

A STUDY ON THE COMMUNITY ORGNIZING IN PLANNED URBAN AREAS DURING THE PROCESS
OF URBAN SHRINKING

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This study aims to induce useful information about the way how planned new towns, which was planned for self-completion and self-contain in growing society, can or should deal with the smart shrinking. As we have already exerted the study as for unplanned urban area, it is an expansion of the former research.

The methods of study are observation and hearing survey as for the (old) new towns of overseas and Japan, comparing with the unplanned area and focusing on the movement or its bud in different situation from the period when they were planned. The case studies are exerted for the suburban area in New York and Pittsburg, new town or suburban redevelopment area in UK.

As results, our old hypothesis, "An active community has sustainable and continual activities through a kind of commons", is also upheld for new towns and planned areas. In fact we have found that the subjective power manages the commons, and the process and spirit are inherited.

Moreover we can guess the statement is no longer true that there is difference between Japanese new towns and overseas (especially English) one as for the self-completion and self-contain.

Therefore it can be said that suburban planned areas, as well as unplanned areas, are gradually raising the potential to create diversity. In this sense, the survey suggests the importance of reconsidering "time" when you make plans.