

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910452269003321
Autore	Clapson Mark
Titolo	Anglo-American crossroads [[electronic resource] ] : urban planning and research in Britain, 1940-2010 // Mark Clapson
Pubbl/distr/stampa	London ; ; New York, : Bloomsbury Publishing, 2013
ISBN	1-283-87408-3 1-4411-4477-3
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (225 p.)
Disciplina	307.3416094109045
Soggetti	City planning - Great Britain Urbanization - Great Britain Electronic books.
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Description based upon print version of record.
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references and index.
Nota di contenuto	Title page; Copyright page; Contents; Acknowledgements; Abbreviations; Timeline; Chapter 1: Introduction: The Direction of Travel; Rationale; The scope and content of Anglo-American Crossroads; Chapter 2: Roads to Reconstruction: The Rockefeller Foundation, and the Special Housing Mission to W; Introduction; The Rockefeller Foundation and the wartime British city; The Special Housing Mission to Great Britain, 1942-46; Networks and themes coalesce; Conclusion; Chapter 3: Green Lights for Understanding: The American Contribution to Urban Research in Britain,; Introduction The Institute of Community Studies The Centre for Urban Studies; The Centre for Environmental Studies; The Ditchley Foundation; Social scientists and the Rockefeller Foundation; Conclusion; Chapter 4: Through Roads and Dead Ends: American Influences on Post-war Urban Reconstruction; Introduction; The new towns programme; Travelling beyond the neighbourhood unit; Roads and urban renewal; Radburn and the design of post-war new towns and new communities; Roads, Radburn and the re-thinking of residential areas: The initial planning of Milton Keynes; The final passing of the neighbourhood unit Education and campuses Some conclusions; Chapter 5: Roads to Edge City: Motorization, Milton Keynes and Urbanization After the Era of Recon; Introduction; Edge City; From the detested to the digested city:

Learning from Los Angeles; Roads: Similarities and differences between LA and MK; Shopping centres; Linear parks, waterfronts and redways; LA and MK: Some other differences; Conclusion: England's most American city; Chapter 6: The Opposite Direction: British Influences Upon Privately and Publicly Developed New Town; Introduction; James W. Rouse, Cross Keys and Columbia; Reston, Virginia

The New Communities Development Act of 1968 and the federally assisted new towns in the United States; The ending of the federally assisted new communities; Operation Breakthrough; Conclusion; Chapter 7: Avoiding Danger: The USA and the Regeneration of the Inner City in Britain Since 1970; Introduction; The growth of the inner city problem in Britain; The inner city problem in England and the United States of America; Inner city policies during the late 1960's and the 1970's; The significance of failure: The community development projects Enterprise zones: Business-led solutions to decline during the 1980's and 1990's From Baltimore to Britain: Waterfronts and urban regeneration; Gentrification: Encouraging the middle classes back into the inner cities and the city centres; From SoHo to Soho: Loft living; Conclusion: The special relationship between the British and American city since 1970; Chapter 8: A Coda on New Urbanism: Back to Milton Keynes; High Priests and Princes; New Urbanism and Milton Keynes; Notes; Chapter 1; Chapter 2; Chapter 3; Chapter 4; Chapter 5; Chapter 6; Chapter 7; Chapter 8; Bibliography and Sources  
Archive Sources

---

Sommario/riassunto

The postwar British city has been shaped by many international forces during the last century, but American influences on British urban research and urban planning have been particularly significant. Beginning with debates about reconstruction during the Second World War, *Anglo-American Crossroads* explores how Americanisation influenced key approaches to town planning, from reconstruction after 1945 to the New Urbanism of the 1990's. Clapson pays particular attention to the relationship between urban sociological research and planning issues since the 1950's. He also addresses the ways in which

---