

SCARCE TIMES: ALTERNATIVE FUTURES [1]

Themes we'd
like to
explore

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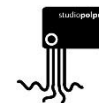
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Empowerment to act

2.

**Channelling
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Designing a mix of alternative currencies, within and outside prevailing economic system.

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within

outside prevalent economic system

LOCAL CURRENCIES

LETs

Time Banking

e.g. Toronto \$ - when traded in 10% goes in a pot to fund local projects – probably better at Borough scale

Tried and tested
Labour/services traded for currency
(e.g. stones)

Could be hyper-local
Time is currency
Intrinsically equal
(1h of my time equals 1h of your time)

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**Fostering initiatives that enable
people to experience (with
some degree of scaffolding)
collective civic action**

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Live Projects JR

School for Civic Action

School **Children** involved in Live
Project s to **act** in their real context –
range of scales, types

Action becomes the norm

For youth and adults – outside school / formal education

Linked to alternative currencies

Linked to BbB Project Office

Learning to influence and to self organise

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Understanding **abundant
resources** and devising
mechanisms to **channel** them
to address scarcity and support
other aspects of the programme
**UNIVERSITIES / COOL EAST
LONDONITES**

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Residents and non residents take part to 'live projects'
contributing time/skills.

Rewards through the local economic system
(e.g. timebank/LETs Credit)

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a neighbourhood [participatory] budget

a cooperative cafe

a network of micro-allotments

a natural playground

a communal laundry

a new neighbourhood strategy for green spaces

a local delivery system

a local repair + remake centre

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Eg.

Interdisciplinary / mixed teams

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Open to All

Mutual

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LOCAL CURRENCIES

youth

cultural agencies

low income

children

students

'home-making women'

children

LETs

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