

Book Title: Planning London for the Post-War Era 1945-1960

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A very interesting book which deals with the formation of the post-Second World War reconstruction and planning machinery in Great Britain, on the one hand and, on the other, with the re-planning efforts undertaken in post-war London and in particular the redevelopment programme regarding its central area in the form of the comprehensive development projects. The book is structured into three parts. The first one has the title "Reconstruction and Planning Machinery". The second part has the title "Re-planning London" and the third part, is under the title "Redeveloping Central London". The book recounts an example of harmonious collaboration between the private and public sector in the planning of post-war London. In addition, the book extracts research material from original sources, not published before, to make those available to scholars and the general interested public. Finally, the book presents, step by step the British post war urban construction machinery in order to provide an intelligence source for future students, researches and policy makers.

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