

# The impact of poverty and what it means for practitioners

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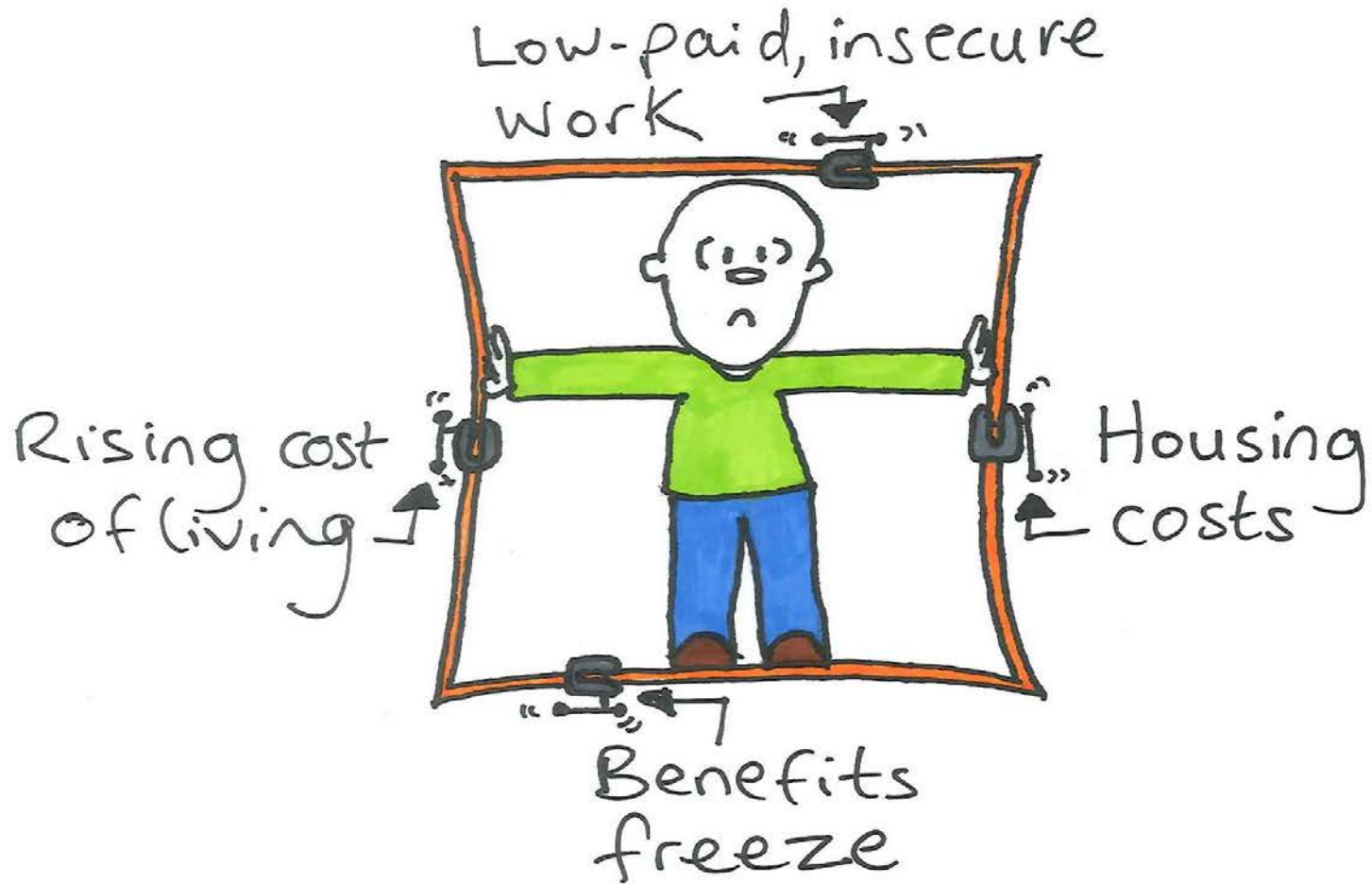
Sarah Campbell

*Social workers tend to get involved in people's lives in **times of crisis**, times of difficulty, ill health, danger. Our role is to **support people** through those times.*  
Ben, Social Worker, June 2014

*A social worker is someone there to **support families** and to take a child into care where there is abuse or neglect but where this is not the case, and the circumstance is **one of poverty or learning difficulties** then the **family should be supported**.*  
Tammy, Parent, June 2014

*‘A child’s chances of coming into contact with the care system are much greater if he or she lives in an area of social deprivation’*

*Bywaters.P, 2018*







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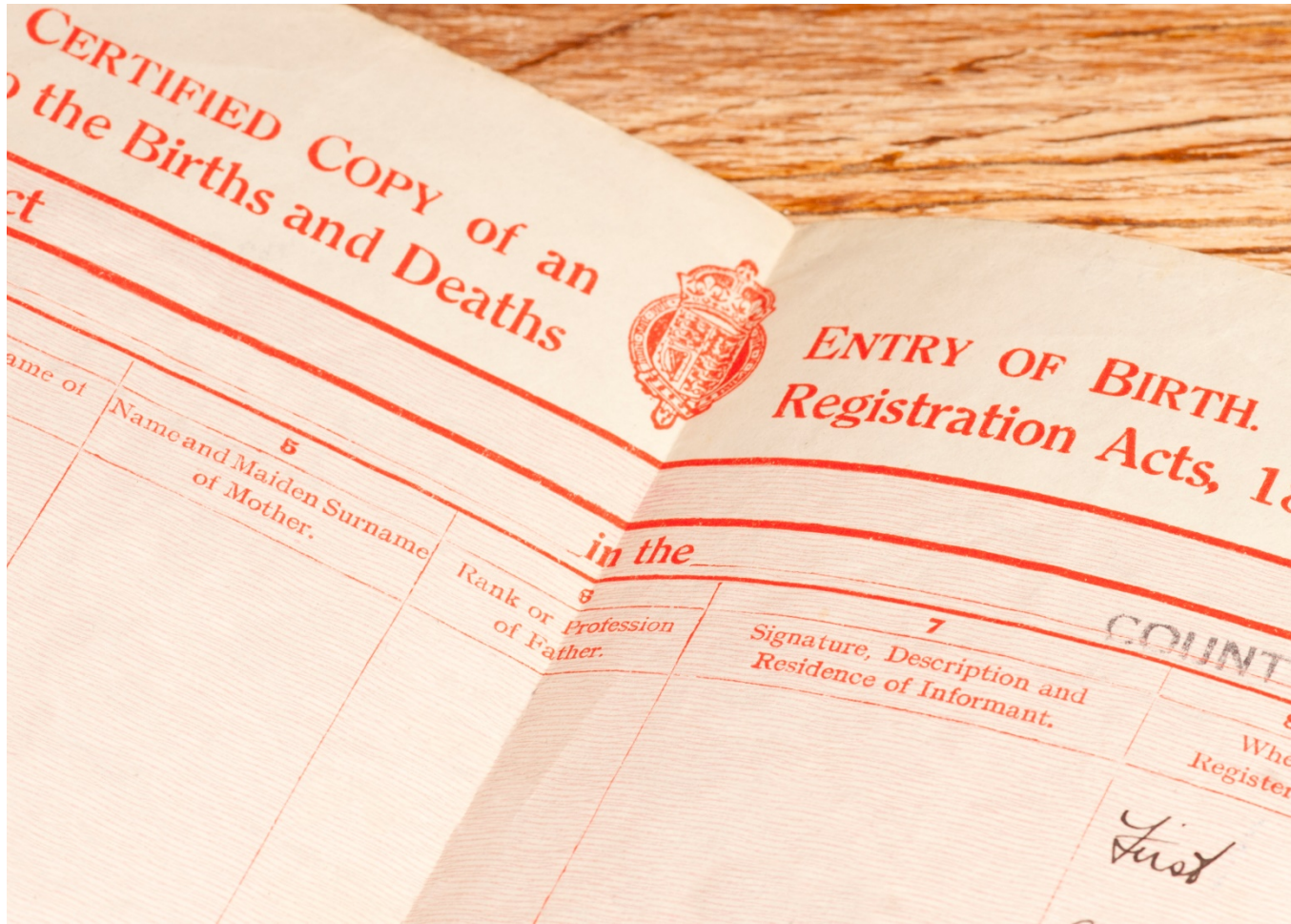
**Alaia Williams**

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***Despite widespread advocacy of early intervention programmes resources for early support services ...have decreased significantly over the past 7 years.***

Bywaters. P et al, March 2016





But the social security system can be redesigned to help people stay afloat when they're struggling.

Circumstances like losing a job or a relationship break-up can pull people into poverty.



***“...the ones who got my son  
respite care, helped buy a  
new carpet that was really  
needed, accompanied my son  
when being bullied at school.  
These things have really  
helped keep my family  
together”***

Eighth Giving Poverty a Voice  
Social Worker Training Programme Study Group,  
March 2018



