

NEATH PORT TALBOT BLACK MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 1182825

Details

Other names NPT BME COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2019-04-05

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 1) TO PROMOTE EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC, IN PARTICULAR, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY IN NEATH PORT TALBOT BY:A) ADVANCING EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS IN EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY;B) PROMOTING ACTIVITIES TO FOSTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN PEOPLE FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS.2) TO PROMOTE RACIAL HARMONY FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY IN NEATH PORT TALBOT, BY:A) ADVANCING EDUCATION AND RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT DIFFERENT RACIAL GROUPS TO PROMOTE GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN PERSONS OF DIFFERENT RACIAL GROUPS;B) WORKING TOWARDS THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION ON THE GROUNDS OF RACE.3) TO PROMOTE SOCIAL INCLUSION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY WORKING WITH PEOPLE IN NEATH PORT TALBOT AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS WHO ARE SOCIALLY EXCLUDED ON THE GROUNDS OF THEIR ETHNIC ORIGIN, RELIGION, BELIEF OR CREED, IN PARTICULAR MEMBERS OF THE MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY, TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF SUCH PEOPLE AND ASSIST THEM TO INTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY, IN PARTICULAR BY:A) PROVIDING A LOCAL NETWORK GROUP THAT ENCOURAGES AND ENABLES MEMBERS OF THE MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY TO PARTICIPATE MORE EFFECTIVELY WITH THE WIDER COMMUNITY;B) INCREASING, OR COORDINATING, OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS OF THE MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY TO ENGAGE WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS, TO ENABLE THOSE PROVIDERS TO ADAPT SERVICES TO BETTER MEET THE NEEDS OF THAT COMMUNITY.

Activities:) To promote equality and diversity for the benefit of the public, in particular, but not exclusively in Neath Port Talbot by:a) advancing education and raising awareness in equality and diversity;b) promoting activities to foster understanding between people from diverse backgrounds.2) To promote racial harmony for the public benefit, in particular but not exclusively in Neath Port Talbot,

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Neath Port Talbot

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£12,447	£8,607	-	-
2024-03-31	£11,298	£11,456	-	-
2023-03-31	£20,146	£8,186	-	-
2022-03-31	£15,000	£8,348	-	-
2021-03-31	£2,301	£13,320	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MUHAMMED USMAN	Chair	2019-04-05
ASHRA KHANOM		2019-04-05
Julius Shalders		2023-03-07
Mavis Thompson Thompson		2024-02-19
Muhammad Sajid		2025-02-25
Muslimah Miah		2025-02-25
SAIFUR RAHAMAN		2021-01-19
SHAHJAN MOHAMMED		2019-04-05
Suvithraa Paramasivarasa		2023-03-07
ZIAUR RAHMAN		2019-04-05

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Neath Port Talbot BME Community Association

Reports and accounts for the period 1st April 2024- 31st March 2025

Charity Registration Number 1182825

Neath Port Talbot BME Community Association

Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025

Opening Balance	39,971.62
	1st Apr 2024
Income Receipts	£
Donations	
Grants :	
NPTCBC	9,446.80
Swansea Council	1000
Community Chest	2000
	12,446.80
Total receipts	12,446.80
Reports and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2025	
Staff Costs	6,129.00
	6,129.00
Other Expenditure	
2 weekly Chai Chat activities & transport for attendees	836.00
Ridgeway Coaches	875.00
Windrush event	160.00
Insurance	479.04
Cinema visit	127.75
	2,477.79
Total payments	8,606.79
Net surplus / (deficit) for the year	3,840.01
	3,840.01
Net Assets	43,811.63

Neath Port Talbot BME Community Association
Annual Report for the year to 31st March 2025

The Neath Port Talbot BME Community Association is registered with the Charity Commissioners number 1182825 and is Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

The charity is administered by a management committee, comprising :

Chairperson	-	Muhammad Usman
Vice Chairman	-	Shahajan Mohammed
Treasurer	-	Ashra Khanom
Vice Treasurer	-	Ziaur Rahman
Secretary	-	Saifur Rahaman
Vice Secretary	-	n/a

The Trustees are:

Trustee 1	Muhammed Usman
Trustee 2	Muslimah Miah
Trustee 3	Muhammed Usman
Trustee 4	Suvithraa Paramasivarasa
Trustee 5	Julius Shalders
Trustee 6	Mohammad Sajid

Charity Main Objects

Charity Additional Objects

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MUHAMMED USMAN
Chair person

Date: 18th December 2025

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Annual Report
2024

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Introduction

As Chair of the Association, it is with pride that I present our Annual Report. The Association has remained focussed on its mission to provide support, build a sense of belonging, and amplify the voices of Black, Minority and Ethnic communities within Neath Port Talbot. In these challenging times, it is more important than ever to support and advocate for social justice, equality, and the celebration of our rich cultural heritage.

This report provides an overview of what has been achieved, a look at our financial standing, and an assessment of how our activities have positively impacted the lives of many in our community. I hope you enjoy reading about some of the things we have done.

I would like to thank Neath Port Talbot Council, which has made the work of the Association possible through its third sector grant. The arrangement between the Council's Community Cohesion post and the Association has continued to have a positive impact in taking forward important elements of the Association's work. Also, to the Police, Health Board, and all our third sector friends that have funded or contributed in other ways to the Association. We also thank Neath Port Talbot CVS for its administrative support, advice, and guidance. Special thanks to the wider community which has attended and made contributions to the range of activities, meetings, workshops, training, and chai and chat sessions.

Your collective dedication and commitment to our shared vision makes all the difference to the work we do.

The Association welcomed one new Trustee, Mavis Thompson, who joined the Association during the year. I take this opportunity to thank all our Trustees for their time, dedication, and commitment in governing and directing the work of the Association. Thanks also to our other volunteers who work with the Association. They all have busy lives and, like all volunteers, give of their time freely with no expectation of return.

As we reflect on the challenges of the past year and those that lay ahead, we come together to use this learning as we look forward to the future and what we need to do next to achieve our mission.

Farida Patel, Chair
Neath Port Talbot
Black Minority Ethnic
Community Association

Trustees who Served

- Lara Griffiths (until September 2024)
- Ashra Khanom (Treasurer)
- Shahjan Mohammed
- Suvithraa Paramasivarasa
- Farida Yusuf Patel (Chair)
- Saifur Rahaman (Secretary)
- Ziaur Rahman
- Julius Shalders
- Muhammed Usman
- Mavis Thompson (from February 2024)

Digital Heroes Training

Back in March 2024, the association and CVS arranged a Digital Heroes training session for the young people of Neath Port Talbot.

This session took place at Neath Port Talbot CVS and was for young people between the ages of seven and nineteen. The session was delivered by Digital Communities Wales and provided the young people with the skills to teach their elderly relatives how to use technology safely and to its full potential.

After the session, the young people who took part were all awarded with a certificate and the title of Digital Hero.

Chai and Chat

The Neath Chai & Chat group continue to meet on a weekly basis at Neath library. The group welcomes ladies from diverse communities and backgrounds within Neath Port Talbot.

These sessions provide a safe space for individuals to come along, have a hot drink and to socialise with one another.

The group welcomes a guest speaker each week who will speak to the group about important topics. In the last few weeks, a range of guest speakers have been welcomed including the Swansea Bay University Health Board team, CRUSE Bereavement, The Tackling Poverty team and more.

The group have also completed a Health and Nutrition course to highlight the importance and benefits of healthy eating and exercise.

Ysgol Cwm Brombil

Parent Network Meetings

The Association continues to work closely with Ysgol Cwm Brombil for their BME Parent Network Meetings. The purpose of these meetings is to strengthen the relationship between the parents and the school, to promote diversity within the school and to provide a safe space to discuss important issues within the school.

Over the past year, the sessions have focused on topics like the GCSE curriculum, Halal food in the school and World Refugee week.

In the last meeting, we were joined by the Race Equality First team who provided a talk on their free Anti-Racism workshops for schools and the other training opportunities that they offer.

A questionnaire has recently been circulated with parents of children in Ysgol Cwm Brombil to gain feedback on the BME Parent Network Meetings and what attendees would like to see moving forward. We have received some very positive feedback on these meetings with attendees stating that it has improved trust and confidence between the parents and teachers at the school.

We are looking forward to continuing our working relationship with Ysgol Cwm Brombil.



World Refugee Week Celebration

Back in June, the Association supported Ysgol Cwm Brombil with their World Refugee Day Celebration.

The purpose of this event was to recognise and celebrate the contributions that the Refugees in Neath Port Talbot have made for our communities.

Ysgol Cwm Brombil is a very diverse school and has many students who are Refugees and from diverse backgrounds in general.



The event took place at the school and involved fantastic performances from the refugee students. There was a variety of performances ranging from musical instrument recitals, poems, dance routines and singing.

This event provided an opportunity to hear the personal stories from the refugee students and to recognise the valuable contributions that they bring to our community.

Windrush Day Celebration Event

In August, we supported the planning and delivery of the Neath Port Talbot Windrush Day Celebration Event.

This event took place at the Princess Royal Theatre in Port Talbot and was very well attended by members of the community as well as organisations with information stalls.



The band Swansea Bay Reggae played background Caribbean music while guests arrived and there were information displays that guests could look at which included biographies of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd generations who settled in Port Talbot, the journey of HMT Empire Windrush to the UK and the contributions that the Windrush generation have made to our society.

This event was packed with musical performances, poem recitals, guest speakers, videos, Caribbean food and more!

WINDRUSH DAY CELEBRATION EVENT

Caribbean
Food &
Music

FREE

Guest speakers, performances, film screening and information stalls!

Funded by Welsh Government

Kemba Hadaway-Morgan, MSc, BA as Guest Speaker

13th August 2024 | 11:00am - 2:00pm

The Princess Royal Theatre, Civic Centre,
Port Talbot, SA13 1PJ

To book your free space please visit:
<https://forms.office.com/e/LPHJtLqQdU> or contact
s.newbury@npt.gov.uk or s.barrell1@npt.gov.uk

Black History Wales 365

Back in October, the Association supported the NPT Black History Wales 365 Event.

This event took place in The Castle Hotel in Neath and was very well attended. Partner agencies were present with their own stalls to show support for this initiative.



The event included Guest Speakers, Caribbean Music and Information Displays. The event ended with an educational Black History talk.

This event was a great way of educating attendees on Black History and to recognise and celebrate the contributions that Black History has had to our community of Neath Port Talbot. It was also an opportunity to network with other organisations in preparation for future events.



The feedback received from this event has been very positive and many attendees have stated that they would like to see similar events held in the future.

Birmingham University Educational Visit

In June 2024, a group of 49 men, women, children, and young people went on a cultural exposure visit to Birmingham. The visit, involving community members and asylum seekers, increased their understanding of British culture and history by providing insight into higher education options and pathways.

The Association firmly believes that visits like this significantly enrich the lives of asylum seekers by broadening their horizons and supporting their integration into the community.

The visit included a yoga session and a visit to Lapworth Museum of Geology, where the participants enjoyed viewing the rocks, fossils, volcanoes, and earthquakes! Dinosaurs captured the imagination of all visitors as they explored life over the past 3.5 billion years.



New Website

The Association is in the process of creating a new and improved website where all news and upcoming projects and events can be broadcasted.

We are planning to have a personalised section on our Trustees so that people can get to know us and the structure of the association a bit better. The new website should be up and running in early 2025.

Citizens Advice Project

The Association continues to work in partnership with Citizens Advice Swansea Neath Port Talbot.

We are able to provide support to those from ethnic backgrounds within Neath Port Talbot by referring them to Citizens Advice for anything from general advice to advice on benefit and debt issues.

Over the past year, we have made several referrals and have been able to help these individuals get their issues resolved.

Financial Report

Reports and accounts for the period 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024

Charity Registration Number 1182825

Opening Balance

£40,129.33

Income Receipts

Donations

Grants:

NPTCBC: £10,048.08

Unison: £250

Big Lottery - Health and Wellbeing: £1,000

Total: £11,298.08

Reports and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024

Staff Costs: £6,129

Other expenditure

Comic Relief - Room Hire for Community Celebration: £327

Comic Relief - Volunteers: £69.57

Comic Relief - Botanical Gardens: £955.20

Comic Relief - St Fagans: £375

Comic Relief - Art Workshop & Refreshments: £237.94

Comic Relief - Zumba Instructor & Room Hire: £300

Comic Relief - Bikeability: £117

Comic Relief - Boxing: £110

First Aid Kit: £27.59

First Aid Training: £241.20

Community Event - Henna Artist: £50

Black History Month - Room Hire & Food: £712

Black History Month - Speaker: £100

Big Lottery - Yoga Instructor & Room Hire: £510

Staff Training: £10

Community Art Workshop - Children: £120

Website Domain: £74.10

Insurance: £443.01

YMCA Meeting Room Hire and Lunch: £547.40

Total: £5,327.01

Total Payments: £11,456.01

Net surplus/deficit for the year: £157.93

Net Assets: £39,971.40

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st March 2024

Monetary Assets

Bank and Cash Balance

Bank Current Account: £39, 971.40

Debtors: £0

Cash in Hand: £0

Net Assets: £39, 971.40

The Board of Trustees has approved the above Statement and Account as making up the annual accounts for the charity for the year to 31st March 2024 which the Trustees have elected to prepare under section 42(3) of the Charities Act 1993 in accordance with the provisions of that section.

**Muhammed Usman
Neath Port Talbot
Black Minority Ethnic
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Introduction

The situation over the reporting year continued to be challenging as the post-pandemic period and cost-of-living crisis continues to impact local communities. However, the Association has made further progress and I am pleased to highlight the good work that has been achieved in this report.

The Association welcomed two new Trustees, Suvithraa Paramasivarasa and Julius Shalders, who both joined the Association in March 2023. We look forward to working with them as Trustees and thank them for offering their time, skills, and knowledge for the Association.

I take this opportunity to thank all our Trustees for their time, dedication, and commitment in governing and directing the work of the Association.

The arrangement between the Council's Community Cohesion post and the Association has continued to have a positive impact in taking forward important elements of the Association's work. Thanks also to all our other volunteers who work closely with the Association. They all have busy lives and, like all great volunteers, give of their time freely and with no expectation of return.

I would like to thank Neath Port Talbot Council, which has made the work of the Association possible through its third sector grant and to Neath Port Talbot CVS for its administrative support, advice, and guidance.

Thanks go to all those that have funded the Association over the reporting year which has helped us take forward and implement many of our project ideas. Without the support of our partners in the third sector, we would not have been able to deliver as an Association.

Thanks also to all those in the community who have attended and made contributions to the range of in-person activities, remotely held meetings, workshops, training, and the Chai and Chat sessions.

We look forward to the year ahead as we feel the impact of economic and social challenges. We will work with all our partners, including the Council, Police, Health Board, third sector organisations and local schools, in designing support and interventions that will help support our community.

Farida Patel, Chair

Trustees who Served

- Lara Griffiths
- Doreen Jones (until November 2023)
- Ashra Khanom (Treasurer)
- Shahjan Mohammed
- Suvithraa Paramasivarasa (from March 2023)
- Farida Yusuf Patel (Chair)
- Saifur Rahaman (Secretary)
- Ziaur Rahman
- Julius Shalders (from March 2023)
- Muhammed Usman



Ysgol Cwm Brombil

Parent Network Meetings

The Association continues to work with Ysgol Cwm Brombil in the Parent Network Meetings and have built a strong relationship with the school and teachers.

These meetings have been set up to celebrate and educate on the culture and traditions that are held within our community. Throughout the year, we have seen sessions on Ramadan, Disability Awareness, Christianity & Christmas and a Food, Faith and Culture Celebration.



Having these regular meetings have opened discussions on other topics like anti-racism sessions and Halal food options at the school and what the school can do to ensure that issues relating to this are dealt with.

We are now planning the 2024 Parent Network Meetings and are hoping to focus on topics like GCSE Curriculum Pressures, Health and Wellbeing, Hate Crime and Racism.

We would like to thank the Ysgol Cwm Brombil Staff for working with us on this initiative and to all the parents who have made every effort to attend the sessions.

Neath Chai & Chat

After the success of the Port Talbot Chai & Chat sessions, the Association has been supporting Neath Port Talbot CVS, Neath College and Neath Port Talbot Council in setting up the Neath Chai & Chat group.

The group started up in May 2023 and takes place every Thursday morning in Neath Library. The purpose of these sessions is to bring individuals together to have a chat all while learning about important topics from the weekly guest speakers.

Since starting the sessions, the group has continued to grow and is now welcoming between 15-20 attendees every week who have all become great friends, even joining other groups and activities outside of Chai & Chat.



Over the year, the group has welcomed a range of important guest speakers including Tenovus Cancer Care, Race Equality First, Neath Port Talbot Council Employees and Jeremy Miles MS, Minister for Education in Welsh Government.

The planning is now in place for the 2024 Chai & Chat group sessions and there are already some great guest speakers booked in for the next few months.

Windrush Day Coffee Morning

Back in June 2023, the Association arranged a Coffee Morning to mark the 75th anniversary of Windrush.

The session took place in Port Talbot Library and was opened with a speech from the Deputy Mayor of Neath Port Talbot.

The morning opened with a presentation on the history of Windrush and was followed by an arts and crafts session on flag keyring making.

The event was a great success with attendees all engaging in discussion and sharing their own personal stories of them and their families moving to Port Talbot.



Neath Port Talbot
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WINDRUSH
75

**WINDRUSH
DAY 2023**

JOIN US TO MARK THE 75TH
ANNIVERSARY OF WINDRUSH

*Coffee morning followed by a presentation
on Windrush history and crafts session*

THURSDAY | 10AM -
22ND JUNE | 12PM

PORT TALBOT LIBRARY, ABERAFAN SHOPPING
CENTRE, PORT TALBOT, SA13 1PB

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:
S.RAHAMAN.SR@GMAIL.COM
S.BARRELL1@NPT.GOV.UK



Vision Exercise with CVS

In August we were joined by Liz Randall from Neath Port Talbot CVS who facilitated a visioning exercise with the Association. The purpose of this session was to look at the future vision for the Association and what we would like to achieve moving forward.

We were split into groups and discussed what we thought the vision for the Association was. One example was, "To promote culture and diversity in Neath Port Talbot by empowering, advocating and being the voice of ethnic minorities leading to prosperity".

We then discussed what the short and long term goals were for the Association in order to achieve our vision. This session was very beneficial and helped us get sight of the future and our next steps moving forward. A massive thank you to CVS for coming along to provide this session for us.

Comic Relief Project Celebration

In August, we held an event to celebrate the end of the Comic Relief Project. Throughout the project, we have seen our volunteers and communities arrange and get involved in a range of activities to promote both physical and emotional well-being.

These activities included Zumba classes, walking groups, running groups, boxing classes, Bikeability sessions, arts and crafts sessions, educational trips and hair and beauty classes.

The celebration took place at St Pauls and gave us a chance to look over the photographs from the activities and celebrate the achievements. A special thank you to our dedicated volunteers who took their time to arrange the different groups and classes and who made the Comic Relief Project a great success.



Black History Wales 365

In October 2023, in partnership with UNISON and Safer NPT, the Association arranged an event for Black History Wales 365 which took place at St Pauls Centre in Port Talbot.



The event consisted of guest speakers, information displays of our Welsh Black role models, biographies of the descendants of the families that moved to Port Talbot in the 1950s/1960s, and a film screening of "Just ah likkle piece of Jamaica inna Port Talbot."

There were around 50 attendees and we have received some very positive feedback on the event. Following the event, we posted extracts of the biographies on our Facebook page throughout the month of October, for which we received brilliant feedback.



Hate Crime Information Session

To mark Hate Crime Awareness Week in October, we arranged a Hate Crime information session. The session took place in Port Talbot library and was delivered by the South Wales Police Hate Crime Team.

The session focused on what a hate crime is and how to report it. Alongside this, attendees were provided with local statistics of hate crime so that they could get a picture of what type of hate crimes occur in the local area.

The session went well and attendees were very engaging by asking questions which the Hate Crime team were happy to answer.



Zumba Fitness Project

The Association has been awarding funding from the National Lottery to provide Zumba classes for those within our community.

The Zumba Fitness Project will unite individuals from diverse backgrounds to encourage a healthy lifestyle. This will have an impact on both their physical and emotional wellbeing.

The classes should be up and running within the next few months.

Citizens Advice Project

The Association is now working in partnership with Citizens Advice Swansea Neath Port Talbot.

Some members of the Association have received training on the referral system, where they are able to refer individuals who may be seeking advice on a range of topics.

We have opened this up so that individuals who are seeking advice on benefits or general advice can come to us and then be referred to Citizens Advice.

DO YOU NEED ADVICE?

The Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association are now working with Citizens Advice



- ▶ Citizens Advice Swansea Neath Port Talbot provides a range of advice services including general advice and information and specialist advice for benefit and debt issues.
- ▶ We can help you work out what benefits you may be able to claim. Many people are unaware they may be entitled to benefits that could offer the support they need.
- ▶ We can provide one-to-one energy advice to fuel poor and vulnerable clients which includes advice on fuel options, tariffs and energy grants, as well energy efficiency advice, with the aim of reducing bills. For eligible clients we can also issue fuel vouchers.



If you need confidential, free support please get in touch with s.rahman.sr@gmail.com or s.barrellt@npt.gov.uk

Young People's Questionnaire

As an Association, we have been looking at ways that we can engage with the younger generation.

We have created a questionnaire to find out about what the young people within our community would like to see in Neath Port Talbot. The questionnaire focuses on what they do in their spare time currently, what they would like to see and how the Association could support them.

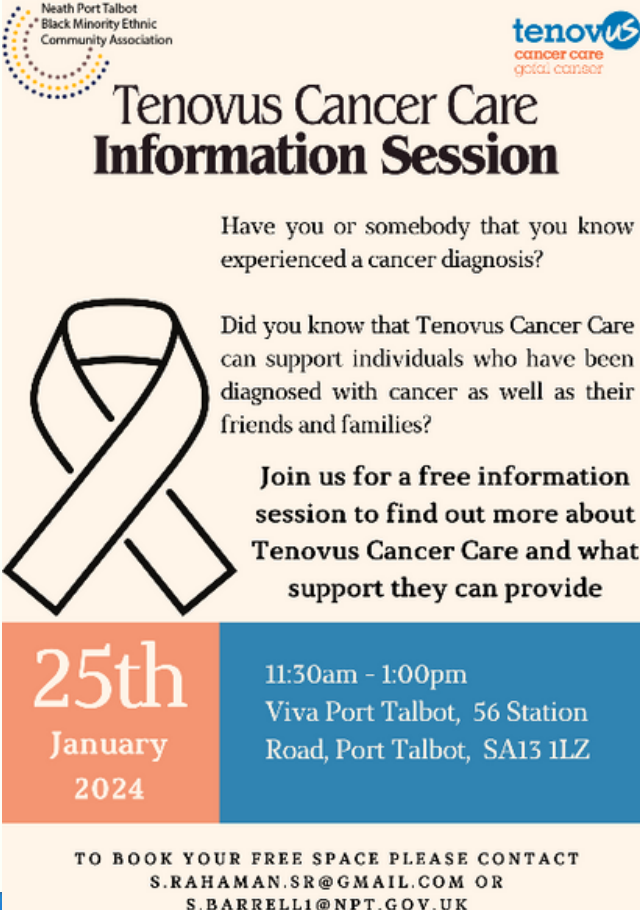
The questionnaire has been distributed to the schools and colleges within Neath Port Talbot and has also been shared with the Youth Council Team for distribution.

Tenovus Cancer Care Information Session

In January, we arranged an information session for the men within the BME community on Tenovus Cancer Care.

The session took place in Viva Port Talbot and was delivered by the Tenovus team who spoke about what they offer as an organisation and the signs and symptoms of prostate cancer.

The Tenovus team was able to share statistics and risk factors and were open to answering any questions that those in attendance had.



Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association

tenovus
cancer care
get it earlier

Tenovus Cancer Care Information Session

Have you or somebody that you know experienced a cancer diagnosis?

Did you know that Tenovus Cancer Care can support individuals who have been diagnosed with cancer as well as their friends and families?

Join us for a free information session to find out more about Tenovus Cancer Care and what support they can provide

25th
January
2024

11:30am - 1:00pm
Viva Port Talbot, 56 Station Road, Port Talbot, SA13 1LZ

TO BOOK YOUR FREE SPACE PLEASE CONTACT
S.RAHAMAN.SR@GMAIL.COM OR
S.BARRELLI@NPT.GOV.UK



Trading Standards Training Session

In February we arranged a training session on Food Allergens for those who work within the food industry in Neath Port Talbot. The session was delivered by the Trading Standards Team and took place in Neath Civic Centre.

The session was very informative and covered Food Allergen Information, Food Traceability and Meal Descriptions.

Attendees all found it useful and were able to ask the Trading Standards Team questions throughout.



Financial Report

Reports and accounts for the period 1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023
Charity Registration Number 1182825

Income Receipts

Donations

Grants:

NPTCBC: £11,897.56

Comic Relief: £5,000

MIND: £3,248

Total receipts: £20,145.56

Reports and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023

Staff Costs: £6,129

Other expenditure

Wellbeing Day August 2022: £841.64

Chinese Community: £35

Employment Fair: £453

Insurance: £427.68

Comic Relief: £300

Total: £2,057.32

Total Payments: £8,186.32

Net surplus/deficit for the year: £11,959.24

Net Assets: £40,129.55

The Board of Trustees has approved the above Statement and Account as making up the annual accounts for the charity for the year to 31st March 2023, which the Trustees have elected to prepare under section 42(3) of the Charities Act 1993 in accordance with the provisions of that section.

Farida Patel
Chair

Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association



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Introduction

It gives me great pleasure to present the annual report of the Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association for the year 2021-2022.

The situation over the past few years has made our activities and work very challenging. Nevertheless, we have made good progress, which I have highlighted in this report.

The Association welcomes Sheridan Barrell, our new Community Cohesion Officer, who is working very closely with the Association and its members and has already established a good relationship with members of the BME communities in Neath Port Talbot.

The arrangement between the council's Community Cohesion post and the BME Association is working well, and we anticipate that the partnership agreement will remain in place to help further develop the Association.

I take this opportunity to thank the Trustees of the Association for their time, dedication, and commitment in helping govern and direct the work of the Association.

Thanks also to all our other volunteers who work closely with the Association. They all have busy lives and, like all great volunteers, give of their time freely and with no expectation of return.

I would like to thank Neath Port Talbot Council, which makes the work of the Association possible through its third sector grant and to Neath Port Talbot CVS for its administrative support, advice, and guidance.

Thanks go to all our other funders, strategic organisations and partners in the third sector, without whom we would not be able to deliver as an Association.

Thanks also to all those friends and partners that have attended and made contributions to the wider Association through remotely held meetings, workshops, training and awareness sessions, and the chai and chat sessions.

The Association said goodbye to Mohamad Khatib, one of our Trustees, who is now pursuing his higher education at Swansea University. We wish him the very best and thank him for his service to the Association.

Farida Patel, Chair

Trustees who Served

- Lara Griffiths
- Doreen Jones
- Ashra Khanom (Treasurer)
- Mohamad Khatib (left)
- Shahjan Mohammed
- Farida Yusuf Patel (Chair)
- Saifur Rahaman (Secretary)
- Ziaur Rahman
- Imran Sarwar (left)
- Muhammed Usman

Wider Association Meetings

Meetings of the wider Association have continued to take place remotely.

The meetings have good attendance rates and provide an opportunity for all those who share an interest in the work of the Association to meet partner organisations and other support groups and agencies to discuss matters concerning BME communities.

Some of the guests and speakers at the wider Association meetings have included:

- Neath Port Talbot Council HR Team
- Local Police Hate Crime and Cohesion team
- Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of West Glamorgan,
Mrs Louise Fleet CStJ JP
- Welsh Government's Head of Anti-racist Wales Action Plan
Implementation Team

Comic Relief Project

The Association has been successful in its grant application to the Comic Relief Community Fund in Wales. This means that it has received funding to carry out a range of activities with the focus on promoting health and wellbeing for BME communities in Neath Port Talbot. The Association has recruited 10 volunteers who have all received volunteer training to help plan and roll out these activities.

The Association has held several meetings to discuss the project and what activities we think would benefit those within the community. Following these joint discussions, a range of different activities were planned and delivered by our volunteers including:

- Zumba classes at the Plaza in Port Talbot, which take place every Monday and have seen great attendance at all sessions.
- A men's walking club, which takes place every Wednesday and involves scenic walks around Port Talbot and the surrounding areas.
- A women's running club which takes place on Saturday mornings.
- Arts and crafts sessions, bikeability classes, boxing classes and educational trips are being planned.

Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association

WOMEN'S ZUMBA CLASSES

STARTING ON THE 6TH FEBRUARY

FREE

EVERY MONDAY
1:30PM - 2:30PM

THE PLAZA

14 TALBOT ROAD, PORT TALBOT, SA13 1DT

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT
Rahina - 07930450439
Sahina - 07548828487

BME MEN'S WALKING CLUB

EVERY WEDNESDAY | 11AM-12:30PM | LOCATION TBC

Come and join us for gentle weekly walks in Neath Port Talbot and the surrounding areas
Come along to meet others, or bring a friend!
We advise that you wear weather appropriate clothing and suitable footwear

If you would like to join please get in touch via
s.rahman.sr@gmail.com or 07824445991

Website: www.nptbme.wales Facebook: NPT BME Community Association

BIKEABILITY

Dunvant Rugby Club Broadacre, Killay, Swansea. SA2 7RU

Bikeability helps you learn practical skills and understand how to cycle on today's roads. Bikeability gives everyone the confidence to cycle and enjoy this skill for life.

For children aged 11+

Saturday 29th April
Saturday 6th May
Saturday 13th May
Saturday 20th May
All sessions will run from 10am-11am

Only 5 spaces available, child must be able to commit to attending all 4 sessions in Swansea.

Both children who can and cannot ride a bike are welcome.

FREE

If you would like to book a space, or for further information please contact Ashra on 07955503377

ARTS AND CRAFTS CLASSES

Come along and learn about arts & crafts right from the experts! A range of different craft activities to be enjoyed in each session.

Places must be booked in advance.

TUESDAYS 10AM-12PM ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:
7th, 14th & 21st of March.
16th, 23rd & 30th of May.

Port Talbot Library
SA13 1PB

To book your space please contact Ashra on 07955503377

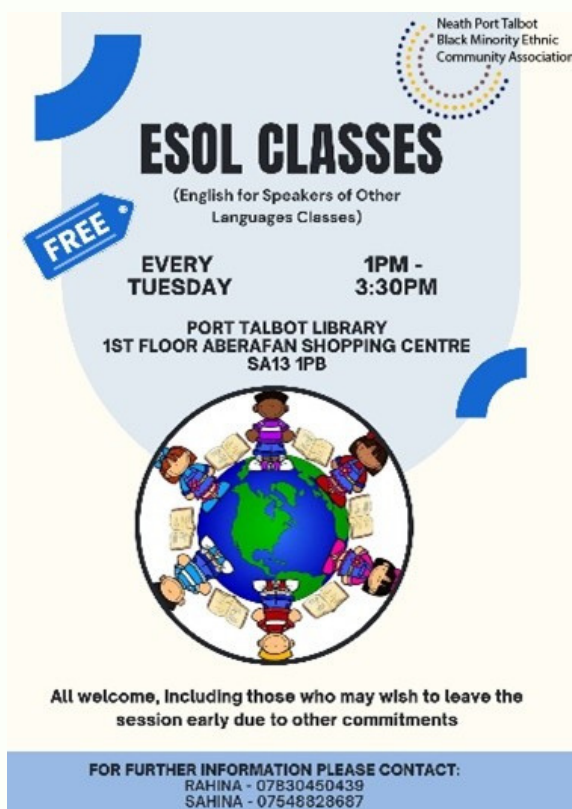
Chai and Chat

In partnership with Swansea Bay University Health Board and the Diverse Communities Outreach Officer at Neath Port Talbot CVS, the Association has set up weekly women's Chai and Chat sessions, which take place every Tuesday morning at Port Talbot Library.

These sessions give attendees an opportunity to meet and chat with others, while having a hot drink and something to eat. It has been a great opportunity to meet others from the area and to discuss important topics led by speakers from Neath Port Talbot Mind, South Wales Police, the College, and many others.

To mark the success of the Chai and Chat sessions, a celebratory event was held in December 2022 at St Paul's Centre, Aberafan, where all those who have participated in the sessions were invited and presented with a certificate and thanked for all their efforts and enthusiasm.

As a result of the Chai and Chat sessions, our volunteers have organised regular ESOL classes in partnership with the College, which are being held on a weekly basis.



Neath Port Talbot
Black Minority Ethnic
Community Association

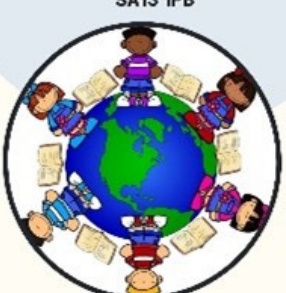
ESOL CLASSES

(English for Speakers of Other
Languages Classes)

FREE

**EVERY
TUESDAY** **1PM -
3:30PM**

**PORT TALBOT LIBRARY
1ST FLOOR ABERAFAN SHOPPING CENTRE
SA13 1PB**



All welcome, including those who may wish to leave the
session early due to other commitments

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:
RAHINA - 07830450439
SAHINA - 07548828687

BME Recruitment Day

Following from our first meeting with the council's HR Team, the Association planned a BME Recruitment Day event which took place at the Princess Royal Theatre in Port Talbot.


Alongside the council, which provided employment opportunities and advice, there were also other organisations in attendance such as Careers Wales, Workways Plus, Communities for Work Plus, EYST, Neath Port Talbot CVS and DWP, who were all able to provide information and advice on careers, volunteering, and support with CV writing tips. The event received over 50 attendees and was a great success.

The Association will continue to work in partnership with Neath Port Talbot Council on this initiative by helping enable more members of the BME communities to feel comfortable and confident in working for the council. Here are some quotes from the press release issued by the council following the event:

Diane Hopkins, Principal HR Manager at Neath Port Talbot Council said: "It was a great opportunity for the council to partner with the NPT BME Community

Association at this event, to showcase the diverse jobs we have available and to provide guidance and advice on how to apply. We also had employees from our Ethnic Minority Employee Network at the event so they could share their experience of working for the Council with potential applicants."

Sheenagh Rees, Head of People and Organisational Development added: "The Council is an inclusive employer and we are delighted to be strengthening our links with the NPT BME Community Association and other networks to encourage people to work for us who wouldn't have previously considered a career with the Council."



Neath Port Talbot Ethnic Minority Employee Network
Neath Port Talbot Council

BME RECRUITMENT INFORMATION DAY

CAREER ADVICE

JOB VACANCIES

Come along and find out more about the employment opportunities with Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council

24th January | 10am - 1pm
The Princess Royal Theatre, Civic Centre, Port Talbot, SA13 1PJ

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
S.RAHAMAN.SR@GMAIL.COM / S.BARRELL1@NPT.GOV.UK

Allergen Information and Natasha's Law Webinar

In October 2022, alongside Trading Standards, we held a Webinar for BME food businesses in Neath Port Talbot on Allergen Information and Natasha's Law. The session provided in depth information on Natasha's Law and what food businesses are legally required to do when it comes to allergen information and how this is displayed.

The webinar had 17 attendees from ethnic backgrounds who are either working or owned a catering/food business within Neath Port Talbot. Attendees interacted and engaged well at the webinar. Following on from the success and interest shown at the webinar, we are now planning an in-person session with both Trading Standards and Food Hygiene.



Allergen Information and Natasha's Law

Information, support and advice for local businesses

Wednesday 26th October
12:30pm - 2:00pm
Microsoft Teams

Join us for a free Webinar held by Trading Standards

A session on what food businesses need to know about Natasha's Law followed by a Q&A

To take part please email s.barrell1@npt.gov.uk or s.rahman.sr@gmail.com to receive the Microsoft Teams link.

Black History Month Workshop

To mark Black History Month in October 2022, together with the Vulnerable Learners' Service in Neath Port Talbot, the Association helped organise a workshop in Ysgol Carreg Hir Primary School in Briton Ferry.

Jessica Dunrod, who is Wales's first Black children's author, led the workshop, which was based on one of her books. Jessica talked to the children about the importance of not judging somebody by what they look like and where they are from, and how they can do anything that they set their mind to regardless of their backgrounds. It was a very interactive session which all the children enjoyed.

Ysgol Cwm Brombil BME Parents Network Group

The Association has been working with Ysgol Cwm Brombil in partnership with Swansea Bay University Health Board and Neath Port Talbot CVS, to arrange regular BME Parent Network meetings in order to exchange knowledge and information about the diverse culture and traditions in the local community.

The first session was led by Ashraf Ali Lorgat, Imam from Port Talbot Mosque who delivered a presentation on Ramadan. In attendance were parents, teachers, pupils, and individuals who are keen on promoting culture and diversity at the school. All participants found the session very informative and gave positive feedback on how they have learnt more about Ramadan.

Planned sessions include topics such as Disability Awareness, Food, Faith and Culture, Hinduism, and Community Culture.

Women's Sunday Fun Day

On Sunday 17th July 2022, the Association held a Women's Health and Wellbeing Day at St Theodore's Church Hall in Port Talbot for women and children from the Black Minority Ethnic Community.

The event was aimed at promoting better health awareness with different activities and other wellbeing tips and advice. NPT Mind attended to provide advice on projects and activities that are available locally. It focused on well-being and gave the opportunity for attendees to socialise and meet with others following the pandemic.

YSGOL CWM BROMBIL COMMUNITY NETWORK GROUP

'Understanding Faith'

Come along for a
presentation on Ramadan
with Ashraf Ali Lorgat Imam
from Port Talbot Mosque

THURSDAY
FEBRUARY
16TH

11AM -
12PM

YSGOL CWM BROMBIL
BERTHA ROAD
PORT TALBOT
SA13 2AN

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

S.DAHAMAN.SP@GMAIL.COM
S.BARRELL1@NPT.GOV.UK OR
TOMKINSJ1@HWBCYMRU.NET



The event received 40 attendees and included activities such as henna painting, face painting, chair yoga, musical chairs as well as colouring and a bouncy castle for the children. Neath Port Talbot CVS, Swansea Bay University Health Board and other council services were also in attendance to provide support and advice on the day.

All the feedback from the attendees was positive, with all of them saying that they enjoyed the event and that they would like to see similar events held in the future.

Mayor's Interfaith Afternoon Tea

The Association assisted the Mayor of Neath Port Talbot to organise and plan the first ever Mayor's Interfaith Afternoon Tea, which took place on Thursday the 23rd February 2023 at The Margam Orangery.

The event took place to celebrate the diversity and culture that exists within the faith communities in Neath Port Talbot, where attendees were all encouraged to wear traditional dress.

The event had 150 attendees where the Mayor and other key speakers highlighted the importance of the Faith, Spiritual and Religious groups in Neath Port Talbot and how the part that they play in community cohesion is vital.

The event was an opportunity to bring everybody together to meet and to celebrate the work that those from our local faith communities do.

Funding

The Association was successful in obtaining funding from Neath Port Talbot Council's Third Sector Grant, which has enabled it to continue sharing the cost of the Community Cohesion Officer to help deliver our projects, meetings, and engagement activity, and to undertake other organisational related work.

The funding also enabled us to secure administration support from Neath Port Talbot CVS. In addition, we received funding from the Comic Relief Community Fund in Wales Grant.

Financial Report

Financial Report 2021 - 2022

Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022

Income Receipts

Donations

Grants

NPTCBC: £15,000

Total receipts

£15,000

Reports and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022

Staff Costs

£6,130

Other expenditure

Computer Equipment: £1,605

Postage & Stationery: £35

Event and activity costs: £150

Insurance: £428

Miscellaneous: -

£2,218

Total Payments: £8,348

Net surplus/deficit for the year: £6,652

Net Assets: £28,170

The Board of Trustees has approved the above Statement and Account as making up the annual accounts for the charity for the year to 31st March 2022, which the Trustees have elected to prepare under section 42(3) of the Charities Act 1993 in accordance with the provisions of that section.

Farida Patel
Chair

Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association



NEATH PORT TALBOT BLACK MINORITY ETHNIC COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

England & Wales - Charity number 1182825

Accounts

Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association

Reports and accounts for the period 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021

Charity Registration Number 1182825

Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association
Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021

	31.03.2021
Income Receipts	£
Donations	
Grants : ICF Capital	1,602
NPTCBC	7,321
Wales REAP	1,988
	10,911
 Total receipts	 10,911
 Reports and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021	
Staff Costs	18,125
	18,125
 Other Expenditure	
Computer Equipment	1,606
Postage & Stationery	41
Event and activity costs	1,139
Insurance	425
Misc	
	3,210
 Total payments	 21,336
 Net surplus / (deficit) for the year	 (10,425)
Net Assets	(10,425)
	21,517

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Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association
Annual Report for the year to 31st March 2021

Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association is registered with the Charity Commissioners number 1182825 and constituted by Deed of Trust.

The charity is administered by a management committee, comprising :

Chairman	Mrs	Farida Patel
Vice Chairman	Mr	Shahajan Mohammed
Treasurer	Dr	Ashra Khanom
Vice Treasurer	Mr	Ziaur Rahman
Secretary	Mr	Saifur Rahman

The Trustees are:

Trustee 1	Mrs	Lara	Griffiths
Trustee 2	Mrs	Doreen	
Trustee 3	Mr	Usman	Khan
Trustee 4			
Trustee 5			

Charity Main Objects

Charity Additional Objects

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Farida Patel
Chairman

Date:

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT

To the Trustees and Members of the Neath Port Talbot Black Minority Ethnic Community Association

We have examined the accounts for the financial year to 31st March 2021 as set out on the attached accounts on the basis explained below.

Respective responsibilities of the charity trustees and the independent examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the charity's accounts, and they consent to the audit.

As a charity, they are entitled to adopt the receipts and payments basis for the financial year provided by section 42(3) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act); and the audit requirements of section 43(2) of the Act does not apply but the alternative requirement for an independent examination under section 43(3)(a) does apply.

It is our responsibility to state, on the basis of the procedures outlined below, whether any matters have come to our attention in connection with the independent examination.

Reports and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021

Our examination work was carried out in accordance with the applicable General Directives issued by the Charities Commissioners under section 43(7)(b) of the Act. An independent examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual or significant transactions or events and their disclosure in the accounts, and seeking any further information or explanations we considered necessary concerning any such matters. The procedure required to be carried out does not provide all the evidence that would be required for an audit, and consequently our report does not express any audit opinion on the view given in the accounts.

Report

In connection with the examination no matter has come to our attention

- (a) giving us any reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 41 of the Act, or that the accounts do not agree with those records; or
- (b) which in our opinion needs to be highlighted in our report to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Accountants, Tax & Small Business Advisors

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