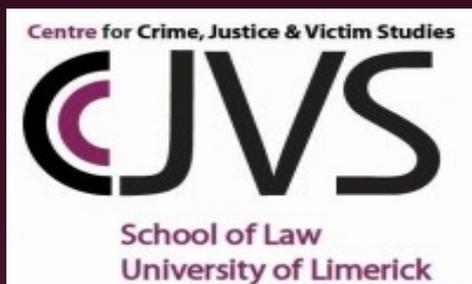




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**Perspectives on hidden victims
'Findings of three new innovative
studies'**

27th April 2017

**Room KBG-12 Kemmy Business
School**

10-12.45

Followed by

Afternoon Masterclass

*2 to 5pm 'Addressing the
complexities involved in
studying vulnerable groups' -
a masterclass for researchers.*

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PROGRAMME

This programme is aimed at youth justice practitioners and academics involved in researching vulnerable groups. Places can be booked for either the morning or afternoon event by emailing eoin.omearadaly@ul.ie



9.15-10.00	Registration	Foyer, Kemmy Business School, University of Limerick.
10.00-10.45	Dr Sean Redmond Adjunct Professor of Youth Justice, School of Law, University of Limerick	<i>‘Why we should be bothered about the influence that locally based criminal networks have on children’</i> Dr Sean Redmond will open the event with this presentation based on his Greentown study into the influence of criminal networks in children’s offending behaviour in Ireland 2010-2014. This paper will outline the background to the Greentown study, its objectives, the limitations of the extant knowledge on children’s involvement in adult criminal networks and key research findings. The paper will also highlight the key policy implications arising from the Greentown study.
10.45-11.30	Dr Nicola Carr Associate Professor in Criminology, University of Nottingham	<i>‘Young people’s experiences of paramilitary violence within their communities in contemporary Northern Ireland’</i> Dr Nicola Carr will be presenting on this research that highlights the processes through which young people become subject to paramilitary ‘justice’ and their negotiation of the multiple risks they face. (Carr, Dwyer and McAlister, 2017). The presentation will explore the relevance and meaning of ‘justice’, ‘community’, ‘rights’ and ‘protection’ for young people living within these contexts.
11.30-12.15	Dr Johnny Connolly Irish Research Council Fellow, Centre for Crime, Justice and Victim Studies, School of Law, University of Limerick	<i>‘Drug debt intimidation – community violence and the hidden victims’</i> This presentation describes a novel research study that investigated the drug-related intimidation of drug users and their families, mostly caused by drug debt. This is a hidden harm that is causing immense distress in many communities but that largely goes unreported and unrecorded officially. The study, a collaboration between the Health Research Board and the Citywide Drugs Crisis Campaign in 2015 involved an analysis of 140 incidents of intimidation and eighteen focus groups involving 150 people, including former prisoners, travellers, youth and family support workers.
12.15-12.45		Chaired Panel Discussion

This event is being kindly hosted in the University of Limerick by the Centre for Criminal Justice and Victim Studies within the School of Law and limited to 80 places

2 to 5pm	Afternoon Masterclass- 'Addressing the complexities involved in studying vulnerable groups' - a masterclass for researchers.	This informal session targets the research community and will share learning from the three researchers, Dr Sean Redmond, Dr Nicola Carr and Dr Johnny Connolly, upon their encountering of the methodological and ethical issues involved in researching vulnerable groups. This afternoon session is informal and based around short inputs and discussions (Limited to 20 places)
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