



FATA HE BME DEVELOPMENT

Building inclusive communities in Devon, Cornwall, Plymouth and Torbay

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Fata He is a West African word which means 'inclusion'. Part of our role as the BME infrastructure lead for Devon, Cornwall, Plymouth and Torbay has meant we have had to expand very quickly in order to meet the needs of historically excluded groups across the two counties. See below how the team are meeting those needs.
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What's happening in Cornwall? Big things are happening in Cornwall with the recent forming of 'Unity Cornwall' the first independent and representative BME led organisation in Cornwall.



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Ian Smart (Community Support Worker-Devon) paves the way for inclusive work in East Devon. Some exciting things are happening in East Devon. New Volunteers, and a number of exciting events planned over the next few months with the Devon BME forums.

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New Team Members join Fata He

Fata He has recently appointed new members to the team. This decision was made due to the level of demand in meeting Fata He objectives as sub-regional BME Infrastructure lead responsible for building a sustainable BME infrastructure across Devon, Cornwall, Plymouth and Torbay using independent and representative BME local community forums as a model of good practice.

Linda Buckley has been appointed as Community Development Co-ordinator, and will be primarily responsible for building our partnership with the Torbay ChangeUp consortium, Torbay

Council, Hospital Trust, and Torbay Primary Care Trust. Ultimately, the role will be to develop a sustainable BME local forum which is made up of representative local BME residents within Torbay and the surrounding area.

Helen Bennett (Community Support Worker) now takes over Plymouth, and has already forged positive links with many BME groups and individuals. A recent successful BME event held at the Plymouth Marine Aquarium (17/01/06) has enabled the formation of the first Plymouth BME forum "Unity Plymouth" which is made of local representative BME individuals within the city.

Ian Smart has been appointed as Community Support Worker for Devon, and judging by the recent newspaper article in the Exmouth

Journal, is already forging new links with communities which have historically been excluded from access to mainstream community agencies. The building of long-term partnerships with the statutory, voluntary and community sector are vital links in Fata He's objectives, and Ian's presence within Devon has certainly started to open up many doors in terms of community and agency engagement.

Jeff Ukachukwu has been appointed as Education Co-ordinator (Tutor). He is responsible for forging links with various secondary schools in Plymouth in order to help students of BME and White backgrounds to develop Literacy, Numeracy and Lifelong Skills. He will work with young people in various projects (Saturday school, Sunday Youth

Club, Arts and crafts projects) and serve as a positive role model.

What's happening in Cornwall?

A major problem identified by Williams and Tacchi in 2001 was the lack of infrastructure and resources to Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) led organisations in the South West. Coupled with this issue has been problems associated with ethnicity and the rural environment. This short article shows how Fata He has developed a community model for engaging BME people in rural and urban areas of Cornwall.

including faith groups, Fata He helped to create the first ever constituted independent and representative BME led organisation in the county. The group have named themselves 'Unity Cornwall' and have set up their own management committee, and are in the process of opening a bank account in order to receive funding. The newly elected Chair of Unity Cornwall Victor Downer, stated that "This is an exciting time for Cornwall having established the first ever BME led organisation within the county. We are looking forward to making a positive contribution to improving the quality of life and well being for BME people and engaging with the public, private and voluntary and community sector agencies in order to improve access to services for historically excluded groups such as Gypsies and Travellers".

Mandeep Sandhu and Kelly Cumberbatch of Unity Cornwall are also working with young BME people from across Cornwall, many of who are young members of Unity Cornwall to ensure that their voice is being heard and that their needs are being met. A number of planned activities are currently taking place with young people, which Fata He and a number of other people are helping to support.

Fata He is proud to support Unity Cornwall, and will continue to assist them as part of our infrastructure lead role to become a stand-alone BME led organisation over the next three years.

Unity Cornwall is currently planning to hold a major launch event in early October. Keep an eye on our events page at:

www.fatahe.com



Nick Bye Mayor of Torbay was invited to open the 'Speaking for Ourselves' BME Community Forum meeting at the Acorn Centre in Torbay on 2nd December 2005.

Jacqueline Lyndon-Smith has now taken up the post of Community Support Worker for Cornwall. Jacqueline, will be responsible for supporting 'Unity Cornwall' the new BME led organisation within Cornwall.

Maria Gilbert is the Fata He Finance and Admin Officer, and has put together an efficient filing system and competent financial management system. Maria, through working with Wolseley Community Economic Development Trust (Fata He's current accountable body) is well on the way in enabling Fata He to be a stand-alone organisation in its own right early in the next financial year.

Daisy Higman as well as supporting Maria with admin duties, has been appointed with Awusi Mitchell as Trainee Community Support Arts Workers in order to develop our partnership work with the Barbican Theatre, and other arts based projects across the city. We are expecting some exciting new projects to develop from this work.

Rural areas of Cornwall might not seem an ideal place of settlement for BME people. However, part of our work within the Change Up programme identified quite a large number of BME people living across Cornwall, who have settled and are forging new 'Black and minority ethnic Cornish Communities'. Between February and April 2006 Fata He has assisted and supported the building of a new BME group in



Meeting of members of Unity Cornwall

Cornwall. Following a number of meetings with representative BME individuals from all over Cornwall, which included individual people from Gypsy and Travellers, Chinese, Thai, Irish, African, African-Caribbean, white parents and carers of mixed heritage, and many others

Work in Devon kicks off positively - Ian Smart



Fata He is proud to announce the appointment of a new and active community support volunteer, Robert Watchman, a

master chef, who lives in Honiton, Devon with his wife and 5 children. Robert was born in Utrecht Holland, where he obtained his Master Chef degree and PhD in management and organisational skills. Not only is Robert highly skilled as a chef but has taught Jamie Oliver to cook Indonesian food, cooked for the Queen of Holland, worked as the personal chef to the Prince of the Netherlands, and cooked for Bill Clinton and many other celebrities. Among his other skills Robert is also a martial arts instructor (freestyle) and a recognised instructor with the Martial Arts Teacher Association. Robert is currently helping Ian Smart (Community Support Worker - Devon) to organise 'Meet the World in the park' a major multicultural event planned in Exmouth on the 19th August 2006.

Fata He Supports East Devon B&ME Forum

A new forum to provide a voice for Black and Minority Ethnic (B&ME) groups has been set up in various parts of East Devon. FATA HE is facilitating the development of this forum and has met with various existing groups in Exmouth. A community day was held at the end February before the inaugural meeting which was held in early March.

Outlining the core objective of the forum Ian Smart, the Devon community support worker with

Fata He posits, "The aim of this forum is to build a platform which will serve as a hotbed of ideas for black and ethnic minorities, and other groups such as mental health sufferers or single parents."

The forum will help to empower people. Ian Smart continues: "When one or two people speak out, no one listens, but if people speak collectively through a forum, then they will be listened to." This forum will involve people who may not have had a say before but are interested in discussing issues that affect their lives.

As new members emerged it was decided the best way to advertise the forum to the wider audience will be to hold a cultural event open to the whole community. Hence, the East Devon forum is in the process of organising a Cultural Festival 'Meet the World in the Park' to be held on Saturday the 19th of August in the Manor Gardens in Exmouth starting at 12.00 noon and running till 6:00pm.

The festival will feature music from a Steele Band, Rock groups, Jazz and World music, a D.J. and assorted performers. The Chinese and Indian communities will supply food with others providing more choices. There will be hot and cold drinks along with Ice Creams.

Besides, there will be a Bouncy Castle and Obstacle course with non contact Boxing training, outdoor games, Crafts and painting hair braiding, face painting, 'make your own Graffiti wall', the Story tent, and a Lucky Dip. A grand raffle prize draw will also take place with wonderful prizes for lucky winners

There will also be many information stalls (housing advice, Friends of the Earth, Student Union and others) providing assistance to people in the community. Everyone will be welcomed to this multicultural fun day.

An enthusiastic forum member has this to say about the forum: "There is a lot of hard work to be done. The South West is the biggest growing area in the UK in terms of BME population, so if we can get the forum functioning effectively and tackle problems now, we can improve the whole BME community for the future."

Launch of the Plymouth B&ME Forum - Helen Bennett



The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Plymouth officially launch the Plymouth BME Forum (Unity Plymouth) 29th June 2006

Plymouth is the largest city south of Bristol, and over the past few years has seen a large growing Black and Minority Ethnic population, mainly due to the dispersal of asylum seekers and refugees to the city. Part of Fata He's role as the sub regional BME infrastructure lead was to establish an independent representative BME Forum within the city of Plymouth in which BME people from many diverse communities are given the opportunity to 'speak for themselves' instead of agencies speaking for them.

BME communities in Plymouth will use the forum as a platform to have direct links to statutory organisations and agencies directly or indirectly involved with issues that affect their lives and wellbeing.



Meeting of the Plymouth B&ME Forum

Unity Plymouth will help to empower local BME people to pursue agenda that covers the five main themes that lead to improving the lives of BME people namely: crime, health, education, housing and employment..

Unity Plymouth has been constituted, and the management committee has been formed. Members of the BME forum regularly come together to discuss issues the BME community may have. The Plymouth forum is now at a stage where it has a good core of representative BME people. The launch of the forum on 29th June 2006 by the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress represented the first opportunity for over 150 people from public, private, voluntary and community sector organisations to meet with members of Unity Plymouth at the Plymouth Guildhall. This is the first time that an independent and representative BME forum has been established in the city, and Ossie Glover, our chief executive has made it clear that “although we were responsible for the initial setting up and constituting the forum, our role will simply be to support and facilitate them. This role will include developing a training package for members in order that they move towards independence as a stand-alone BME led organisation over the

next three years”.

Jeff as well as filling the role of educational tutor is also responsible for developing the Fata He website which is regularly kept up to date with news and up and coming events. A major feature of our website is the four e-forums covering our sub regional areas. These e-forums can be accessed by visiting the Fata He website (www.fatahe.com) where individual members can log -in and air their views and concerns, these concerns are picked up monthly, and passed onto the local area BME forums. This enables people who may not have time, or who might not have gained the confidence to attend local forum meetings to still have their ‘voices’ heard.

(more news and information on events about Unity Cornwall and Unity Plymouth’s, and other BME forums can be found at the news and events section of Fata He website (www.fatahe.com).

Taking Community Cohesion to the next level - The Launch of the first Inclusive Saturday Learning Project.

The Fata He Wo Fee Ekome (Learning



Together) Saturday Learning Project. A joint partnership with Granby Island Community Centre and the Barbican Theatre. This project was funded by the Community Fund (Big Lottery).

The Fata He Saturday learning project was officially launched on 28th January 2006. The project is built on the philosophy that “It

Doesn’t Matter If You’re Black Or White.” This project continues to consolidate on the success of the Plymouth Community Cohesion Facilitation Programme which funded by the Home Office was delivered by a multi-agency panel, and supported by the Government Office for the South West. At the heart of this project are the positive benefits of cultural awareness and the positive valuing of diversity among young people from across Plymouth no matter their racial or social background.

The Saturday learning project aims to bring together 30 young people from across the city of Plymouth. Fifteen young people will come from black and minority ethnic backgrounds and 15 others from the wider community. They will take part in learning in a fun way and covering both curricular and non-curricular topics among which Literacy, numeracy, Citizenship and Lifelong skills will be prominent. This will be followed by culture awareness sessions, which will increase students’ knowledge and understanding of the various cultures evident in Plymouth city.

Aimed at meeting the needs of young people aged 11-18 years, the learning project will initially meet every Saturday from 11 am – 2pm at Granby Island Community Centre Ltd, before moving on to the Barbican theatre to work with professional artists who will develop their skills in dance and other arts skills ready for their performance in late October 2006. Ossie Glover (our chief executive) currently volunteers to drive the minibus and picks up young people at various pick up points across the city of Plymouth. As stated earlier, the

group is currently working towards putting together a performance on their understanding of cultural awareness.

Many of the current group of young students have expressed their views of having had the opportunity to meet new friends from other schools in Plymouth, learn lots of new skills and develop their own natural acting and performing ability. As such, their work at the Barbican Theatre is going well and they would really like to invite other young people who would be interested in getting involved. It's FREE! and It's fun!

The group has fully qualified staff (Life Skills Tutors and professional artists) present that provide support to the group in developing their own creativity and ideas for the performance. It also needs to be stated that young people themselves lead the group activities with the staff providing support as and when the group need assistance. The project is for young people and is owned by them.

Not only will the group put on a performance of their learning experiences but will also each be presented with a diploma in recognition of their learning and ability to respect others. Once the project finishes in October it is hoped that the Plymouth City Council Department of Lifelong Learning recognise the importance of what these young people have achieved and mainstream it within citywide youth work activities. Fata He hopes that schools and community groups will use these young people as positive role models in activities.

This one year pilot project has been funded by the Big Lottery

Community Fund, and it is hoped that the success of this project will bring about a sustainable learning and cultural awareness programme for many more young people in the future. Granby Island Community Centre (GICC) has done extensive work in raising the life skills of adults and young people in the area of Devonport through Learn Direct and has an excellent Online IT suite, and it is expected that this project will also assist young people to further develop their life skills and aid their educational achievement levels and career opportunities in the longer term. This is an opportunity to increase the hopes and aspirations of young people, and in the longer term bring young people together to learn skills that will benefit their current curricular activities in school.

“Our Choice” Sunday Youth Club

As well as supporting young people on the Saturday learning project, Fata He also recognised the need to support young people on the Greenbank estate. As a result of consultation with Onward House and Westcountry Housing Association, Fata He continues to support Sharon Scott (Youth Support Worker) a local resident, and a number of youth apprentices in the running of a Sunday afternoon (1pm - 4pm) inclusive youth club session.



“Our Choice” youth club is open to any young person between 11 - 18 years of age and enables young people to come together and learn positive experiences

from each other. Not only do young people get an opportunity to gain computer experience, they can also play pool, listen to music, and learn breakdancing with Chris Gilcrest, the leader of “Beat Breakers” a leading dance group in the city which has been recognised nationally for its positive engagement with young people.

As most other organisations facing funding and resource problems, Fata He has found it increasingly difficult to support the number of projects that it is now facilitating given the low amount of funding received under the ChangeUp programme, and its SRB 6 BME Capacity Building Programme. However, we are determined to ensure that the needs of young people are not sidelined, and as such, Fata He will continue to support and represent the benefits of community cohesion within schools, children, families and young people agenda across the city and wider areas of our sub region.

Children, families and mental health issues for BME people, and white parents and carers of mixed heritage children - Linda Buckley.

Linda is currently involved in a race and diversity capacity for Kew 5 (Kids Emotional Well-Being) which references the five “Every Child Matters” outcomes. Kew 5 aspires to embody the principles of community psychology and as such, regards itself as an ‘Early Years Community Well-Being Team’. Part of Linda’s role will involve training as an Early Years Mental Health Practitioner.

Linda also serves on the Steering Group for the Plymouth Primary Care Trust Focussed Implementation Site for delivering

equality in mental health services. Fata He is extremely pleased to be part of this group in helping to improve mental health services for BME people across the city.

Fata He also sits on the Steering Group for Parent Partnership, the Carers Support Service and have extensively been involved in working with the Healthcare Commission which is the watchdog for the National Health Service improving the engagement with the public at all levels.

Linda has also been given the responsibility for supervising Social Work Degree student placements within Fata He, and is now a moderator on the 1st year degree course at the University of Plymouth. Hollie was a recent social work placement with Fata He, and brought much insight and valuable experience into the team. From a professional perspective it was a pleasure having Hollie and we wish her the best of luck for the future.

News From Totnes

Some exciting things are happening in Totnes and the surrounding area. As part of our sub regional infrastructure work we have now established a BME forum, which although based in Totnes covers Torbay and Newton Abbot. Several meetings have already taken place with representation from all sections of BME communities. Members of the forum although working on the five themes of crime, health, housing, education and employment are also interested in permaculture, sustainable communities, farming, community policing, and engaging with young people cross culturally. The next meeting of the forum takes place at the Red Wizard cafe (near the Happy Apple)

in Totnes from 6-8pm. We are also holding a Harvest gratitude gathering Sunday on the 24th September in Totnes (venue TBC).

Fata He's Cultural Awareness Training Programmes gain popularity, and provides commissioned resources for Fata He development.

Over the past year, Fata He as the leading social enterprise and BME infrastructure lead for Devon, Cornwall, Plymouth and Torbay has developed and delivered a number of commissioned cultural awareness training courses to the South West Peninsula Strategic Health Authority, a number of Hospital Trusts and Primary Care Trusts across the sub region. The success of these courses further resulted in Fata He being commissioned by Plymouth College of Further Education; and since the end of July 2005, has delivered training to all staff within the college, and assisted the college in its Race Equality Action Plan, and supporting the college in becoming more accessible for BME students locally and internationally. We have since been commissioned by Creative Partnership and a number of Housing Associations and look forward to developing these courses throughout the sub region over the next year.

Our Cultural Awareness Training courses which are designed and tailor made for each organisation enable participants to better understand how their attitudes and behaviour might sometimes be a cause for conflict, as well as enabling them to better understand some of the issues and problems facing BME people in accessing

local services.

If you feel that your organisation might benefit from gaining a greater understanding of conflict and tension relating to working with, and engaging with BME individuals and groups, please phone us for the cost of a half-day session on 01752-607853.

Working with the National Offenders Management Service (NOMS) in supporting BME offenders in Devon and Cornwall - Os-sie Glover.

Fata He has been involved in working in partnership with the National Body of Black Prisoner Support Groups in enabling a more proactive approach to supporting BME individuals and families of offenders. As a result of our sub regional role we were invited to attend a regional conference by CLINKS to discuss how BME families within the areas of Devon and Cornwall might be better supported in order to stop them re-offending. Following several meetings with probation, the prison service and a number of other agencies, Fata He is now in the position of taking on the role of developing a multi-agency approach through eight pathway groups to ensure that BME offenders are given every opportunity to increase their life chances. This is on-going work and is still in the planning and development stages ready for the launch in March 2007.

Fata He is now an active member of the regional NOMS BME sub group, and our chief executive currently sits on the Equalities and Diversity Steering Group at Channings Wood Prison, advising

the prison on how better to increase equal opportunities for BME prisoners. We have also engaged with the two other prisons in our sub region and will bring you more news as this important area of work as it develops.

Local Enterprise Growth Initiative (LEGI) Plymouth Bid for £20 million.

LEGI is a government initiative that funds projects leading to the creation of new businesses and the growth of existing businesses.

Plymouth is making a bid for up to £20 million to fund local projects. The bid is being led by Plymouth City Council, with the help of many organisations throughout the city including Fata He who are the only established BME led social enterprise in the far south west. The LEGI bid is expected to be ready for submission to the Government Office for the South West in September 2006, and in December 2006 the city will find out if it has been successful.

The LEGI Steering Group, which Fata He is a member of, are conducting a number of neighbourhood workshops with business, residents and community groups to discuss priorities for action, and suggestions for projects and ideas which will stimulate greater levels of enterprise in areas across the city.

On Thursday 20th July 2006, Fata He and members of the LEGI Steering Group held a BME workshop at the Welcome Hall, which was attended by over 27 BME people who all put forward ideas for BME projects and enterprises. All views and priorities will be added to the overall LEGI

action plan before a final major event which is planned in September 2006.

Any BME person who was unable to attend the BME LEGI event held on 20th July 2006, and who has a good idea for a project or enterprise should contact Ossie Glover as soon as possible at Fata He on 01752-607853 to ensure that your ideas are added.

Fata He supports Local Refugee Group from Closing.

Fata He was recently informed by the Co-ordinator and Board members of Refugees First that they were facing a financial funding crisis and would need to close. Following consultation with the Fata He Board, it was agreed that Fata He assists Refugees First (as part of our infrastructure lead role) by providing funds from its commissioned activities reserves to enable Refugees First to stay open for two days a week from April to 30th June 2006.

We are delighted to have supported the on-going infrastructure development of this important group who continue to meet the needs of vulnerable asylum and refugee individuals across the city.

Bobbies on the Beat - Devonport. A partnership with Fata He

Fata He and the Devonport based Bobbies on the Beat Team have formed a working partnership to enable the BME community and people from the wider community to gain a better understanding of police procedures and recognising and valuing cultural differences within the community. Fata He fully supports the work of police officers and Community Po-

lice Support Officers, and welcomes any opportunity to positively engage in educational training through community events in which to break down barriers in making our communities a safer place to live for all individuals and families. We have, as might be expected dealt with a number of racist incidences within the area of Devonport. It is only through developing trusting relationships with local officers that residents will be able to feel safe, and assists officers with a better understanding of how to deal with sometimes complex and sensitive issues. We hope to assist Bobbies on the Beat in developing a number of community events in the very near future.

Did you know you could receive a grant of up to £2700 for warm improvements.

Fata He has recently formed up with the regional Warm Front team in order to enable BME people who might be in receipt of certain benefits, live in their own home or rent from a private landlord qualify for extra insulation and heating work. To find out if you might qualify for a warm front grant, call a warm front advisor free of charge on **0800 316 2814** With winter approaching might be an ideal time for making an application now.



Building Solid Foundations

Fata He continues to build on developing a sustainable BME sub regional infrastructure

Fata He sponsors Mini World Cup Tournament.

On Saturday 20th May 2006 - Lord Mayors Day, Fata He sponsored and supported the first citywide mini-world cup soccer event on the Plymouth Hoe. Two African teams, the Plymouth Argyle disability teams and two teams from Working Links entered the tournament. The Fata He 'Inclusion' Challenge Shield was eventually won by 'Dynamic Stars' African football team who



Winners of the Fata He 'Inclusion' challenge shield - the 'Dynamic Stars'

beat Plymouth Argyle disability team in a penalty shoot out. Medals were presented to all players who took part by a Director of Plymouth Argyle Football Club.

Fata He wishes to thank the Plymouth City Council Sports Development Team, Plymouth Argyle 'Football in the Community' team and all others who took part.



The teams who took part in the mini World Cup inclusion football Tournament

Fata He continues to build on the excellent work it has achieved to date within the national ChangeUp programme, and is positively looking forward to playing its part within the newly established 'Capacity Builders' programme.



Robert Watchman prepares the excellent food for participants at the 'BME Engagement Workshop' held at the Welcome Hall, Devonport on 22nd June 2006



Po Man Yung (CPSO) and Supt. Peter Strawbridge speak to Unity Plymouth about BME Community Police Support Officer roles in Plymouth.



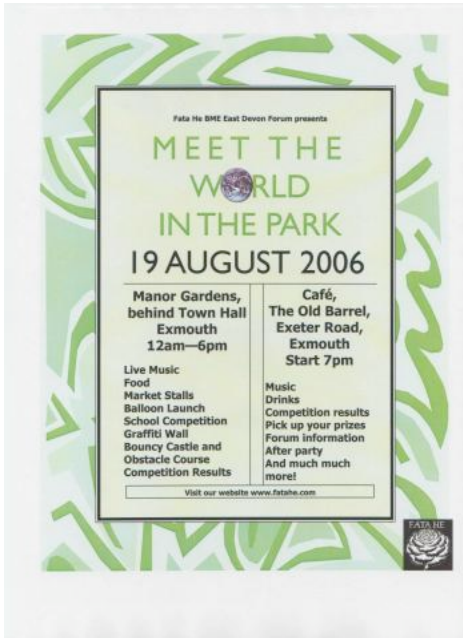
Attendees at the launch of Unity Plymouth



Lord Mayor meets with people at Unity Plymouth launch



Above - Robert lays out multicultural food; and Below - explains to Lord Mayor and Supt. Peter Strawbridge the Unity Plymouth cake commissioned by Fata He for the launch.



A major event takes place at the Manor Park Gardens in Exmouth on the 19th August 2006. The event "Meet The World In The Park" will bring together people from all over Devon to celebrate diversity and difference of the many BME communities now present across Devon. For more information and details on the school poster competition please visit the events section on our website at www.fatahe.com.

Meeting with the Friends of Devonport Park

Fata He was recently approached by the Friends of Devonport Park, who are attempting to bring the park back into

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full use for the benefit of the community. We are supportive of such an activity that brings together people from different backgrounds. As such, we are supporting the meeting in the park on 23rd September 2006, at which Fata He will be delivering its popular cultural storytelling tent designed to engage with parents and young children.

Fata He will be planning with the Devonport Park management committee, a major 'Meet the World in the Park' event for next summer. This event will include the major theme of 'Uniting Communities in Plymouth'. Keep an eye on our website www.fatahe.com for further information.

Devon & Cornwall Constabulary invest in community student police officer training placements.

Fata He was recently approached by D&C Police Community Engagement Manager, and were pleased to support the placement of a student police officer for four days in late June 2006. Cher Dunbar, our placement student is well known to the Devonport community having worked as a

teaching assistant at Parkside Community College. Cher got really involved in our work, as well as meeting several of our clients, Cher assisted with, and helped facilitate one of our Cultural Awareness training sessions at the Plymouth College of Further Education. The highlight to Cher's placement was assisting and supporting us at the launch of Unity Plymouth on the 29th June at the Plymouth Guildhall, where she was invited to meet with the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress (see picture below). It was a pleasure working with Cher, and assisting her with the development of her training. We also understand that Cher, on completion of her training might be returning to Devonport. If so, we would gladly welcome her back. Well done on an excellent placement.



Cher Dunbar pictured far right meeting with the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress at the launch of Unity Plymouth on 29th June 2006.



Does Your Organisation or Group

Need A Place to meet?

Do you require a venue to host your training event, conference or just need a place to meet.

Fata He has conference and a training room for hire which are fully equipped with PA facilities (also available for outside hire), visual technology, and refreshments. Contact us on 01752-607853 or Email admin@fatahe.com.

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We offer a wide range of infrastructure resources to help support and develop your organisation or group as it grows

Project Start Up Support

Setting up a Constitution

Setting up an action plan with realistic aims and objectives

Project planning

Setting up a social enterprise

Capacity Building

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Supporting BME parents and students in schools

Supporting BME individuals to access further and higher education

Work with young people on developing literacy and numeracy skills

Informal BME youth and arts based support work

Community Development Support

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One-to-One Advice Sessions

Individual development

Group and organisational development and training

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Fata He's Newsletter - reaches out to the Black and Minority Ethnic communities across the Counties of Devon and Cornwall, and is used to publicise to public, private and voluntary and community sector organisations to be better informed about issues affecting BME communities in the areas of crime, health, education, housing and employment through the promotion and engagement of independent and representative local BME led Community Forums.

Fata He BME Development Ltd - would like to thank individuals and organisations for their valuable contributions and for allowing us to share communications through this newsletter, thus extending the knowledge base of BME communities across Devon, Cornwall, Plymouth and Torbay. The views expressed in this newsletter do not necessarily reflect the views of Fata He or any of its BME led Community Forums, nor those of the editors, individually or collectively.

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Next Issue: Plymouth's part in the slave trade - should we ask for a public apology?

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