# Walking the Greenwich Peninsula

A case study on sustainability

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# Immersive Walking – phenomenological approach – embodied practice – tactility of knowing

#### Rebecca Solnit

'walking, ideally, is a state in which the mind, body and the world are aligned'

Likens them to 'three characters finally in conversation together'

Wanderlust

#### Tim Ingold

stories which unfold over time — ongoing process of interaction between people and their surroundings — we perceive with the whole body — movement, locomotion — walking a form of circumambulatory knowing

#### **Christopher Tilley**

landscape never the same twice over — interpretations contingent and provisional — walking in and through landscapes — to touch and be touched by them — the body is the primary research tool — embodiment — experience through medium of sensing and sensed — thick description — repetition — thicker association of the route — emerges a distinctive relationship of place in the interaction between the walker and the environment — familiarity produces a structure of feeling for the landscape

### **Sustainable Development**

# **Bruntdland Report**

"development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs" (WCED, 1987, p.43)

Proposed
interdependence
between three
'pillars' – economic
development, social
equity and
environmental
protection

Definition - vague, ill-defined, slippery.
Ambiguous

Inherently
contradictory economic growth
and development in
conjunction with
ecological
sustainability

Can appeal to
everyone –
contradictory
agendas - described
as a 'political fudge'

Win-Win scenario –
assure profitable
growth through an
association with the
environment
Can neoliberalism

be environmentally

friendly?

# Greenwich Peninsula – 150 years



## **Sustainable Development – Greenwich Peninsula**





























































