

Race and Ethnicity – Useful Organisations and Contacts

African

- Inter Diocesan West Africa Link (IDWAL)
We link communities, especially churches and schools, in Sussex with schools and churches in Sierra Leone, Gambia, Guinea, Liberia and Cameroon.
Diocesan Church House 211 New Church Road, Hove, BN3 4ED
01273 421021/425694
- Sudanese Coptic Association (SCA)
Support and represent the Sudanese Coptic community.
www.sudaneseoptic.com
P.O. Box 2704, Brighton, BN1 2QW
01273 707178 or 0777 56 30 143

Afro Caribbean

- African French Speaker Community East Sussex
Community Support Group.
- Akwaaba!
A drop-in mutual support group for Black and Minority Ethnic Women of all ages.
c/o The Brunswick Project 11A Upper Market Street, Hove, BN2 1AS
01273 325039
- Eastbourne Cultural Communities Network (ECCN)
Supporting and working with local black, ethnic and small minority groups.
www.eccn.org.uk
Units 4 & 6, Cavendish Business Centre, 86a Cavendish Place., Eastbourne, BN21 3RR
01323 735772 07918 743556/7
- Partnership Community Safety Team
Offers advice and casework support to people experiencing anti-social behaviour, hate incidents and domestic violence
www.safeinthecity.info
162 North Street, Brighton
01273 294646

Anglo-French

- Cercle Francais de Brighton et Hove
Talks in French and social activities with a French theme.
www.frenchcirclebh.org.uk
St Leonards Church Hall, Glebe Villas, Hove, BN3 5SN
- Cercle Francais d'Eastbourne
Le Cercle offers the opportunity of speaking French in a friendly setting and of learning more about France and its culture.
www.cf-eastbourne.com
01323 504262
- Dansez Français
Brighton's new French Dance club - social dances to live music every month, occasionally taught in French!
<http://www.btinternet.com/~mulreany/Dansezfrançais.html>
01273 501304
- French and Euro Music and Dance Club
To promote French (and European) music and dance.
www.boamusic.fsnet.co.uk
01273 388816
- Le Club Francais (LCF)
Fun language club for children
www.lcfclubs.com
12 Hedge End Business Centre Botley Road, Hedge End, SO30 2AU
01489 786473

- [Mid-Sussex Franco-British Society](#)
Informal group who hold regular meetings where the main language is French and enjoy a variety of French speaking guests on topics relating to France and French Culture.
Meetings held at: Clair Hall Perrymount Road, Haywards Heath, RH16 3DN

[Asian](#)

- [Chinese Centre in the Community Base \(CEDP\)](#)
A registered charity (No. 1118550) run by the Chinese Educational Development Project in the UK.
www.cedp.org.uk
31 Davigdor Road, Hove, BN3 1QB
Tel: 0044-(0)844 8007292 or 0044 - (0) 1273 - 731210
- [Chinese Educational Development Project](#)
A registered charity (no. 1118550) offers free educational advice and counselling services for the Chinese population of Brighton & Hove.
www.cedp.org.uk
Community Base 113 Queens Road, Brighton, BN1 3XG
01273 234800
- [Sussex Japan Society](#)
<http://www.simpson.uk.com/sjs/>

[Congolese](#)

- [Congolese Community in Sussex](#)
It has been set up to provide support, counselling, advice, social and cultural events to many Congolese people living in Sussex.
www.congolesecommunityinsussex.org.uk

[English](#)

- [Royal Society of St George: Cinque Ports Branch](#)
Appreciation of England and its history.
Buckland House Blenheim Road Littlestone, New Romney, TN28 8RS
01797366771

[Ethnic Minority Groups](#)

- [Ash Patel](#)
www.gujaraticulturalsociety.co.uk
11 Withdean Court London Road, Brighton, BN1 6RN
01273 330886
- [Black & Minority Ethnic Project, Hastings \(BME\)](#)
Supporting partnership working to ensure relevant action plans are co-ordinated to address the needs of BME communities. Promote race equality and community cohesion in relation to strategic planning, neighbourhood renewal and public service delivery.
www.hastingsbme.org.uk
BME Project Hastings Voluntary Action 31A Priory Street, Hastings, TN34 1EA
01424 204683
- [Black and Minority Ethnic Community Partnership \(BMECP\)](#)
Infrastructure organisation working with black and minority groups organisations, individuals and their families.
www.bmeccp.org.uk
Wayland House 61 Western Road, Hove, BN3 1JD
0300 303 1171
- [Brighton & Hove Black History](#)
www.black-history.org.uk
- [Brighton & Hove Chinese Society](#)
B & H Chinese Society is a non-profit organisation that aims to serve the local Chinese community. Providing organised events promoting the Chinese culture.
Mitre House 149 Western Road, Brighton, BN1 2DD
01273 721723

- Careers Europe's Migrant Communities Information Resource
EISODOS contains information for refugees, asylum seekers, EU Migrants and for those working with these groups in an advisory capacity.
www.careerseurope.co.uk
72 - 74 Godwin Street, Bradford, BD1 3PT
01274 829600
- Collage
Mixed Parentage and Ethnic Minority multicultural family group
www.collage-newhaven.co.uk
Denton Social Hall, Denton Road, Newhaven, Denton
- Eastbourne Cultural Communities Network (ECCN)
Supporting and working with local black, ethnic and small minority groups.
www.eccn.org.uk
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- English in the Community
English in the Community (EITC) is an independent UK Charity founded by three immigrant English language teachers who met on a teacher training course providing free language lessons.
<http://englishinthecommunity.org.uk/>
Contact: 07971 908141 or 07531 402641
- Ethnic Minorities Representatives Council (EMRC)
Helps people who are unable to express themselves in English or understand the English language and represents minorities
8 Caburn Road, Brighton, BN3 6FF
01273 722438
- Ethnic Minorities Visibility Initiative (EMVI)
Advice and guidance on education, training and access to employment to BME.
368 Old Shoreham Road Hove, Hove, BN3 7HA
01273 701733
- Hastings Bengali Forum
Aims to promote cultural, religious and social welfare of the Bengali community living in Hastings, St Leonards and Rother District.
- HASTINGS KURDISH WELFARE ASSOCIATION (HKWA)
We are a local organization committed to helping Kurdish refugees, asylum seekers and migrants in the East Sussex area. Our aim is to assist people to integrate into the local community.
<http://rojbas.webs.com/>
49 Cambridge Gardens, Hastings, TN34 1EN
01424-427911
- LINKS Project (Support for Asylum Seekers and Refugees)
Weekly Wednesday drop-in session at Concordia Hall in St Leonards
Concordia Hall Church Road, St Leonards, TN37 6EF
01424 461 225
- Migrant Help
Supporting asylum seekers and refugees living in Sussex through one stop service.
www.migranthepline.org.uk
17a Silchester Mews, St Leonards on Sea, TN38 0JB
01424 461225
- Poets Corner Multicultural Group
Aims to celebrate the diversity of cultures of those who live and work in the local community, challenging discrimination creatively through education and social events.
Asian Look 151 Portland Road, Hove, BN3 5QJ
01273 732773
- Refugee Legal Centre Hastings (Regional branch of national service)
Opening Hours: Monday-Friday, 10am - 4pm
Silchester Mews, 17a Silchester Road, St Leonards On Sea, TN38 0JB
01424 432 679
- Romany and Traveller Family History Society (RTFHS)
A group of family historians with a special interest in their British Gypsy and Traveller roots.
<http://www.rtfhs.org.uk/>
- Siddartha Nepali Society
Unite all Nepalese living in the area and celebrate cultural activities, New Year and other festive Hindu occasions.

- Sompriti
To work towards the empowerment of black and minority ethnic people in Lewes district, Eastbourne and Wealden district.
66 High Street, Lewes, BN7 1XG
01273 477550
- Sudanese Coptic Association (SCA)
Support and represent the Sudanese Coptic community.
www.sudaneseoptic.com
P.O. Box 2704, Brighton, BN1 2QW
01273 707178 or 0777 56 30 143
- Sussex Interpreting Services (SIS)
www.sussexinterpreting.org.uk
Community Base 113 Queens Road, Brighton, BN1 3XG
01273 702005

Hindu

- Hindu Elder's Group (HEG)
HEG provides support for the elderly Hindu Community in Brighton and Hove.
Old Viaduct Court Hartington Road, Brighton, BN2 3NB

International and Community Relations

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01273 721723
- Brighton & Hove City Council Equalities Forum
www.brighton-hove.gov.uk
Kings House Grand Avenue, Hove, BN3 2LS
01273 291052
- Brighton and Hove Amnesty International
Promoting general awareness of human rights and opposing specific abuses of human rights.
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www.congolesecommunityinsussex.org.uk
- Djambass Arts
West African Community Drumming workshops, performances and drumming holidays in the Gambia. Also sales and service of African drums. NEW: We now also run mixed-level workshops run by Jazz Camara, from the Gambia, on Friday evenings.
www.djambass-music.co.uk
23 Foundry Street, Brighton, BN1 4AT
01273 607238
- East Sussex LINK
The County LINK is a network of local people, organisations and groups that want to make Health & Social Care services better.
<http://www.thecountylink.net>
East Sussex LINK 1 Faraday Close, Eastbourne, BN22 9BH
01323 514510
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- [Emmaus Brighton and Hove](#)
Emmaus provides 40 men & women, many formerly homeless, with a bed and work, while they rebuild their lives.
www.emmausbrighton.co.uk
Drove Road Portslade, Brighton, BN41 2PA
01273 426470 or 426480 (furniture collection)
- [Environmental Protection UK](#)
Environmental Protection UK is one of the UK's oldest and most influential Environmental Protection charities.
www.environmental-protection.org.uk
44 Grand Parade, Brighton, BN2 9QA
01273 878770
- [Esperanto Association of Britain \(EAB\)](#)
The neutral international bridge language for communication, initiated in 1887, now spread to over 100 countries; yearly world congress, with national congress throughout the world.
www.esperanto-gb.org
Esperanto Asocio de Britio, Esperanto House, Wedgwood Memorial College, Station Road, Barlaston Stoke on Trent, ST12 9DE
0845 2301887
- [Ethnic Minorities Representatives Council \(EMRC\)](#)
Helps people who are unable to express themselves in English or understand the English language and represents minorities
8 Caburn Road, Brighton, BN3 6FF
01273 722438
- [European Movement, Eastbourne Branch](#)
Flat 5 Chester Court Chesterfield Rd, Eastbourne, BN20 7NT
01323 412068
- [European Movement, Sussex branch](#)
The European Movement Sussex branch is one of ten in the south-east, and covers both East and West Sussex.
www.sussexineurope.org
- [Fiankoma Project](#)
Works in Brighton and Ghana with video and other media to increase people's understanding of development issues.
www.fiankoma.org
16 Brigden Street, Brighton, BN1 6XG
01273 508045
- [Greek Orthodox Church of St Panteleimon & St Theodore](#)
30 Cavendish Place, Eastbourne, BN21 3JA
- [Hastings and Schwerte Friendship Association](#)
- [Hastings Intercultural Organisation \(HIO\)](#)
C/O Mark Horan HBC Renaissance House The Old Christchurch School London Road, St Leonards on Sea, TN37 6AN
01424 451370
- [Home-Start South Downs](#)
Support for families with at least one child under 5 years of age.
www.homestart.org.uk
30a High Street, Newhaven, BN9 9PD
01273 612025
- [Impact Initiatives](#)
Provides services across Sussex to support people's health, independence and learning.
www.impact-initiatives.org.uk
Brighthelm North Road, Brighton, BN1 1YD
01273 821914
- [Inter Diocesan West Africa Link \(IDWAL\)](#)
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Diocesan Church House 211 New Church Road, Hove, BN3 4ED
01273 421021/425694
- [Kids Like Me Ltd](#)
Multicultural toys, books and educational resources for children aged 0 -12.
www.kidslikeme.co.uk
01323 649 924

- Lawrence Barham Memorial Trust (LBMT)
Raises funds to support Anglican Church work in East Africa.
www.peacequesthouse.org
Rosewood Canadia Road, Battle, TN33 0LR
- Lewes Links
To sustain links and promote better understanding of central and eastern Europe.
<http://www.leweslinks.org/>
- Pestalozzi Education Centre (PEC)
Pestalozzi Education Centre is concerned with the educational needs of the Pestalozzi students as well as running the regional Development Education Centre for East Sussex.
www.pestalozzi.org.uk
Pestalozzi International Village Ladybird Lane, Sedlescombe, TN33 0UF
01424 870444
- Redzebra
www.redzebra.uk.com
PO Box 3112, Brighton, BN2 1UB
01273 881578
- Sussex Hungarian Society
A local focus for Hungarians who are now living in Sussex and for English people with an interest in Hungary.
www.sussexhungariansociety.org
Whitfeld, Whitfeld Lane, Hamsey, Lewes, BN8 5TD
- United Nations Association Brighton Hove and District
Campaigning for a strong, credible and effective United Nations.
www.una-uk.org
- United Nations Association Wealden Branch (UNA)
Supporting international understanding and peace.
Old Garden, Maresfield Park, Uckfield, TN22 3ER
01825 712553
- United Nations Association, Eastbourne Branch
Exists to inform the public of the work and ideals of the United Nations Organisation and it's world-wide agencies.
10 Laleham Close, Eastbourne, BN21 2LQ
01323 720896
- United Nations Association: Bexhill & Hastings Branch (UNA-UK)
Local branch of national, all-party, membership organisation campaigning, educating and fundraising to help turn the ideals of the UN into a reality.
Garden Room or Parkhurst Hall Sackville Road Methodist Church, Bexhill on Sea
- Word Map Translations Ltd
Translation services in most languages.
www.wordmaptranslations.com
01273 206086
- World In Need International Ltd (WIN)
Working with national organisations to help change attitudes through aid and education using child sponsorships, trading and micro-finances.
www.worldinneed.co.uk
PO Box 109, Crowborough TN6 2ZN
01892 669834

Jewish

- Brighton and Hove Progressive Synagogue
A thriving congregation of nearly 400 Jewish people living in Sussex and interested in pursuing their Judaism in a modern and thoughtful way.
www.brightonandhoveprosynagogue.org.uk
6 Lansdowne Road, Hove, BN3 1FF
01273 737223
- Brighton and Hove Reform Synagogue (BHRS)
Reform Synagogue, Religious, Social, Educational and Cultural.
www.bh-rs.org
Palmeira Avenue, Hove, BN3 3GE
01273 735343
- Hastings and District Jewish Society (HDJS)
To provide religious and social contact for Jewish people and Friends resident in Hastings and Bexhill

HDJS PO BOX 74, Bexhill-on-Sea, TN39 4ZZ
07743 992295

- Lubavitch Brighton
A local organisation, providing Jewish educational and social programmes for all Jewish people in the city of Brighton & Hove.
www.LubavitchBrighton.com
15 The Upper Drive, Hove, BN3 6GR
01273 321 919
- Sussex Jewish News (SJN)
A monthly subscriber publication of Jewish interest covering interfaith, communal, media, culture and items of general interest for all the Community whatever their affiliation.
www.sussexjewishnews.com
PO Box 2178, Hove, BN3 3SZ
07906 955404
- Sussex Jewish Representative Council
PO Box 2178, Hove, BN3 3SZ
01273 206456

Muslim/Islam

- Brighton Islamic Mission
To promote better understanding between different faith traditions and work for inter-religion activities for seeking common good
8 Caburn Road, Hove, BN3 6EF
01273 722438
- Islamic Centre and Mosque
brightonmosque.com
150 Dyke Road, Brighton, BN1 5PA
01273 505247
- Islamic Information Centre (IIC)
Clarifying the myths and misunderstanding about Islam.
The Surgery 38 Little Ridge Ave, St Leonards on Sea, TN37 7LS
01424 755355
- Jameah Islamiyah
Providing religious and secular education.
www.islamicjameah.org.uk
- Sussex Muslim Society Trust (SMS)
A registered charity for Sussex Muslims in order to cater for their religious, cultural educational and social activities, an umbrella organisation supporting many different cultures and provides advice to those who do not understand the system
imamsajid.com
Iman Dr Abduljalil Sajid 8 Caburn Road Hove, Hove, BN3 6EF
01273 722438
- Sussex Muslim Society Trust (SMS)
Providing accurate information about Islam and Muslims to all, serving and creating a positive image of Islam through educational, cultural, social programmes and providing speakers to schools, hospital and prison visits etc
imamsajid.com
8 Caburn Road, Hove, BN3 6EF
01273 722438

Polish

- Polish Association (Hastings & Surrounding areas)
Poles In Hastings, formally Polish Association In Hastings and Surrounding Areas, is a group of local Poles which was created in March 2008. The group was organised In order to strengthen links within the community of Polish nationals.
www.pinh.co.uk
07917 795 512

Racial Equality

- Friends, Families and Travellers
Working towards a more equitable society where everyone has the right to travel and to stop without constant fear of persecution because of their lifestyle.
www.gypsy-traveller.org
Community Base 113 Queens Road, Brighton, BN1 3XG
01273 234777

Russian

- Hastings Russian Community
We meet twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays 16.00 - 17.30
C/O St Nicholas Centre 66 London Road, Hastings, TN37 6AS
01424 438121
- Sussex Russian Society
The society meets monthly (October to June) and is open to all interested in Russian topics, with or without knowledge of the language.
www.sussexineurope.org/societies/sussex_russian.htm
2 West Court Place, Worthing, BN14 7DH
01903 215910

Scottish

- Bexhill and District Scottish Society
Open to all interested in Scottish traditions and Scottish country dancing.
- Mid Sussex Caledonian Society (MSCS)
Society of people interested in Scottish traditions and culture who meet together at various events throughout the year.
www.midsussexcaledoniansociety.org.uk
Waterside, 17a Blunts Wood Road, Haywards Heath, RH16 1ND
01444 453554

Voluntary Services Overseas

- Voluntary Service Overseas: Wealden Local Group (VSO)
Works through volunteers to fight global poverty and disadvantage by bringing people together to share skills and learning to build a fairer world
www.vso.org.uk
317 Putney bridge Road, London, SW15 2PN
020 8780 7200

Welsh

- Hastings Welsh Society
Provides friendship for people in East Sussex who are Welsh by birth or relationship or have an interest in Wales and its traditions.
91 Barley Lane, Hastings, TN35 5NT
01424 441208