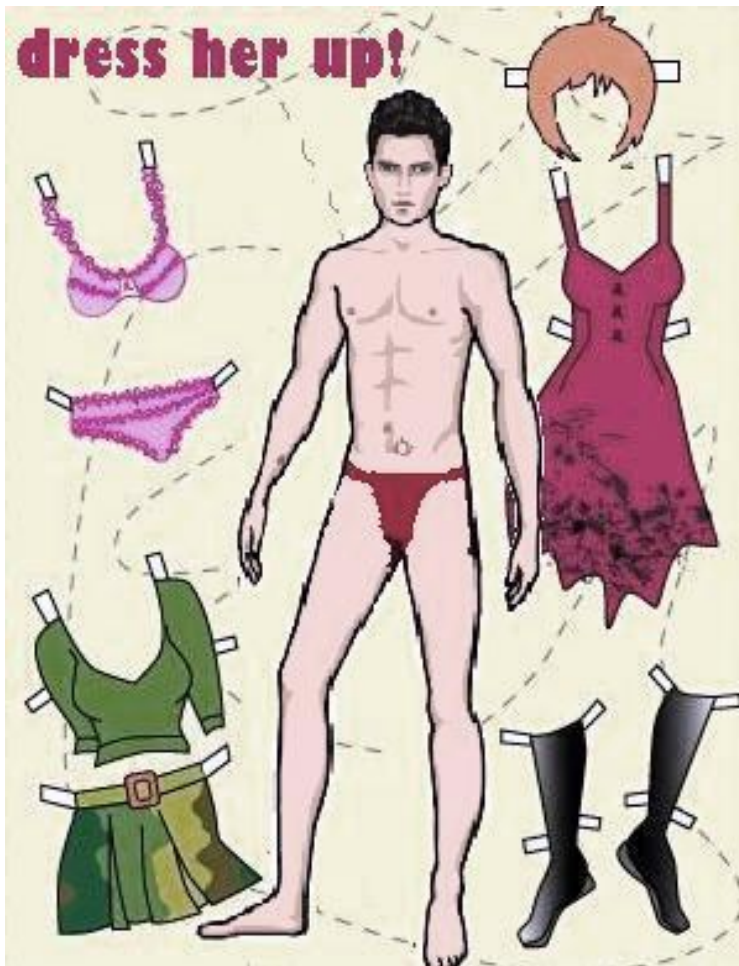




Identities in Transition

ESRC Seminar Series: Sustainability
Transitions - rethinking everyday
practices, identities and livelihoods

Thinking queerly about identities



- From political economies of identity to political ecologies of identity
- Lessons from queer theoretical approaches
 - Thinking of sexuality as an assemblage (of practices, bodies, discourses etc)
 - Understanding identity as performed
 - Recognising that bodies, acts and identities do not always align as expected

Towards a green and *just* future



- From environmental activism to environmental solutions
- Lessons from eco-housing:
 - Importance of cultural analysis of housing and home, people more important than structure
 - Attachment to counter-cultural 'alternative' identity
 - Missing concerns for justice and equality
 - Hidden discourses around gender, and absence of discourse on race, sexuality, disability etc



Key themes

- The seminar focuses on three interlinked themes:
 - How contemporary identities have been shaped by the high carbon economy
 - How those identities might change and be reconfigured through the process of transition to a sustainable, low carbon future
 - What it means to identify with (movements for) sustainability transitions.



Time	Title	Speaker(s)
09.30 – 10.00	Coffee and registration	
10.00 – 10.15	Identities in Transition: some observations and questions	Gavin Brown & Jenny Pickerill
10.15 – 10.30	Introductions and goals	All
10.30 – 11.30	Managing trade-offs in ‘ecotopia’: becoming green at the Centre for Alternative Technology.	Jon Anderson
11.30 – 12.30	Panel discussion: Addressing diverse identities in climate change activism and advocacy	Michelle Bastian (Transition Liverpool); Shumaisa Khan (Wisdom in Nature);
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch and informal discussion	
13.30 – 14.30	Workshop: “Permaculture” and the escape into Whiteness: Sustainability Transitions and Racialism	Joseph De Lappe
14.30 – 15.30	The Footpaths project: facilitating low carbon lifestyles	Jill Fisher and Emily Hodgkinson
15.30 – 15.45	Coffee	
15.45 – 16.45	Transitioning to Lower-carbon Identities: Three Tales from the ‘Everyday’	Robyn Dowling
16.45 – 17.30	Closing discussion	All