

## Mind the (Housing) Wealth Gap: Intergenerational justice and family welfare

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Karen Rowlingson will discuss the research CHASM plan to do as part of a Leverhulme Trust project entitled 'Mind the (Housing) Wealth Gap: Intergenerational Justice and Family Welfare'.



The research will take place over 3 years and will focus on the transfers of wealth, particularly housing wealth within families. Firstly it addresses inequalities in society, particularly the uneven distribution of housing wealth within and across generations. Those who do not have access to housing wealth are put at a disadvantage as housing increasingly determines life chances. Secondly, it addresses these inequalities in the context of an ageing society. As people live longer this places growing demands on housing wealth. Parents face a difficult moral dilemma between saving wealth for their own welfare and health needs, against passing wealth on to their children to help them achieve educational, marital or housing aspirations. Thirdly, where housing wealth takes a central role in such decisions, this raises legal concerns about the protection of assets, particularly of vulnerable owners.

### Venue

Room 106, Birmingham Business School