

# REGENERATION AND DEGENERATION

A SURF summary for the Scottish Parliament Regeneration and Local Government Committee 26/06/13

## Some key community regeneration policies and resources.

1967 The Urban Aid Programme

1980 The MSC Community Programme

1988 New Life for Urban Scotland (NLUS)

1995 Areas of Priority Treatment (APTs)

1997 Social Inclusion Partnerships (SIPs)

1999 Scottish Parliament established

2001 Communities Scotland created

2001 Community Planning Pilots

2002 Closing the Gap policy statement

2003 Local Govt. Community Planning Act

2003 SG Scottish Centre for Regeneration established.

2004 Urban Regeneration Companies (URCs)

2005 Community Regeneration Fund (CRF)

2006 People and Place: Regeneration Policy Statement

2007 Scottish Government/CoSLA Concordat

2008 Fairer Scotland Fund (FSF)

2008 Communities Scotland Dissolved  
Scottish Enterprise local regeneration remit removed

2011 **National Regeneration Strategy: including:**  
£250m Capital Regeneration Fund  
£50m JESSICA (later SPRUCE) Loan fund  
£6m/yr People and Communities Fund

Scottish Centre for Regeneration closed and 75% cut in regeneration policy support budget.

2012 JESSICA Scotland Trust £15M loan fund

## Some degeneration factors over recent decades.

More low wage, part time and temporary employment

Unemployment and inequality

Disconnection of place and work

Hollowing out of democratic institutions

Social fragmentation

Collapse of public housing investment

Land banking

Regressive taxation trend

Procurement capture by big business

Debt fuelled consumerism

Banking led financial crash

Welfare "reform"

## The big stuff behind the scenes.

S. G. Infrastructure investment - £17,000M in last 5 years.

Public sector procurement - £9,000M/yr

Physical and economic planning

Targeting of public services

Housing subsidy/ investment



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