

BME NETWORK NEWSLETTER

Working towards a strong 'by and for' infrastructure

FEBRUARY 2025

*"What we offer
is a gift,
so value us"*

*Quote from
community member
at launch*



ABOUT THE PROJECT :

- BY AND FOR BME/BRM COMMUNITIES/GROUPS
- TO PROVIDE NETWORKS, SUPPORT AND RESOURCES
- TO BUILD, GROW AND THRIVE
- SUPPORTED BY THE BME INFRASTRUCTURE STEERING GROUP, BRIDGING CHANGE AND B&HCC
- WITH THE AIM OF BECOMING AN INDEPENDENT ENTITY

PROJECT LAUNCHED!

The project launched on 29th January at BMECP

35 Community members representing different community groups attended

Fundraising workshop delivered

FOR MORE INFO ON THE PROJECT [CLICK HERE](#)



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YOUR PRIORITIES FROM THE LAUNCH:

- Sharing Information/Signposting/Newsletter
- Networking Opportunities
- Organisational Development
- Accessible Training
- Funding – Sustainability/Consistency
- Trustee/Board/Management Roles
- Events that are in your spaces, preferably in person (online also)
- Quarterly or monthly meetings and in the evening

THE JOURNEY

This is the beginning of this journey with you

Let us know what you need in your community group

What are your and/or others skills and expertise

Then we can tailor training and events that are run by us and for us

And build, grow and thrive together

YOU ALSO SAID :

- Community assets must be built in sustainable, empowering and meaningful ways
- Agree aims and vision for the network
- Groups work in silo and need to be more collective/collaborative
- Upskilling must be done by us and not be tokenistic or by mainstream organisations
- We are not homogenous and have different needs to be met
- Skills-swap within the network
- Creative networking within similar groups e.g. in the arts
- Burn-out is an issue



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NEXT TRAINING : Monitoring & Evaluation

ONLINE ON 28th February 1.30pm til 3.30pm

PLEASE RSVP FOR THE LINK :
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BME INFRASTRUCTURE NETWORK TRAINING

A space for
Black and minoritised
(BME) groups
to build, grow
and connect

Friday
28th February
1.30pm - 3.30pm
ONLINE

Supported by the
BME Infrastructure
Steering Group,
Bridging Change &
B&H Council

Monitoring &
Evaluation Training
with
Yemisi Mokuolu
hatchideas.co.uk

**RSVP for
training link:**
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More info here:
bridgingchange.co.uk/Infrastructure



ABOUT THE TRAINER YEMISI MOKUOLU



Yemisi Mokuolu has over 17 years' experience fundraising and 15 years' experience delivering fundraising workshops. Yemisi specialises in grant fundraising.

She works across all sectors, but primarily delivers training for creative, cultural and social entrepreneurs and organisations. See hatchideas.co.uk for more information.



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SHARE YOUR EVENTS IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER!

Please only send information if your event is run by, and is for, BME/BRM communities

Text or written information can be sent in an email or attached as a word document

PLEASE SEND ALL INFO NO LATER THAN FRIDAY MARCH 14th TO:

bc-infrastructure@outlook.com

Please reach out for support with getting any of this done

ADD YOUR SKILLS BY.....

[GETTING INVOLVED: CLICK HERE](#)

You will find more information about the project here and a Get Involved form once you scroll to bottom where you can add your skills as well as your details to be added to the newsletter

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“In our world, divide and conquer must become define and empower.”

Audre Lorde



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