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**Employment**

**Professor of Human Geography**  
Academic (Teaching & Research) Professor  
Geography  
The University of Manchester  
1 Aug 2007 → present

**Manchester Urban Institute**  
The University of Manchester  
1 Aug 2007 → present

**Manchester Environmental Research Institute**  
The University of Manchester  
1 Nov 2020 → present

**Visiting Professor**  
Lund University  
Lund, Sweden  
1 Sep 2014 → 1 Sep 2017

**Research outputs**

**Building Utopia**  
Brown, C., Cruickshank, S. & Evans, J., Sep 2021, *building Utopia*. University of Manchester

**Toward Regional Low-Carbon Energy Transitions in England: A Relational Perspective**  
DOI: 10.3389/frsc.2021.635970

**How Cities Learn: from Experimentation to Transformation**  
DOI: 10.17645/up.v6i1.3545

**Informal urbanism and the Internet of Things: Reliability, trust and the reconfiguration of infrastructure: Reliability, trust and the reconfiguration of infrastructure**  
DOI: 10.1177/0042098019890798

**Smart and sustainable cities? Pipedreams, practicalities and possibilities**  
DOI: 10.1080/13549839.2019.1624701

**Smart-sustainability: A new urban fix?**  
DOI: 10.1016/j.scs.2018.11.028
"Give Me a Laboratory and I Will Lower Your Carbon Footprint!" - Urban Laboratories and the Governance of Low-Carbon Futures
DOI: 10.1111/1468-2427.12077

Give me a laboratory and I will lower your carbon footprint! Urban Laboratories and the Pursuit of Low Carbon Futures
DOI: 10.1111/1468-2427.1207

The Politics of Urban Experiments: Radical Change or Business as Usual?

Experimenting for sustainable development? Living laboratories, social learning, and the role of the university

The spatial transcript: Analysing mobilities through qualitative GIS
DOI: 10.1111/j.1475-4762.2011.01058.x

Search for Lorentz invariance and CPT violation with muon antineutrinos in the MINOS Near Detector
DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevD.85.031101 10.1103/PhysRevD.85.031101

Environmental governance
DOI: 10.4324/9780203155677

Re-thinking catastrophe in the time of climate change

Sustainable regeneration
DOI: 10.1016/B978-0-08-047163-1.00531-2

The feral academic: a comic book about project management

Resilience, ecology and adaptation in the experimental city
DOI: 10.1111/j.1475-5661.2010.00420.x
The walking interview: Methodology, mobility and place
DOI: 10.1016/j.apgeog.2010.09.005

Environmental Governance

Living laboratories for sustainability: exploring the politics and epistemology of urban adaptation

Organic public geographies: making the connection

Carbon claims and energy landscapes: Exploring the political ecology of biomass
DOI: 10.1080/01426390903564879

The challenge of regulating private wildlife ranches for conservation in South Africa
DOI: 10.5751/ES-03349-150228

Living laboratories for sustainability: Exploring the politics and epistemology of urban transition
DOI: 10.4324/9780203839249

New school geographies: engaging young people?

The importance of context for effective public engagement: Learning from the governance of waste
DOI: 10.1080/09640568.2010.495503

'I've paid to observe lions, not map roads!' - An emotional journey with conservation volunteers in South Africa
DOI: 10.1016/j.geoforum.2009.09.001

Organic regeneration and sustainability or can the credit crunch save our cities?
DOI: 10.1080/13549830903090661

Understanding networks at the science-policy interface
DOI: 10.1016/j.geoforum.2009.03.007

Selling conservation? Scientific legitimacy and the commodification of conservation tourism

Mobile methodologies: Theory, technology and practice
Rethinking sustainable urban regeneration: Ambiguity, creativity, and the shared territory
DOI: 10.1068/a39293

Geography and paratactical interdisciplinarity: Views from the ESRC-NERC PhD studentship programme
DOI: 10.1016/j.geoforum.2006.03.007

Creativity, group pedagogy and social action: A departure from gough
DOI: 10.1111/j.1469-5812.2007.00334.x

Exploring space and place with walking interviews

Exploring the role of private wildlife ranching as a conservation tool in South Africa: Stakeholder perspectives

Social Constructions of Nature

Social learning from public engagement: Dreaming the impossible?
DOI: 10.1080/09640560802208140

The spatial politics of conservation planning

Towards Lefebvrian socio-nature? A film about rhythm, nature and science

Urban Regeneration in the UK: theory and practice

What is geography's contribution to making citizens?

'It's more than just what it is': defetishising commodities, expanding fields, mobilising change...
DOI: 10.1016/j.geoforum.2006.08.015

Made in...? Appreciating the everyday geographies of connected lives

Wildlife corridors: An urban political ecology
DOI: 10.1080/13549830601133169
Creativity, Group Pedagogy and Social Action: a Departure from Gough Educational Philosophy and Theory
DOI: 10.1111/j.1469-5812.2007.00334

It's more than just what it is': defetishising commodities, changing pedagogies, situating ethics
Evans, J., 2007, In: Geoforum. 38(6)

Report for Inventory Study on Natural Environment Data II
Evans, J., Department For Environment, F. & Affairs, R., 2007, No publisher name.

Urban regeneration, governance and the state: Exploring notions of distance and proximity
DOI: 10.1080/00420980600749951

Lost in translation? Exploring the interface between local environmental research and policymaking
DOI: 10.1068/a37393

Time for sustainability: exploring time, the city and non-humans
Jones, P. & Evans, J., 2006, University of Birmingham, 10 p. (School of Geography, Earth & Environmental Sciences; no. 67).

Biodiversity

Large-scale Urban Regeneration and Sustainability: Reflections on the 'Barriers' Typology


What is local about local environmental governance? Observations from the local biodiversity action planning process
DOI: 10.1111/j.0004-0894.2004.00224.x

Political ecology, scale and the reproduction of urban space: the case of Vincent Drive
Evans, J., 2004, University of Birmingham, 34 p. (Birmingham School of Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences; no. 66).

Biodiversity conservation and brownfield planning: a scalar political ecology

A manifesto for cyborg pedagogy?
Evans, J., 2002, In: International Research in Geographical and Environmental Education. 10 (2)

Awards

Projects

Accelerating the University Living Labs Innovation System
Evans, J. & Karvonen, A.
Assessing the use of Living Labs in Urban Sustainability Research
Evans, J.
1/09/10 → 30/12/10

Boda-Boda Capturing the importance of unregulated motorcycle taxis to sustainable urban transport in the Global South
Evans, J. & O'Brien, J.
7/07/15 → 6/07/16

CORONA- City Observatory Research platform for Innovation and Analytics
Evans, J. & Topping, D.
1/02/18 → 31/01/20

Data integration model for exposure modelling (DIMEX-UK)
Topping, D., Coe, H. & Evans, J.
6/01/20 → 31/03/22

EPSRC Institutional Sponsorship: Connected Nation Theme
Jay, C., Brown, G., Evans, J., Keane, J., Marjanovic, O., Parisio, A. & Stancu, A.
1/11/16 → 31/03/17

ESRC IAA 2013-Shaping the Future City? Enabling world-class sustainable development
Evans, J.
1/02/14 → 31/07/14

INTALInC: International Network for Transport and Accessibility in Low Income Communities (INTALInC)
Lucas, K., Tsoneva, E., Evans, J. & O'Brien, J.
1/01/17 → ...

Learning loops in sustainable urban design: Social Return on Investment (SROI) and the commercial building.
Evans, J.
1/10/12 → 30/09/15

LOOPER
Evans, J. & Ravetz, J.
1/06/17 → 1/06/20

DSH: NERC Digital Solutions Programme (FULL APPLICATION) (AWARD)
Kingston, R., Evans, J., Lindley, S., Ainsworth, J., Brass, A., Jay, C., Coe, H., Topping, D. & Sharmina, M.
1/10/21 → 31/12/25

Pathways to Urban Sustainability: Unlocking Evidence to Improve Walking in the Global South
Evans, J.
1/09/18 → 31/03/19

RE3 - Rethinking Resources and Recycling
1/01/19 → 31/12/20

Rescue Geography: Developing Methods for Public Geographies
Evans, J.
1/09/07 → 31/08/08
S.Clinch: Human-Driven Pervasive Data Application
Clinch, S., Bechhofer, S., Evans, J., Jay, C., McLachlan, C. & Parisio, A.
12/06/17 → 30/07/17

SCI re assignment of 57604 for 18-19
1/09/18 → 31/12/19

STEP’s- Sustainable Transport Equity Partnerships
Evans, J.
1/01/19 → 31/07/19

The Relationship Between Health and Social Mobility, Social Cohesion and Social Capital
Munford, L., Chandola, T., Evans, J., Kontopantelis, E., Panagioti, M. & Sutton, M.
16/03/20 → 31/12/22

Transport & Mobility
1/09/20 → …

Transport and Mobilities: Meeting the Needs of Vulnerable Population in Developing Cities
Evans, J. & O’Brien, J.
2/01/17 → 30/06/18

Triangulum: The Three Point Project (Demonstrate, Disseminate, Replicate)
Evans, J., Cotton, I., Karvonen, A. & Paskaleva-Shapira, K.
1/02/15 → 31/01/20

UK Collaboratorium for Research in Infrastructure & Cities: Urban Observatories (Strand B)
Evans, J. & Topping, D.
1/04/19 → 31/03/20

Urban Living Labs.
Evans, J.
1/09/14 → 31/10/16

Well cities: Implementing a wellbeing valuation toolkit for urban learning
Evans, J.
1/02/17 → 31/07/17