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practitioners perceive themselves differently in such environments and explores the impact this has on their identity as well as the work they carry out with children and families. Leigh's enquiry and compelling

critique into social work, identity and organisations calls for mutual understanding and respect, rather than a culture of blame.