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Alison Body is a Senior Lecturer in the School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research, and a member of the Centre for Philanthropy. She started her career in 2001 working in children and youth charities, specialising in early intervention services and advocating for children's participation rights. Her experience includes leading a large children's charity, strategic development of the third sector, commissioning, fundraising and volunteer management. Her research explores civic learning, voluntary action, philanthropy and the third sector, particularly in relation to children, young people and education. She is currently leading a 3-year national study called Educating for Public Good, exploring how children learn philanthropic behaviours within school.

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