

# Sheffield Equality Hub Network Newsletter

## October 2015

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Hi all

You are invited to the [Equality Hub Network annual review and celebration event](#) taking place on **Tuesday 17 November 2015, 10am to 1pm, at the Workstation**. It will give us all an opportunity to have your say on where we've been, what's working well, what could be done differently and where we're going.

Have you checked out [Citizen Space](#), Sheffield City Council's new consultation hub? You can take part in consultations that interest you, and [sign up for alerts](#) on a wide range of topics, including ones for the Equality Hub Network. There are lots of other [ways to have your say](#) on proposals and influence decisions, including [attending Council meetings](#).

If you have news or information to share, we'd love to hear from you! Check out the [submission deadlines](#) and fill in a [submission form](#). If you are organising an event please check that the venue and facilities are accessible so that all communities of interest can attend.

Keep reading for news from around the Equality Hub Network.

Kind regards

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- [Disability Hub](#): Thursday 26 November 2015, 1.30pm to 3.45pm, [The Circle](#)
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- [BME Hub](#): Thursday 10 December 2015, 10.30am to 12.30pm, Town Hall

Please email [equalitiesandinvolvement@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:equalitiesandinvolvement@sheffield.gov.uk) if you would like to attend any of these meetings.

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### **Equality Hub Network annual review and celebration event**

Tuesday 17 November 2015, 10am to 1pm  
Workstation, 15 Paternoster Row, S1 2BX

This celebratory event is part of the annual review of the Equality Hub Network. It will give attendees an opportunity to look at where we've been, and discuss what's working well, what could be done differently and where we're going. You are all invited but spaces are limited booking is essential. Email [equalitiesandinvolvement@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:equalitiesandinvolvement@sheffield.gov.uk) if you would like to attend.

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## **Consultations**

## **Assisted Bin Collection consultation – Sheffield City Council**

Closes Friday 23 October 2015

Members of the public are being asked for their views on proposed changes to the assisted bin collection service in Sheffield. Assisted collections are provided to households where, due to an age related or medical reason there is no one able to put the waste and recycling bins out for collection. Under the service, the refuse teams will collect and then return the waste or recycling containers to their point of storage. Some changes to the application process have been proposed to help make the process fairer and easier to understand. To have your say [fill in the online survey](#), request a paper copy at [wastemanagement@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:wastemanagement@sheffield.gov.uk), and/or [attend the consultation event](#).

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### **Other events**

#### **Black History Month events**

October is Black History Month. Various activities are happening throughout Sheffield. More info will be posted on the [Council's Black History Month webpage](#) as more events are confirmed.

#### **Exhibition of BME businesses – SYAC**

Saturday 17 October to Saturday 24 October 2015

SYAC Training and Enterprise Centre, 120 Wicker, S3 8JD

To celebrate Black History Month SYAC is promoting BME businesses at their Training and Enterprise Centre. This week-long exhibition features BME businesses past and present, and professional entrepreneurial advice and guidance. For more info, ring 0114 223 2100 or email [enquiries@syactd.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@syactd.org.uk).

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#### **'Dear White People' free film screening – Sheffield Hallam University**

Thursday 22 October 2015, 7pm

Sheffield Hallam University, Howard Street, S1 1WB

A free event, part of The Sheffield Hallam Black History Month 2015, this will also include a panellist discussion at the end of the screening. Film Synopsis: A social satire that follows the stories of four black students at an Ivy League college where controversy breaks out over a popular but offensive black-face party thrown by white students. With tongue planted firmly in cheek, the film explores racial identity in acutely-not-post-racial America while weaving a universal story of forging one's unique path in the world. More info on the [event's Facebook page](#).

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#### **'I Have a Dream' talent show – SADACCA**

Friday 23 October 2015, 7pm to 10pm

SADACCA, 48 Wicker, S3 8JB

Meet Pat and Mike jazzing it up! Poets, guitarist and many more budding surprise performers! Plus karaoke (open mic). Performers to register at 5pm on the night. Food on sale. Entrance fee: £2, £1 for under 16s. For more info contact Vinny on 07735 499 938, [snrcawley@gmail.com](mailto:snrcawley@gmail.com).

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### **Come Home! the stage play – SADACCA**

Sunday 25 October 2015, 5pm

New Testament Church of God (NTCG), 7 Johnson Street, S3 8GT

Featuring the music of Andrae Crouch, performed by Aston Performing Arts Academy, guests soloists and live band. Warning – contains drug taking and domestic violence scenes. Entry: £7.50, £5 children (5-15) – special rates available for families. A collection will be taken on the night and refreshments will be on sale. For more info contact SADACCA on 0114 275 6479.

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### **‘Black Herstory’ exhibition – University of Sheffield**

Monday 26 October to Friday 31 October 2015

University Of Sheffield, gallery area

An exhibition on the BME women celebrating their achievements, heritage and contributions to creating the world as we know it today.

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### **Panel discussion on Black women – University of Sheffield**

Wednesday 28 October 2015, 5pm

Studio, University of Sheffield, Students Union

A panel discussion with panellists about Black women in the past, present and future, and the position they are in. This will also discuss barriers to employment and education.

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### **Foods to Fight Prostate Cancer: Healthy Soups – Sheffield Action for African-Caribbean Health (SAACH)**

Thursday 29 October 2015, 7pm to 9pm

Duke Street Community Centre, 123-131 Duke Street, S2 5QL

A Black men's health event. We will prepare a number of healthy soups to encourage men to improve their intake of vegetables. For more info ring Lerleen Willis on 07804 584 175 or email [saach4health@outlook.com](mailto:saach4health@outlook.com).

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### **Holy & Horny, a play**

Saturday 7 November 2015, 7.30pm

Library Theatre, Central Library, entrance off Tudor Square, S1 1 XZ

A celebratory, inspirational, powerful, deeply moving and superbly acted one-woman show that celebrates women's spirituality and sensuality, concepts of race, gender, culture and sexuality and tackles issues of sexual health and abuse. Contains strong language – 15+. This play is touring the UK one last time before touring internationally. [Watch the trailer](#). For further information and tour dates visit [www.holyandhorny.com](http://www.holyandhorny.com).

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### **Fundraising dance night – SADACCA**

Saturday 7 November 2015, 9pm till late

SADACCA, 48 Wicker, S3 8JB

Come for a night to remember with the best of revival, lovers, old skool and the latest tunes. Playing on the night DJ 'Infra Red' from Sheffield and 'Pop Star & Crew' from London. For on sale. Admission price: £5 per person for the first 100, £10 per person on the door and after first 100. For more info contact Lorna on 07904 800 844 or Yvonne on 07976 479 214.

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### **Inclusive tennis – Activity Sheffield**

Mondays from 5 October to 30 November 2015, 1.30pm to 3pm  
Bochum Parkway, S8 8JR

Tennis for disabled young people and adults, their friends and families. Cost £1.50. No need to book – just turn up and join in! All sessions are inclusive and accessible. If you need any further support, contact [activity.sheffield@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:activity.sheffield@sheffield.gov.uk) or 0114 273 4266. All staff are Enhanced BS checked and have a minimum of a nationally recognised level 2 qualification.

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### **Let's Talk About Dementia Conference (Manchester) – New Testament Church of God (NTCG) Old Trafford**

Friday 23 October 2015, 6.30pm to Sunday 25 October 2015, 1pm  
New Testament Church of God (NTCG) Old Trafford, Brook's Bar, 20 Upper Chorlton Road, Manchester, M16 7RN

This is a free public event which aims to increase knowledge and awareness of dementia and improve access to early diagnosis and care. It is being held as a 'Faith & Dementia' conference by the New Testament Church of God (NTCG) Old Trafford in partnership with University of Manchester, \*MICRA (Manchester Institute for Collaboration on Ageing), Alzheimer's Society, Manchester Mental Health and Social Care NHS Trust and others. All are welcome, particularly Black and minority ethnic (BME) group members. The conference is open to people of all faiths and none. [Registration via Eventbrite](#) or contact 0161 266 6999, [ntcgbrooksbar@btconnect.com](mailto:ntcgbrooksbar@btconnect.com).

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### **PMC Open Day – Pakistan Muslim Centre (PMC)**

Tuesday 27 October 2015, from 11am  
Pakistan Muslim Centre, Woodbourn Road, S9 3LQ

Taster sessions, course advice, enrolment, stalls, bouncy castle, food, fun and much more. PMC offers full and part time courses to help you build a positive future through education. This open day is organised in association with Commonwealth College of Further & Higher Education (CCFHE). For more info ring 0114 243 6091.

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### **'Spotlight on Adult Social Care' engagement event – Sheffield Health and Wellbeing Board**

Thursday 29 October 2015, 2pm to 4pm

Town Hall, Pinstone Street, S1 2HH

This event will include an update on Social Care from the Council's new Director of Adult Services, and talking heads from Healthwatch's 'Day in the Life of an ASC service user' project. There will also be a facilitated table activity to consider solutions or ways things can be improved in social care. There are still spaces available for Adult Social Care service users and family carers, who can [book through Evenbrite](#). The event is fully booked for service providers (Adult Social Care providers, Council, NHS or CCG staff) but they can contact [healthandwellbeingboard@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:healthandwellbeingboard@sheffield.gov.uk) or 0114 2736815 to be added to the waiting list.

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### **Consultation on the future of Pride in Sheffield – LGBT Hub**

Tuesday 3 November 2015, 5.30pm

The Union Street Centre, 18-20 Union Street, S1 2JR

It was agreed at the 20 October LGBT Hub meeting that LGBT Sheffield would facilitate a consultation about forming a working group to oversee a Pride event for next year. It is hoped that we will attract a wide representation of all the community and representatives from the other Hubs. If you would like to be involved or register your interest, please email [chair@lgbtsheffield.co.uk](mailto:chair@lgbtsheffield.co.uk) with your name and organisation (if applicable). The first consultation meeting will be held in the new LGBT drop-in centre on Union Street.

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### **Meeting for LGBT people on the autistic spectrum – A.S.P.E.C.S.**

Wednesday 4 November 2015, 7pm

Eten Café, 2-4 York St, S1 2ER

Are you gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, or just questioning your sexuality, AND have been diagnosed as having an autistic or related condition (Aspergers Syndrome, Tourettes Syndrome, Autism, etc.)? Autistic Spectrum People of Every Category of Sexuality (A.S.P.E.C.S.) holds bi-monthly meetings in Sheffield open to LGBTs with Autistic and allied conditions, as well as friends, parents, helpers, etc. More information will be posted on to [A.S.P.E.C.S. Facebook page](#).

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### **Holocaust Memorial Day planning group meeting – Equality Hub Network**

Monday 9 November 2015, 11am to 1pm

Town Hall, Pinstone Street, S1 2HH

Help plan next year's activities to mark [Holocaust Memorial Day](#) (HMD) on 27 January 2016. On HMD we share the memory of the millions who have been murdered in the Holocaust and subsequent genocides in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur in order to challenge hatred and persecution in the UK today. We encourage people from across the Equality Hubs to get involved. Email [equalitiesandinvolvement@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:equalitiesandinvolvement@sheffield.gov.uk) if you would like to join the planning group or want to help in some way.

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## **BAME focus groups on recruitment – NHS Blood and Transplant**

Monday 9 November 2015, 12pm to 2.30 pm

City centre location - TBC

[Eliesha Training](#) on behalf of NHS Blood and Transplant are running focus groups in Sheffield, Birmingham, Oxford and Manchester during November to ascertain what NHS Blood and Transplant need to change in their recruitment strategies to attract more BAME candidates into their organisation at managerial/professional level. Lunch will be provided and attendees will receive a copy of the report, together with a £25 voucher (possibly M&S) as a gesture for their attendance. If you would like to have your voice heard, and find out more about what's in it for you, email [Peter.Smith@eliesha.com](mailto:Peter.Smith@eliesha.com).

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## **Holocaust Memorial Day 2016 free regional workshop – Holocaust Memorial Day Trust**

Tuesday 10 November 2015, 10am to 1pm

Sheffield Town Hall, Pinstone Street, S1 2HH

Each year [Holocaust Memorial Day Trust](#) holds free workshops across the UK for people interested in organising an activity to mark Holocaust Memorial Day on 27 January. The theme for HMD 2016 is [Don't Stand By](#) – a call to action and a forward looking theme to build on the legacy of the 70th anniversary in 2015. Attending a workshop will help you to gain a better understanding of Holocaust Memorial Day and how to create a meaningful activity for your audience. During a session you'll learn more about the year's theme, and the free resources we provide that will help you to mark Holocaust Memorial Day in your community. [Book onto the HMD workshop](#) at Eventbrite.

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## **Sheffield Hate Crime Panel**

Wednesday 11 November 2015, 5.45pm

Town Hall, Pinstone Street, S1 2HH

The Sheffield Hate Crime Panel scrutinises reported incidents of hate crime within the city and offer advice to the Police and other public bodies on how best to deal with certain incidents. If you are interested in joining the panel, please contact [andrew@stophateuk.org](mailto:andrew@stophateuk.org). More information on the Council's [hate crime and incidents webpage](#).

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## **Film evening 'Wadja' – Women in Science Engineering and Technology (WEST)**

Monday 16 November 2015, 5.15pm (drinks and nibbles), 6pm (screening)

Sheffield Hallam University, City Campus, The Void, Owen 123, S11WB

'Wadja' is an award winning film from 2013 about a girl's longing for a bike - it illuminates the lives of women in Saudi Arabia. This is a free event and open to all. Donations for the WEST Bursary Fund welcome on the night. This Fund gives a small bursary to a number of young women across South Yorkshire and Derbyshire to support the training they are undertaking in a non-traditional trade. Drinks from 5.15pm in room 222 on level 2 of the Owen Building, followed by film screening at 6pm in the Void - 1st Floor Owen Building. Limited seating so book your place – email [wiset@shu.ac.uk](mailto:wiset@shu.ac.uk) (with 'FILM' in the title) or call 0114 225 2878.

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### **Budget event – Sheffield City Council**

Thursday 19 November 2015, 6pm  
Town Hall, Pinstone Street, S1 2HH

Hold the date in your diary – more details will be announced shortly.

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### **Transgender Day of Remembrance: celebrate past, present and future transgender lives – E.D.E.N Film Productions / LGBT Sheffield**

Friday 20 November 2015, 5.30pm (vigil), 6.30pm (film screening)  
Millennium Square/Winter Garden (vigil), S1 2HH and Odeon, 45-47 Arundel Gate, S1 1DL (film screening)

Join us as we look to the past, the present and the future as we celebrate Transgender Day of Remembrance in Sheffield. Starting with a candlelit vigil in Millennium Square we remember those who have lost their lives, then precede into the Winter Gardens for live music, speeches and the warmth of being together, of being alive. Following this at the Odeon is the premiere screening of 'Trashing Transphobia', a film made by E.D.E.N Film and the LGBT community, looking at transphobia and how to tackle it, and what it's really like to be trans in Britain in 2015. The screening is free of charge and is followed by a Q&A with the filmmakers – [book via Eventbrite](#). Having spent time mourning those who have passed and considering the issues of the present we move into the future as we host the after party – venue TBC. More info at <https://m.facebook.com/events/880104082108956/>.

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## **Other news**

### **SUST Recovery Awards 2016 – SUST**

Closing date for entries Thursday 17 December 2015  
Contact email address: [pwtc@btopenworld.com](mailto:pwtc@btopenworld.com)

SUST is a network of mental health trainers and consultants with lived experience of mental health issues. We're inviting people to enter a competition to write about how their experience of one or more of the following has supported their recovery and/or helped to improve the lives of people with mental health problems: Advocacy, Co-production, Involvement and Engagement, Mental Health Training, and Peer Support. We will award three prizes of £100, £50 and £25 to winning entries. Details of how to enter can be found at <http://wp.me/p6xXyg-U>.

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### **Age Better in Sheffield Core Partnership recruitment – South Yorkshire Housing Association**

Closing date Monday 30 November 2015



We're looking to increase the Age Better in Sheffield Core Partnership which is the governance function of the Age Better in Sheffield programme. The programme is a £6m lottery funded programme to reduce social isolation in people aged 50+ in Sheffield, particularly those with limited health conditions, those on low incomes, BME & low mental wellbeing. We'll be commissioning work that targets these groups so really need the experience of those who understands this (from their own experience) on the partnership and to challenge us on the impact we're having. For more info and an application, contact [g.parkin@syha.co.uk](mailto:g.parkin@syha.co.uk) or 0114 270 2549.

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### **EIGE's gender statistics database to be launched in October: a data gateway offering statistical information on gender equality**

EIGE is launching a new database that provides a single access point for all gender statistics at the EU and Member State levels. The database is a central source of reliable and internationally comparable sex-disaggregated data on various aspects of (in)equalities between women and men. It includes statistics on situations at work and in the labour market, financial and economic situation, use of time, education and training, and gender-based violence, among many others. The interface is easy to browse and serves both expert and non-expert users. The database will be updated regularly. Check out [EIGE's gender statistics database leaflet](#).

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### **Make Your Mark 2015 results – Sheffield Futures / Youth Parliament**

[Make Your Mark](#) is an opportunity for young people to have their say on what the UK Youth Parliament should debate in the House of Commons and campaign on. This year in Sheffield the same issue has come top overall, plus the 5 issues voted on nationally are the same 5 that young people across Sheffield voted for. Nationally the total vote was 967,000 – Sheffield made up 12,922 of those. The top 10 issues in Sheffield are:

1. Votes at 16
2. A Curriculum to prepare us for life
3. The end of austerity and child poverty
4. Transport
5. Climate Change
6. Mental health
7. Fund our youth services, don't cut them
8. Living Wage
9. Tackling racism and religious discrimination, particularly against people who are Muslim or Jewish
10. Extended Special Educational Needs support

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### **Sheffield's Cohesion Strategy – Sheffield Cohesion Advisory Group**

The Cohesion Advisory Group is working together with the City Council and various other partners to co-create a Cohesion Strategy for Sheffield. Presentations have been made at various meetings and consultations are ongoing. If you would like more information please contact [sheffieldcag@gmail.com](mailto:sheffieldcag@gmail.com). We hope that everyone in the city will support the Statement of Purpose:

We, the people of Sheffield will continue to work towards making our city a place where everyone is made to feel welcome and valued, in a community where everyone is treated with dignity and respect regardless of age, ability, gender, sexual orientation, ethnic origin,

language, belief, religion, or financial wealth, and that these values shall apply equally within the family unit, community and places of learning and work, recreation or worship.

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### **Healthwatch Sheffield Crisis Care survey 2015**

If you, or someone you look after, has used mental health crisis care, please take our anonymous survey about your experience. Healthwatch Sheffield will be writing a report based on our findings to help influence and improve services. You can also enter our prize draw to win a shopping voucher! [Take the online survey](#), or ring 0114 253 6688 or email [info@healthwatchsheffield.co.uk](mailto:info@healthwatchsheffield.co.uk) for a paper copy.

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