



Black & Minority Ethnic (BME) Engagement Forum Bulletin

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The BME Forum supports the development of an infrastructure that enables BME community groups to be actively engaged with Derbyshire County Council (DCC) and provide feedback on DCC's policy and service developments.

[*Derbyshire County Council BME Forum Website Information*](#)

The Forum supports member organisations to deliver projects to their service users e.g. BME Carers Project, BME Mental Health Scheme.

[*BME Planning and Forum Meeting Dates 2019*](#)

This is the first bulletin from the BME Engagement Forum. It will be produced quarterly and will include up to date news about the member groups & the Forum.

Member Organisations



A.C.C.A.

**CHESTERFIELD & DISTRICT
AFRICAN/CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY
ASSOCIATION**

African Caribbean Community Association

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

Luncheon Club – Wednesdays 12pm – 2pm

The ACCA is established to promote the welfare of the African Caribbean Community in Chesterfield and surrounding areas, in particular by providing:

- a) Opportunities for African Caribbean people to meet socially for mutual support to / perform in artistic and cultural activities.
- b) An organisation to educate the community about the culture and history of the African and Caribbean peoples, and to press for the removal of barriers which deny members of the African/Caribbean community an equal opportunity to participate in the community.



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ASIAN ASSOCIATION
Chesterfield & N Derbyshire

Asian Association of Chesterfield & North Derbyshire

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

LUNCHEON CLUB: 11am 4pm- Thursdays
£1 Entry, Contact: Kinnera Magesh

The Association has existed in one form or another for more than 38 years. The Association was created initially by medical professionals coming to the United Kingdom to work in the NHS to provide a social network.

The Association was initially informal but progressed and rented small premises following this model until November 2009 when it managed to lease the current premises at Hasland. Since moving the Association has been able to gradually increase and diversify membership. There is also a significant following from non-members that can access the Associations resources and support network.

The Association runs a weekly Luncheon Club and respite & drop-in service for the carers and elder members who live in isolation due to ill health or mobility issues. The Association provides support to the visually impaired, members undergoing cancer treatment, members undergoing domestic violence and learning disability.



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Chesterfield Filipino Community Association

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

The CFCA is a community of Filipinos, non-Filipino partners, families, and those with Filipino background and origins. It aims to provide appropriate services and activities to meet the cultural needs of its members and promote Filipino culture in Chesterfield.

COSTS: £1 per month. **OPENING TIMES:** Monthly meetings as convenient for officials and members.

To advocate the interests and rights of the Filipino Community living in districts of Chesterfield, North East Derbyshire, Bolsover and surrounding areas.

To promote social integration, social awareness and provide appropriate services and activities to meet the cultural needs of the community.

Opening Times: Monthly regular meetings of management committee held on the last Saturday or Sunday of the month at 7pm. Networking available all time. Meetings are held at the Chair's home, Hasland Baptist Hall and at the Parish Centre, Stonegravels.



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Chesterfield Muslim Association



Chesterfield Muslim Association

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

The aims of the Association shall be to advance the Islamic Faith among Muslim people in Chesterfield and North-East Derbyshire and advance public education about the Islamic Faith in the area.

"To provide facilities for religious services, education, recreation and other leisure-time occupation for the inhabitants of Chesterfield and North-East Derbyshire and in particular Muslim people in the interests of Social Welfare and so that their conditions may be improved.

a) Providing information and advice on Welfare, Immigration and other matters affecting the Muslim Community; Including assistance with translation where necessary.

b) Providing opportunities for Muslim people to meet socially.



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Chesterfield & North East Derbyshire Muslim Women's Group

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

Sewing Class

Day: Monday Time: 9:30-11:30

Kids Arts & Crafts!

Day: Saturday Time: 2:30- 4:30

The aims of the group shall be:

- Provide a range of activities for Muslim Women
- To encourage Muslim Women to gain knowledge and learn new skills
- Improve health & well being of Muslim Women
- To share knowledge and understanding about Muslim culture with the wider community.



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Chesterfield & North Eastern Derbyshire Chinese Elders Group

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

The aim of the group shall be to provide Chinese elders with social recreation & healthy activities.

To offer support to members to make contact with statutory agencies e.g. health & local authority.



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DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP



Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

The Group is established for the benefit of the Gypsy community particularly but not exclusively, in the County of Derbyshire, and surrounding area, and in particular to campaign for the human rights of Gypsies, to work to improve their education, health and living conditions, and to promote and organize co-operation in the achievement of these purposes.



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Long Eaton Indian Community Association

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

Self-help group offering support to men and women in Long Eaton and surrounding areas. The group help members with low self-esteem to build up their confidence and wellbeing and be more independent and to reduce social isolation among lonely people. To promote bringing people together and make society more happy and enjoyable by having joint social activities. The group offers a chance to talk, share experiences and problems and get a moral and psychological uplift. We play cards, board games and have light chair based exercises. Refreshments are served. Three or four outings and social functions per year are arranged.

The group provides the elderly, disabled and lonely a friendly, caring, healthy and supporting environment. For many, especially Indian women, this is their only place to come outside the family.



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Wed - 10am - 4pm

Thurs - 10am - 4pm

Fri - 10am - 2pm