**Manchester BME Network Bulletin**

**Wednesday 29 August 2018**

**Network news**

Next Joint BME Networks Event

**Thursday 27 September 10am -2pm**

**GMCVO, St Thomas Centre, Ardwick Green North, Ardwick, Manchester, M12 6FS**

Please join us at our next network meeting held jointly with our colleagues at the GMBME Network with speakers, workshops, networking and a lovely lunch.

Places are free to full BME members – a £20 charge applies to anyone else.

Please click [here](https://www.gmcvo.org.uk/greater-manchester-and-manchester-bme-network-joint-networking-event-3) to book. More details to follow.

**Information and Events**

Last chance to nominate for Pride of Britain award

ITV are looking for nominations for people who've gone the extra mile for a good cause, raising money in interesting & unique ways. The key thing is they're looking for people from ALL backgrounds. The only thing they ask is that they're over 16 years old, they live in the North West of England (Granada region) and have raised money for charity in the last 12 months.

**Deadline: Friday 31 August**

To nominate go to <http://www.itv.com/prideofbritain>

Festival of Manchester

**Saturday 1 September, noon-10pm**

**Platt Fields**

The Festival is a celebration of all the different ingredients that help make Manchester such a vibrant place and will bring together everything that is great about the city including a fashion show (2-3pm) from MBME Network members, CDMUK. Find out full programme here:

[www.festivalofmanchester.uk](http://www.festivalofmanchester.uk)

Laughter Yoga Games Event with We Stand Together

**Sunday 2 September, 3.15-4.45pm at The Comedy Store Manchester.**

A ***We Stand Together*** event for all backgrounds and beliefs to speak the universal languages of love and laughter. A community based, volunteer led, not-profit event.

**Tickets:** £4/£2 <https://thecomedystore.co.uk/manchester/show/uk-laughter-championships/>

For group rates for community organisations please contact Robin Graham: [robin@feelgoodcommunities.org](mailto:robin@feelgoodcommunities.org)

Have your say: Infrastructure Focus Groups

OM Funds Programme Management Team are reviewing the VCS Infrastructure contract with Macc and as part of the review, are running three focus group sessions in September which we urge you to attend. This will provide an opportunity to meet with them face to face and tell them about your experiences working with Macc and to help shape what the future VCS infrastructure support contract should look like. The sessions are being held at the following centres:

**South Manchester**

Monday 10th September 2018

Whalley Range Community Forum

12:30pm - 3:30pm

[Please click here to book a ticket](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/vcs-infrastructure-focus-session-south-tickets-49032989993)

**North Manchester**

Wednesday 12th September 2018

Irish World Heritage Centre

12:30pm - 3:30pm

[Please click here to book a ticket](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/vcs-infrastructure-focus-session-north-tickets-49033043152)

**Central Manchester**

Thursday 13th September 2018

Manchester Central Community Fire Station

10:00am - 1:00pm

[Please click here to book a ticket](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/vcs-infrastructure-focus-session-central-registration-49033308947)

Big Alcohol Conversation Workshop

**Wednesday 12September 2018**

**GMCVO, St Thomas Centre, Ardwick Green North, Ardwick, Manchester, M12 6FS**

The Big Alcohol Conversation Design workshop offers you/your organisation the opportunity to contribute to the design of the GM Big Alcohol Conversation, especially the Community Engagement element, which will be delivered by the VCSE sector.

GMCVO and 10GM are leading on the Community Engagement element of the Conversation. We will be commissioning VCSE organisations to carry out various kinds of structured conversations with their contacts, targeting those people least likely to be heard within the mainstream conversations.

If you have knowledge of alcohol-related issues in GM, work with individuals or communities affected by alcohol-related harm, including young people and children; or work with people who for any reason are less likely to be heard within the mainstream conversations book your place [click here](https://www.gmcvo.org.uk/sites/all/modules/civicrm/extern/url.php?u=73419&qid=3241072).

Northern Gateway Framework Consultation

A huge consultation is now open about the Northern Gateway – a major project to build 15,000 homes north of the Manchester city centre over the next 20 years. It is one of the largest regeneration projects in the UK and Manchester City Council are keen to gather as many local opinions as possible through a questionnaire filled in either online or at one of the consultation drop-in events. You can find more information [here.](https://secure.manchester.gov.uk/info/200109/council_news/7315/news_-_august_issue/3)

Equality and Merit Scholarships at the University of Manchester

The Equity and Merit Scholarships are available for academically excellent professionals from Ethiopia, Rwanda, Uganda and Tanzania - There are 27 in total (17 for full-time study and 10 for part-time distance learning study). Full-time courses can be undertaken on campus or via distance learning. The 10 part-time scholarships are for distance learning courses only. Full information can be found here:

ttps://www.gdi.manchester.ac.uk/study/taught-masters/funding-opportunities/equity-merit-scholarships/?mc\_cid=6335a89f8f&mc\_eid=02cfb0fc14

**Small Grants Inclusion**

**Around 20 small grants of up to £2,000 are available**, to support voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations that are providers of universal  
youth and play, culture or leisure services in making sustainable improvements  
to the mainstream inclusion of children and young people with special educational  
needs and / or disabilities.

[Click here for more information and to apply](https://www.manchestercommunitycentral.org/sites/all/modules/civicrm/extern/url.php?u=445916&qid=6283367)

**The deadline for bids is midday on Monday 10 September 2018**

**Mental Health Awareness Act Event**

**Wednesday 12 September, 10am- 1pm**

**Centre of Wellbeing, Training & Culture, Unique Enterprise Centre (Floor 1), Belfield Road, ochdale OL16 2UP**

CWTC is hosting the following free event to raise awareness of the Mental Health Act and educate people on the facts.

Free Refreshments will be provided. Support is also available in Urdu. To register, please click the following link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-act-awareness-event-tickets-47983805855>

*‘Knowledge Brokers in Migrant Third Sector Organisations*’ Workshop

**Wednesday 19th September 10.30am-4.30pm**

**Sheffield Quakers, 10 St James' St, Sheffield, S1 2EW.**

The Open University and Oxford University are working in collaboration to hold a free interactive ESRC funded workshop to address the brokering role of refugee and migrant front-line staff in the migration third sector. It proposes a platform for exchange on the potential innovations as well as challenges, that emerge when the identities and experiences of front-line staff in the migration third sector overlap with that of service users.

The purpose of the workshop is to create a space for different stakeholders to reflect on obstacles and opportunities around the status of migrant staff’s experiential knowledge within third sector organisations. A range of stakeholders tare invited to the workshop who have experience of the front-line in migrant third sector organisations, including, paid and unpaid roles, case workers and managers - asylum seekers and refugees working/volunteering in front-line roles are particularly welcome to attend and share their experiences.

To encourage equal opportunities to access the workshop we are offering a £50 travel bursary to all registered participants.

**Pakistani Diaspora Leaders Programme**

**23 - 26 October** in **London**

This programme is run in partnership with the British Council and will be the third leadership development programme delivered for Pakistani Diaspora leaders**.** Whilst the programme takes place in London, it is open to Pakistani Diaspora from across the UK. **There is no cost to the participants, except travel and accommodation (as required)**.

We are looking for exceptional Pakistani diaspora leaders at any career stage, from all and any sectors. The deadline for applications is **12 September.** Further details and an application form can be found here - <https://commonpurpose.formstack.com/forms/pakistani_diaspora_programme>

Natwest WISE100 nominations open

Nominations have opened for this year’s NatWest WISE100 (Women in Social Enterprise 100), recognising 100 of the most inspiring and influential women in social enterprise. Anyone can enter but they are particularly interested in hearing about women in early stage social enterprise, women working with BME Communities and women working with Refugees. Nominations close on 2October.

<https://www.pioneerspost.com/news-views/20180816/natwest-wise100-2018-nominations-now-open>

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Civil Society Strategy Launch

This month has seen the Office for Civil Society Launch it’s first Civil Society Strategy in 15 years with the aim of building stronger communities by bringing businesses, charities, and the public sector together and put communities and charities at the heart of decision making. Read more about it here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/civil-society-strategy-building-a-future-that-works-for-everyone>

Generation Revolution

New feature length film on the new generation of BME Activists in London.

<https://genrevfilm.com/?v=79cba1185463>

Black History Month opportunity

Tommie Smith will be in the UK for 4 days to mark the 50th anniversary of the protest at the 1968 Mexico Olympics. A protest rooted in civil and human rights, also commonly referred to as the Black Power Salute. His partners have lined up 2 events in London and are now seeking to acquire 2 more events or commercial sponsors/partners.

If you are interested in doing an event to co-inside with Black History Month please contact Peter 07956 816452 for more info.

**E-bulletins**

Manchester Community Central Weekly Bulletin

A weekly bulletin with events, news, vacancies, **funding streams and training** for Voluntary and Community Groups in Manchester. Well worth a look if you have not yet subscribed.

<https://www.manchestercommunitycentral.org/civicrm/mailing/view?reset=1&id=2576>

Inspire Levenshulme Community Centre news

Events, Community Kitchen, free meals for kids, café and more

<https://mailchi.mp/aaf92af77721/2018inspire-2890013?e=4d52795ee0>

GMCVO Newsletter

Events, news, funding, vacancies – join here for your copy

<https://www.gmcvo.org.uk/mailing-preference-form>

GMCVO Health and Social Care Bulletin

https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/news

Greater Manchester Poverty Action bulletin

The increasing demand for emergency food support, report on the first Food Power Conference, Salford’s hidden young people, housing in Manchester and more.

<https://www.gmpovertyaction.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/August-8th-2018.pdf>

Great Manchester Combined Authority bulletin

News from GMCA and the Manchester Mayor – sign up here:

<https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/news>

Equality and Diversity Forum newsletter

News, resources, events and jobs from across the equality spectrum – every fortnight

<http://www.edf.org.uk/get-involved/newsletter/>

**Job Vacancies & Volunteering**

Muslim Women’s Network Vacancy

**Job Title**: **Community Outreach Worker**

**Salary**: £20 253 (pro rata) – (N.B. full working week is 37 hours)

**Hours**: Part-time hours: 15 hours / 2 days per week

**Location**: Manchester

**Job Type**: Contract - 12 months

**Deadline for Applications**: Extended to Friday 7 September 2018

Full details: <http://www.mwnuk.co.uk/noticeDetail.php?id=293>

Manchester International Festival opportunities

New roles at [MIF](https://mif.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=7c8e3b75543666c7c42b2bab4&id=d157403cae&e=5fef607deb) from Content Producer to Festival Square Co-ordinator, Guest Relationship Manager to Digital Marketing Assistant and many more in between. Please take a look on their [website](https://mif.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=7c8e3b75543666c7c42b2bab4&id=647845d0cb&e=5fef607deb) to see if anything takes your fancy and please do share far and wide through your networks.

<https://recruitment.mif.co.uk/>

Help people be well

Be Well, a new service working with people in Manchester have a wide range of jobs on offer, from team leaders and coaches to administrators.

<http://www.thebiglifegroup.com/work-for-us/>

The team will be out in the community to talk more about working for them at various places (see attached poster for more details). Please come along and find out more.

Calling Visual Artists for new project

Venture Arts is calling for expressions of interest from visual artists to take part in their new collaborative project based in Manchester.

**Deadline for applications:** By 5pm on Wednesday 5 September 2018    
**Interview dates:** Monday 17 and Tuesday 18 September 2018  
**Anticipated residency start date:** Week commencing 1 October 2018

<https://twitter.com/VentureArts/status/1024986271591088129>

GreaterSport Vacancies

GreaterSport are advertising 6 new roles as part of the investment through GM Moving. <https://www.greatersport.co.uk/Jobs>

For more information contact: Louise RobbinsDevelopment Manager (Place), GreaterSport, Greater Manchester Sports Partnership/ 07740 883080

Social Enterprise Catering opportunity at GMCVO

Are you a social enterprise, charity, voluntary organisation or community group with the ability to supply regular catering services to a busy conference centre just outside Manchester City Centre?

Please see attachment or for further information and an informal discussion please contact Tanya Coutts on 0161 277 1002 or email [tanya.coutts@gmcvo.org.uk](mailto:tanya.coutts@gmcvo.org.uk)

**Deadline for bids is 12 noon on Friday 28September 2018**

FareShare Apprenticeships

Seeking 2 Business Admin Apprentices at Level 2 or 3. If you have a can-do attitude and willingness to learn in a busy food warehouse and office environment, please see link for more details <https://bit.ly/2OAiKE7> or email Anna: [recruitment@emergemanchester.co.uk](mailto:recruitment@emergemanchester.co.uk)

Sporting Equals Vacancy for Activator Role in **Manchester**

The Sporting Equal Activators will work in close collaboration with the Sporting Equals central team to provide local engagement and delivery support to the following projects; Spirit 2012 ‘Breaking Boundaries’ (Project to be based in **Newton Heath**)

For an informal chat please contact Umar Ahmed on 07920759770

Work and Skills bulletin

Weekly news from Manchester City Council Work and Skills team including job vacancies, news, training, apprenticeships and more.

https://mailchi.mp/manchester.gov.uk/take-a-look-at-this-weeks-bulletin-596445?e=efb03ab64f

**Inspire Levenshulme: New Board Members**

Following a review of its governance structures, the Levenshulme Inspire Partnership is recruiting new board members for the Inspire Foundation, Inspire CIC and Inspire Café. If you are interested, please do come down to special drop in sessions on Thursday 6th September 6.30pm - 8.00pm or Saturday 8th September 10.00am - 12.00pm. Application forms are available from reception.

The Christie Charity – Volunteers needed

The Christie hospital is one of the leading cancer hospitals in Europe, treating over 44,000 cancer patients every year. Fundraising, no matter how big or small, plays a vital role in continuing the essential work for the charity.  The Christie charity supports the Christie hospital over and above what the NHS funds, enabling patients access to the best care, research and treatment possible. They are currently recruiting for 3 volunteer roles:

**Event Volunteer** – To set up and attend community fundraising events on behalf of the Christie.

**Charity speaker** – To promote the work of the Christie charity by giving talks and presentations within the community.

**Lottery sign up volunteer** - To set up and attend community fundraising events promoting the Christie charity lottery.

For further information or to apply:

<http://www.christie.nhs.uk/volunteers> / contact Steve Marsh on 0161 446 3056 / [steven.marsh@christie.nhs.uk](mailto:steven.marsh@christie.nhs.uk)

If you have any events, services or information you would like added to our bulletin, please get in touch.

Best wishes,

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