Memory Block explores the phenomena of the now demolished Heygate Estate becoming the go-to 'urban dystopia' film location for over 70 feature films and crime series from 2007-10. Memory Block shows up the systematic long-term disinvestment of the 'problem' estate that came to be seen as 'sexy' in the symbolic economy. Memory Block suggests this fetishization of planned underdevelopment and deprivation is part of the Degeneration phase of 'redevelopment' and serves the useful purpose in the developer's social cleansing process by further distorting and wiping social memory.

## MEMORY BLOCK

Chris Saunders, *Memory Block*,15 min, 2016, video, *Reconstruction*, 8 min, 1993, video and *Occupation* 11 min, 2016, video.

Saturday 26th November 2016

Screening 7pm

Philadelphia Association, 4 Marty's Yard, Hampstead, London NW3 IQW

Screening/talk introduced by Dr. Paul Watt, Reader in Urban Studies, Birkbeck, UCL

Bar. Doors open 6.30 pm. Seating for 40. Please RSVP. chrisfsau@gmail.com chrisfranksaunders.uk