

## Leo Care

Leo is currently a freelance architect working for The Bureau of Design Research at the University of Sheffield. He is undertaking a variety of different projects; building design, tutoring and a variety of research based projects. His particular interests lie in engaging communities and specifically young people in the process of design, construction and localised regeneration.

### current projects

**title:** **Primary Ideas: Architectural projects for years seven and over**  
**collaboration:** Bureau of Design Research, Prue Chiles Architects, DfES  
**description:** A book funded by the DfES to be distributed to Primary schools nationwide. The book is intended to encourage schools to make use of their devolved budgets for creative improvements through small-scale projects. Many of the projects are designed to involve pupils and are investigated through live projects at Ballifield Primary School in Sheffield.

**title:** **Hattersley 4 Spaces: Community led design of four recreational spaces**  
**collaboration:** Bureau of Design Research, Eventus, Hattersley Development Trust  
**description:** The 'Four Spaces' project offers Hattersley residents an opportunity to help shape important open spaces in four different neighbourhoods. Local people are key to the success of the schemes, participating in design and realisation. This project offers the whole community a chance to question the relationships between different age groups and reflect on their respective needs. Although the projects are focused on children their needs cannot be addressed in isolation. The needs of youth groups, grown-ups and senior citizens are interconnected and need to be investigated.

**title:** **Studio 2: Strategies of transition**  
**collaboration:** Doina Petrescu, Aidan Hoggard, Brezoi Development Foundation  
**description:** Developing the work started by Studio 2 at the University of Sheffield architecture department. The work focuses on the phenomena of transition and transformation of the socio-political and economic structure in Brezoi, Romania. Student projects engaged local people and specifically children in developing strategies for regeneration.

**title:** **Parkwood Springs Community Vision**  
**collaboration:** Bureau of Design Research, Prue Chiles Architects, SOAR  
**description:** As Architects and independent advisors we worked with SOAR, the Southey and Owlerton Regeneration Board in Sheffield, the local communities and other professionals to develop strategies for regeneration for Southey Owlerton.

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### qualifications / achievements

Dip. Arch. Distinction - University of Sheffield

Stephen Welsh Prize in Architecture - Best performance at Diploma level examination

RIBA Silver Medal entrant

Building Design Magazine: Class of 2002 member

### diploma work

#### thesis project

Cultura: growing participative strategies for the regeneration of Brezoi

#### technical study

Construction: Potentials for a cultivable construction material

#### dissertation

Primary Concerns: Primary School premises and potential ways of implementing participative improvements.

#### live project

Communication Spaces: Research and development of website for Brezoi, Romania.

### other things

Involved in editing the DfES building bulletin: Facilities for sports and performing arts. The document is aimed at improving the quality of Primary and Secondary school facilities.

Researching architecture student's views on construction professionals and others involved in the architectural design process on a RIBA funded programme.

Jointly ran a workshop for the 'Taking Place' school event at the University of Sheffield.

Organised an architectural lecture series for the student society

Designed the 'Participation' lecture series poster for the architecture department

Helped organise the school architecture ball

### interests

I play the violin (grade 8) in a string quartet and also play bass guitar in a band.

I try to get outdoors to play football, hockey, go running and other outdoor pursuits.