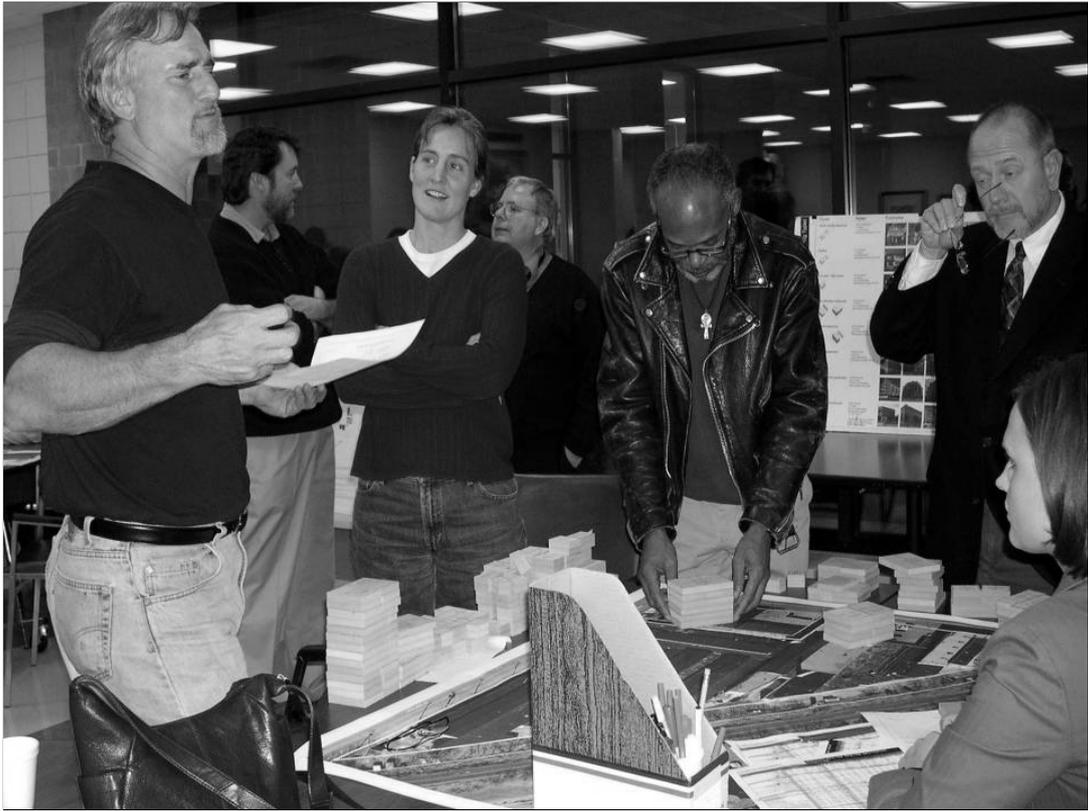


[www.aeonmn.org](http://www.aeonmn.org)



Alan Arthur





# **Minnesota Block Exercise Website**

**[www.housinginitiative.org](http://www.housinginitiative.org)**

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# Engaging the Community in Decision Making

Case Studies Tracking  
Participation, Voice and Influence

Roz Diane Lasker  
and John A. Guidry





# Transferring your ideas and knowledge





people most affected by problems  
communities were addressing

or

who were focus of the social actions  
being developed:

had critical knowledge

but

their knowledge was much less likely  
to be contributed & used than

knowledge of other  
people.

Who is considered knowledgeable?



1. some people with crucial knowledge —
2. people who are the focus of social actions —
3. may not be considered to be **knowledgeable** at all.

# Clout



even *within* a community, in processes organized by the community, people considered knowledgeable tend to be those with

- 1. clout, resources,**
- 2. or formal education**
- 3. & training**

in the particular areas the process is focusing on.

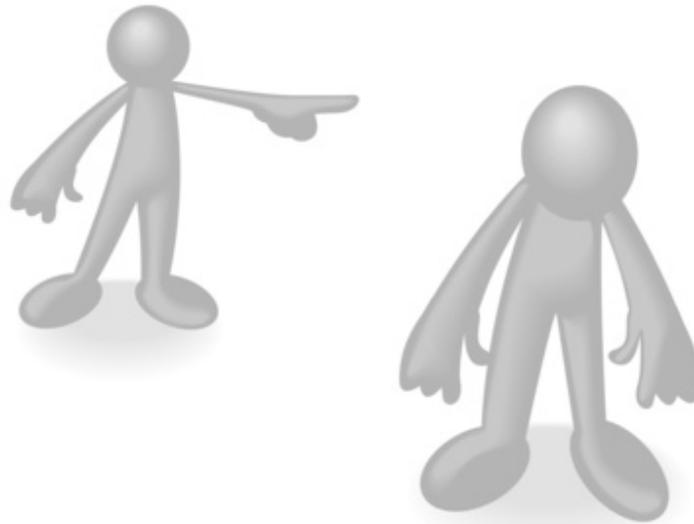
Not valued



Ideas of people the  
community is trying to help  
through social action

...are often not  
considered to be of value.

## 4. Dismissed ideas



Their ideas are  
dismissed

because they challenge  
preconceived notions  
or assumptions.

## **Big Barrier:**

Gatekeepers' Frames of Reference



People involved in developing social actions have ideas & knowledge of their own

they see their work in a particular frame of reference.

# *Trust*



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Scholarly articles for **community participation techniques**

- [Community participation in tourism planning](#) - Simmons - Cited by 320
- [Community participation methods in design and ...](#) - Sanoff - Cited by 433
- [...techniques for enhancing public participation in ...](#) - Al-Kodmany - Cited by 191

Active **participation techniques** - Queensland Government  
www.qld.gov.au/web/community/...methods-techniques/active.html  
Jun 22, 2011 - A range of active **participation techniques** can be used to engage with the **community**, including action research, advisory committees, ...

PDF Recommended **Community Participation Techniques**  
www.dca.ga.gov/development/.../programs/.../SPR.PartTechniques.pdf  
Georgia Department of Community Affairs. State Planning Recommendations. **COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION TECHNIQUES**. There are many ways to involve ...

**Community participation** - Australian Institute of Family Studies  
www.aifs.gov.au/sf/participationonline.html  
**Community participation**: principles, concepts, **methods**. An introduction to consumer **participation**. National Resource Centre for Consumer **Participation** in ...

PDF Chapter 12 **Community participation** - World Health Organizatio...  
www.who.or.id/eng/contents/aceh/wsh/books/es/ES12CD.pdf  
If **one** in the above examples, **community members** are of great importance but have little...

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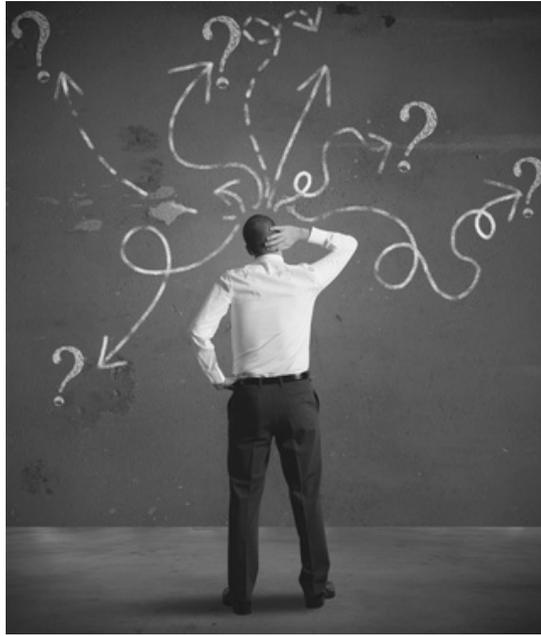


# Video of October 2012 Symposium on CityPlan

[vimeo.com/65995402](http://vimeo.com/65995402)



*What's the mystery?*









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