

# Advisory Council of Empire Settlement, United Kingdom

1925 – 1981

**Other Names:**

- Church of England Council of Empire Settlement
- Advisory Council of Empire Settlement
- Church of England Council for Commonwealth and Empire Settlement
- Church of England Council for Commonwealth Settlement
- Committee for Overseas Settlement

## Details

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The Church of England's migration committee (which had a number of different names) organised the migration of British children to Swan Homes in Western Australia. In his history of Swan Homes, Roy Peterkin recalled the roles of two key people in arranging the migration of more than 200 children to Swan Homes over a period of 12 years. These were Mr Alfred Arthur Robertson (Office Manager at Swan Homes and Immigration Officer for the Anglican Church in WA) and the Secretary of the Anglican migration committee in London, Miss Enid Jones MBE. Writing about this in 1988, Peterkin (p.107) acknowledged that it was a 'weakness' of the scheme that there were 'no detailed case-histories' of the British children who were sent to Swan Homes.

## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Related Events

- [Inquiry Into Child Migration, Parliament of Australia \(2000 - 2001\)](#)
- [Inquiry into the Welfare of Former British Child Migrants, House of Commons Health Committee, Parliament of the United Kingdom \(July 1997 - 23 July 1998\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Swan Homes \(1943 - 1959\)](#)
- [The Children's Society, United Kingdom \(1881 - current\)](#)  
Children from The Children's Society homes emigrated to Australia under The Church of England Advisory Council of Empire Settlement's child migration scheme.

### Resources

- Independent Inquiry Child Sexual Abuse, [Child Migration Programmes Investigation Report](#), March 2018

### Other Resources



**Title:** Moss Report Implementation [Excerpt] - Swan Homes

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## Records

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- [Records of the Church of England Council for Empire Settlement \[Council for Overseas Settlement\] \(1925 - 1981\)](#)
- [John Moss C.B.E. U.K. Child Welfare Expert. Visit to Australia. Part II, National Archives of Australia \(1951 - 1952\)](#)
- [Various indexes to assisted immigrants, 1919+ \(1919 - 1949\)](#)
- [Batch and Miscellaneous Subject Files \[Files relating to child and youth migration\] \(1871 - 1980\)](#)

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