

What is the CSMP?

The Community Safety Mapping Project is a short-term project that aims to reach out to some of the more isolated minority ethnic communities across Devon. For six months the project team will be visiting small businesses, community groups, individuals and families across the county, taking with them information packs translated into appropriate languages. The project workers will also be asking questions, talking to people to find out what problems (if any) are facing them.

The main focus of the project will be around community safety issues such as Hate Crime and relationships with the police, but the team will also listen and note concerns about other matters including education, health and housing. Wherever possible, if someone is looking for help, the team will help them to get in touch with the appropriate agency.

Over the 6 months, the team intends to visit all of Devon's districts and to interview well over 200 people. The project will help to provide a snapshot of Devon's diversity and of the main issues that need to be addressed; just as importantly, we hope that the project will help many individuals, families and businesses to get the answers and the support that they need.

Who are we reaching out to?

The team is interested in the experiences of anyone in Devon who describes themselves as BME (Black and Minority Ethnic) or as a Migrant Worker. However, the project aims to address some of the imbalances in engagement with different migrant worker communities by focusing particular attention on non-European migrant workers.

The term Migrant Workers is too often taken to be synonymous with *Eastern European Migrant Workers* but the reality is very different. Across Devon, there are many

non-Europeans working for restaurants, takeaways, care homes, hospitals and a range of other employers; all making a valuable contribution to our local economy and way of life. The team is translating information packs into Bengali, Turkish, Chinese (Mandarin) and Tagalog to make sure that language isn't a barrier to people accessing the local services that they might need.

Who is running the project?

The project was developed by the Hate Crime Prevention Task Group, part of a multi-agency partnership, including Devon County Council and the Police, called the Safer Devon Partnership.

Funding comes from the Migrant Workers Impact fund (money collected from migrant workers' registration fees) and the actual work is being carried out by the Olive Tree Association, an Exeter based community organisation with a wealth of

experience working with Devon's BME populations.

What can you do to help?

Our team want to liaise and work as closely as possible with other voluntary and community sector support groups, with schools, with local health services providers and with any other organisations interested in reaching out to Devon's BME communities. If you think that we might be able to help each other or if you have any suggestions for businesses or community groups that you think we should be visiting, please get in touch.

Our Team

Sam Yakoob, *Team leader.*

Madina Eken, *Project worker.*

Anna Korula, *Consultant.*

They will be interviewing, visiting and offering information pack for BME workers across Devon.

They would advice; refer you to the right person, place

Rehab Farag & Hulya Birbec,
administrators.

All the team will be happy to offer help, information, referrals, advice.....



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