

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **Current Status:**

Lecturer in Applied Social Sciences, University of Bradford, since February 2001.

### **Previous Employment:**

Lecturer in Applied Community Studies, Manchester Metropolitan University, January 1995 - February 2001.

### **Synopsis:**

Dr Tom Cockburn is a lecturer in Applied Social Sciences at the University of Bradford. He has undertaken research into children and young people with The Childrens' Society, Drugs charities, The YES Forum, various local and national government organisations in the UK. He has published on a wide variety of issues concerning children and young people including: citizenship, theorising participation in public spaces, bridging feminist theory and the sociology of childhood, the history of child welfare organisations, use of ICTs, drug use and research methods with practitioners. Currently his research interests involve children and young people's participation in Europe. He is particularly interested in involving those young people from marginalised communities such as those with disabilities, ethnic minorities and Asylum seekers. Additionally he is interested in models of participatory practice in all sorts of forum ranging from their schools and communities to involvement in national and European governance.

### **Education and Academic Qualifications**

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| 1996      | Ph.D. Department of Sociology, University of Manchester.<br>Title: <a href="#"><u>Reading, Writing and Research: An Evaluative Study of Children in Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century Manchester.</u></a> |
| 1992      | M.Phil. (Econ) University of Manchester.<br>Title: <a href="#"><u>The Sexuality, Education and Employment of Children in Nineteenth and Early Twentieth Century England.</u></a>                                    |
| 1988-1991 | Bachelor of Social Science (First Class Honours in Sociology). University of Manchester.  |

## Select Publications since 2005

- Tom Cockburn (2005) 'Children's Participation in Social Policy: Inclusion, chimera or authenticity?' *Social Policy and Society: A journal of the Social Policy Association*, Vol. 4(2) pp.109-119.
- Tom Cockburn (2005) 'Children and the Feminist Ethic of Care', *Childhood: A Global Journal of Child Research*, Vol. 12(1) pp.71-89.
- Tom Cockburn (2005) 'New Technologies and the Development of a Children's "Community of Interest"', *Community Development Journal*, Vol.40 (3) pp.329-342.
- Tom Cockburn (2005) 'Children as Participative Citizens: A radical pluralist case for 'child-friendly' public communication', *Journal of Social Science*, Vol.9, pp.19-29.
- Tom Cockburn (2006) 'Global Childhood? The Role of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child', in Alan Carling (ed) *Globalisation and Identity*, London: I.B.Tauris.
- Tom Cockburn (2007) 'Reconstructing Children's Agency: Boundaries of "rights" and "care"', in Clare Beckett, Owen Heathcote and Marie Macey (eds) *Negotiating Boundaries: Identities, Sexualities, Diversities*, Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Press.
- Tom Cockburn (2007) "'Performing" Racism: Engaging young supporters of the far right in England', *British Journal of the Sociology of Education*, 28(5): 547-560
- Tom Cockburn (2007) 'Partners in Power: A radically pluralistic form of participative democracy for children and young people', *Children and Society*, 21(6): 446-457.
- Tom Cockburn (2008) 'The Success of the British National Party: The End of British Exceptionalism? In Liz Carnelley (ed) *Responding to the British National Party*, London: SPCK
- Tom Cockburn (2008) 'Children and Deliberative Democracy' in Barry Percy-Smith and Nigel Thomas *Handbook of Children's Participation: Perspectives from theory and practice*, London: Routledge
- Tom Cockburn (2008) 'Fears of Violence amongst English Young People: Disintegration theory and British social policy,' in Wilhelm Heitmeyer and Sandra Hüpping (ed) *New Directions for Youth Development*. San Francisco: Wiley.