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**Articles and enquiries** should be emailed to the Editor(s): T.B.Kelly@dundee.ac.uk trevithick4gaps@btinternet.com

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### Groupwork

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The successful applicant will be expected to take up their role in August or September 2011. For further information, please email or phone Tim Kelly (direct phone line: 01382 381 534).

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A research exercise on the state of social work with groups is underway with the the objectives of:

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To take part in the research, you must have facilitated, or co-facilitated at least one groupwork interventions in the last 3 years.

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Many thanks in advance for your participation in this study, and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions

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Many thanks in advance, Annie

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