

# Equality Hub Network Newsletter

## November 2017

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Hi all

Monday 20 November is [Trans Day of Remembrance](#) (TDOR). TDOR is held every year to mourn those lost to transphobic hatred and violence. A vigil will be held in Hallam Square from 5.30-7pm, after the vigil SAYiT will host a Celebration and Commemoration Event. Both events are open to everyone, and allies are very much welcome.

[World AIDS Day](#) is Friday 1 December. A candlelit vigil will take place from 5:15-7pm at Sheffield Winter Gardens. The vigil is an open event to remember those who have been lost to HIV and AIDS, and to show support for those living with and affected by HIV.

Keep reading for more news from around the Equality Hub Network.

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If you have news or information to share, we'd love to hear from you! Submission form and deadlines are at [www.sheffield.gov.uk/equalityhub](http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/equalityhub). If you are organising an event please check that the venue and facilities are accessible so that all communities of interest can attend.

**The submission deadline for the December edition is Friday 24 November.**

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## Equality Hub Network meetings and events

### Upcoming Hub meetings

- Disability Hub: Wednesday 6 December 2017, 1.30pm to 4pm, [The Circle](#), Rockingham Lane
- Women's Hub: Monday 11 December 2017, 5.30pm to 7.30pm, [The Circle](#), Rockingham Lane
- LGBT+ Hub: Thursday 11 January 2018, 5.30pm to 7.30pm, Town Hall

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

### Sheffield's Domestic and Sexual Abuse Strategy workshop – all Hubs

Wednesday 15 November 2017, 5.30pm to 7pm  
Town Hall, Reception Room A, Pinstone Street

Alison Higgins, Sheffield City Council's Strategic Commissioning Manager for Domestic and Sexual Abuse, will be presenting the draft Domestic and Sexual Abuse Strategy. Anyone with an interest in domestic and sexual abuse and equality issues is invited and encouraged to share their views. To book your place or for further info contact Hardeep at [Hardeep.Pabla@faithstar.org](mailto:Hardeep.Pabla@faithstar.org), 0114 3503314.

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## Consultations

### Sheffield City Council's Citizen Space

Citizen Space is Sheffield City Council's consultation hub. You can take part in consultations that interest you, and [sign up for alerts](#) on a wide range of topics, including ones for the Equality Hub Network. Visit <https://sheffield.citizenspace.com>.

There are lots of other ways to have your say on proposals and influence decisions, including attending [Council meetings](#).

## **Draft Transport Accessibility Action Plan – Department for Transport / Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee**

Closes Wednesday 15 November 2017, 11.45pm

The Department for Transport is seeking feedback on a draft accessibility action plan which sets out their proposals to improve the travel experience for people with disabilities. The action plan covers a range of transport modes including:

- Aviation
- Rail
- Buses
- Taxis

For more information about the proposals and how to feed in your views, visit [www.gov.uk/government/consultations/draft-transport-accessibility-action-plan](http://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/draft-transport-accessibility-action-plan).

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## **Ward Priorities – Sheffield City Council**

Closes Wednesday 14 February 2018

We would like to know what people living in Sheffield feel should be the priorities for their ward councillors. Each ward in the city has 3 councillors who work to improve things for local people and represent them when decisions are made in the Town Hall.

If your councillors are better informed about the things that are important to you then they can focus their attention on specific issues in your neighbourhood. The information you provide in this short questionnaire will help them identify the service providers, community organisations and local residents they need to work with. Visit <https://sheffield.citizenspace.com/communities-business-strategy/wardpriorities> for more info and to give your views by Wednesday 14 February 2018, or contact Matthew Rush on [matthew.rush@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:matthew.rush@sheffield.gov.uk), 0114 2735708.

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## **Other events**

### **Parent and Carers of LGBT+ Young People – SAYiT**

Thursday 2 November 2017, 6pm to 7.30pm  
Scotia Works, Leadmill Road, S1 4SE

SAYiT is a long standing Sheffield-based organisation which aims to transform the lives of young LGBT+ people through support, empowerment and training. Increasingly parents and carers are telling us that they too need space to be able to consider how best to support their young people - come along to this free event. Refreshments are available from 5.45pm. For further information contact Janice Robinson on 0114 2412728 or email [info@sayit.org.uk](mailto:info@sayit.org.uk)

Website: [www.sayit.org.uk](http://www.sayit.org.uk)

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### **World AIDS Day Schools Briefing Session – SAYiT**

Tuesday 7 November 2017, 4pm to 5.30pm  
Scotia Works, Leadmill Road, S1 4SE

This is a free event aimed at schools and youth organisations - HIV and AIDs – where are we now? Update - How to deliver teaching sessions - How to deliver a 15-minute Assembly - Q and A - Free pack of educational materials .Refreshments are available from 3.45pm. To book a place please contact Janice Robinson on 0114 2412728 or email [info@sayit.org.uk](mailto:info@sayit.org.uk) . Alternatively you can book a place via Eventbrite [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sex-ed-forum-world-aids-day-briefing-and-free-session-pack-tickets-38382972504?aff=es2](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sex-ed-forum-world-aids-day-briefing-and-free-session-pack-tickets-38382972504?aff=es2)

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### **Approaches to supporting LGBT young people – University of Sheffield**

Tuesday 7 November 2017, 4pm to 7.30pm  
Crucible Theatre, 55 Norfolk Street, S1 1DA

This seminar and discussion is part of the ESRC Festival of Social Science and will explore what we understand about LGBT young people and the kinds of support they might need, drawing on a number of social science research projects that have consulted both young people and practitioners. The event is free but please book via <https://younglgbtpeople.eventbrite.com>. For more info contact Eleanor Formby: [e.formby@shu.ac.uk](mailto:e.formby@shu.ac.uk), 0114 225 6065

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### **Marginalised Women and Women’s Rights When Austerity Bites – Sheffield Feminist Network**

Tuesday 7 November 2017, 7.15 - 9pm  
Sheffield Quaker Meeting House 10 St James Street, S1 2EW

The facilitator for this event is Zlakia Ahmed MBE, Chief Executive of Apna Haq, Rotherham. Zlakia will describe the impact of the austerity agenda on services and access to justice and will consider how the voices of these women are heard and respected. This is a women’s meeting and trans inclusive. All women welcome. Contributions £2 / Free concessions. For more information please email: [sheffieldfeministnetwork@gmail.com](mailto:sheffieldfeministnetwork@gmail.com)

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### **Community Dialogue on Notion of Honour – Sheffield Hallam University**

Thursday 9 November 2017, 10am to 1pm  
Pakistani Muslim Centre, Woodbourne Road, S9 3LQ

We invite you to help break the silence and have an open dialogue with diverse communities, charities, health and social care professionals and researchers on the concept of honour and implications. We will present research findings followed by a discussion to develop our understanding of the notion of honour and the nature, elements and scale of violence committed in the name of honour locally and globally. For further information phone 07799233994 or mail Mubarak Ismail at [m.m.ismail@shu.ac.uk](mailto:m.m.ismail@shu.ac.uk) or Sadiq Bhanbhro at [s.bhanbhro@shu.ac.uk](mailto:s.bhanbhro@shu.ac.uk) .

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### **LGBT Over 30s Singles Night – LGBT Sheffield**

Thursday 9 November 2017, 6.30pm to 9pm  
Virgin Money Lounge, 66 Fargate, S1 2HE

This event is designed to reach out to the older LGBT community in Sheffield .There will be live music, DJ and quizzes. You're never too old to have fun. Come along and meet some nice people and it's "FREE". For further information contact Kathryn Housley on 07816609175, e mail [chair@lgbtsheffield.co.uk](mailto:chair@lgbtsheffield.co.uk) or visit website [www.lgbtsheffield.co.uk](http://www.lgbtsheffield.co.uk) .

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### **Islamophobia 2017: Challenges for us all – Looking back, Looking ahead – University of Leeds**

Thursday 9 November 2017, 6pm to 9pm  
The Carraigeworks, 3 Millennium Square, Leeds LS2 3AD

Public lecture marking the 20th anniversary of the Runnymede Trust's influential report on Islamophobia –'Islamophobia: A Challenge for us all' (1997). The session will be introduced and chaired by Baroness Sayeeda Warsi, followed by a lecture by Robin Richardson, editor of the 1997 report, with responses from Abdoolkarim Vakil. Find more info at <https://cik.leeds.ac.uk/events/islamophobia-2017-challenges-for-us-all-looking-back-looking-ahead>. Attendance is free of charge, but space is limited and prior booking is therefore essential. Book your place via [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/islamophobia-2017-leeds-tickets-36929221295](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/islamophobia-2017-leeds-tickets-36929221295).

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### **Sex Worker's Opera Workshop – Together Women Project**

Friday 10 November 2017, 1pm to 3pm  
Together Women Project, 106 Arundel Lane, S1 4RF

To accompany the performance of the Sex Worker's Opera at Theatre Delicatessen, the cast and crew of the show will be running a workshop. Sex Worker's Opera is a community project which aims to amplify the voices of sex workers, who are often excluded from the discourse around their work, both in the media and within the feminist movement. The company always includes at least 50% sex workers. This interactive workshop will explore attitudes to sex work, the stories sent in to us by workers from 17 countries, and different legal models relating to sex work, and how they impact workers themselves. There will be space for discussion and questions. Although we encourage people to come and see the show, it is not necessary in order to attend the workshop. Please note the workshop is free to attend but places are limited. Book your place at [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sex-workers-opera-workshop-tickets-38379908339](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sex-workers-opera-workshop-tickets-38379908339). For more details or to book tickets for the show, go to [www.sexworkersopera.com](http://www.sexworkersopera.com).

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### **ESRC Youth Unemployment Debate - Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)**

Friday 10 November 2017, 2-4.30pm  
St Mary's Church Bramall Lane Sheffield S2 4QZ

This event will create an opportunity to debate the ways that young people, businesses, local authorities, universities and third sector organisations can work together to confront the very timely and important issue of youth unemployment. For more information please contact Chris Devany on 07538515811 or email [christopher.devany@gmail.com](mailto:christopher.devany@gmail.com). Website and booking: <https://tinyurl.com/y973wequ>

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## **Parliament Week: Discover Parliament – SheFest**

Thursday 16 November 2017, 5.30pm to 7.30pm  
The Printhouse, 21-23 North Church Street, S1 2DH

As part of Parliament Week, in partnership with the Houses of Parliament Outreach Team, SheFest is proud to present an opportunity to discover UK Parliament. The women only workshop will include an introduction to Parliament and its work, plus practical advice and tips on taking action, with a special focus on how women can get more involved and get their voices heard. This free event also includes pizza! So come along to meet Lynn, grab a slice (or two) of pizza and get clued up on your Parliament and how to get involved. Open to all self-identified women (18+). Book your free ticket via [www.shefestsheffield.eventbrite.com](http://www.shefestsheffield.eventbrite.com). Got questions or need support to access the event, just email us at [shefestsheffield@gmail.com](mailto:shefestsheffield@gmail.com) and we'd be happy to help. [www.shefest.wordpress.com](http://www.shefest.wordpress.com)

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## **Sheffield Trans Day of Remembrance 2017 – Sheffield Hallam LGBT+ Rep / SAYiT / T-Boys**

Monday 20 November 2017, 5.30pm to 8pm  
Hallam Square, Howard Street, S1 2PR

Transgender Day of Remembrance is held every year in November to mourn those lost to transphobic hatred and violence. These are deaths that are largely ignored by mainstream society, but send shockwaves through the trans community. TDOR gives us a day to grieve, but also to celebrate the lives that have been tragically cut short by hate crimes. Join us in Hallam Square from 5.30pm for a vigil to remember the members of our worldwide community who are no longer with us. After the vigil SAYiT will be hosting a Celebration and Commemoration Event at Scotia Works from 7-8pm. There will be refreshments and some empowering positive activities to bring the community together. Both events are open to everyone, and allies are very much welcome. Further information on <https://www.facebook.com/events/44641927> or contact [tboysyorkshire@gmail.com](mailto:tboysyorkshire@gmail.com).

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## **Introductory Northern Networking Event – Black Fundraisers UK**

Thursday 23 November 2017, 6pm to 8pm  
Showroom Cinema, 15 Paternoster Row, S1 2BX

This Introductory Networking session is an opportunity for the BAME fundraising community to get together, network and share best practice. Come along and meet members of the Black Fundraisers UK committee and see how you can get involved. Share with us what training and events you want to see in Sheffield whilst we provide a great forum for discussion with like-minded individuals. Nibbles and a welcome drink will be provided. For more info and to book, visit [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/introductory-northern-networking-event-with-black-fundraisers-uk-tickets-38140323735#tickets](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/introductory-northern-networking-event-with-black-fundraisers-uk-tickets-38140323735#tickets).

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## **HIV Education – SAYiT**

Friday 24 November 2017, 9am to 1pm  
Scotia Works, Leadmill Road, S1 4SE

Course Objectives are to provide; Basic information about HIV and AIDS ; Teaching materials for a diversity of ages and groups ; Tackling HIV stigma in schools and youth settings . £25 Sheffield

participants £50 outside Sheffield participants. For further information contact Janice Robinson on 0114 2412728 or email [info@sayit.org.uk](mailto:info@sayit.org.uk)

Website: [www.sayit.org.uk](http://www.sayit.org.uk)

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## **Women in the Asylum System – DEWA Project & Why Refugee Women**

Tuesday 28 November 2017, 9.30am to 1pm

The Circle, 33 Rockingham Lane, S1 4FW

Join us for the Yorkshire and Humber regional conference in Sheffield, aimed at addressing the protection gap that women and girls who have fled the world's most brutal wars and repressive countries fall through in the UK asylum system. Many have been raped or have experienced domestic violence, but are not given the basic protections that we take for granted when it comes to other women in this situation. The Protection Gap Campaign says that no woman seeking asylum should have to tell her story; in front of her children; to a male interviewer or interpreter if she is not comfortable with this; to someone who doesn't understand how trauma affects memory; without being offered counselling if her story is traumatic; without information about her rights as a woman within the asylum system. Refugee women will be joined by mental health practitioners, solicitors, politicians, activists and supporters to discuss a progressive way forward in the region. For more information contact Tchiyiwe Chihana on 07475262294, email

[tchiyiwe.chihana@dewaproject.org](mailto:tchiyiwe.chihana@dewaproject.org) or visit website [www.bitly.com/protectiongap](http://www.bitly.com/protectiongap)

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## **Inclusive SRE Education – SAYiT**

Wednesday 29 November 2017, 9am to 5pm

Scotia Works, Leadmill Road, S1 4SE

Course Objectives: - Sex and Relationships Education – the current context - Addressing the issues facing young people - The context within which young LGBT+ people live their lives - Teenage (sexual and brain) development - Promoting the self-esteem, resilience and well-being of young people - Teaching methods and practical activities to use with young people Cost: £55 Sheffield participants £120 outside Sheffield Another date for this course is available and other courses can be found on our website under events. For further information contact Janice Robinson on 0114 2412728 or email [info@sayit.org.uk](mailto:info@sayit.org.uk)

Website: [www.sayit.org.uk](http://www.sayit.org.uk)

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## **World Aids Day Vigil - SAYiT**

Friday 1 December 2017, 5:15 to 7pm

Sheffield Winter Garden, 90 Surrey Street, S1 2HH

SAYiT (The Sheena Amos Youth Trust) will be hosting this year's World Aids Day Vigil in collaboration with Sheffield City Council. This is an open event commemorating World Aids Day and in remembrance of those who have lost their lives due to HIV/Aids, to show our support for those living with and affected by HIV and to challenge stigma. Please join us for keynote speeches and light a candle in remembrance. For further information or any enquiries please email: [info@sayit.org.uk](mailto:info@sayit.org.uk) or telephone 0114 241 2728

Website: [www.sayit.org.uk](http://www.sayit.org.uk)

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### **Chair and Trustee Vacancies – Sheffield Hospitals Charity**

Sheffield Hospitals Charity is seeking to appoint a Chair designate and 2 x Trustees. Do you want to make a real difference to the lives of patients in Sheffield and across our region? Sheffield Hospitals Charity helps patients being treated for almost every condition across all of the Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust sites. We work with our NHS partners to provide an outstanding healthcare experience, with the best possible outcome, for our patients. We improve the care and treatment of thousands of patients by investing over £2 million a year in equipment, research, people, patient support services and the transformation of our hospital environments. To help us achieve more, we are seeking to appoint a Chair designate to succeed our present Chair, Phil Taylor. We are also seeking to appoint 2 Trustees who may be a well networked business leader in Sheffield and someone who has a high level of fundraising, marketing and communications skills and experience. The roles are unpaid, but will be a rewarding and fulfilling experience. We want our Board to be as diverse as the communities we serve and therefore particularly welcome applications from the local Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities, and disabled people. Informal enquiries can be directed to Phil Taylor, Chair on 07771 843 916 or David Reynolds, Executive Director on 0114 2266722 or 07772 817265 or

[david.reynolds@shct.nhs.uk](mailto:david.reynolds@shct.nhs.uk)

Closing date for applications is 9am Monday 13th November 2017. Interviews on 24th November 2017. For an application pack for each role please visit

[www.sheffieldhospitalscharity.org.uk/vacancies](http://www.sheffieldhospitalscharity.org.uk/vacancies) .

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### **DRILL Research Project Employer Survey – Disability Sheffield**

Sheffield Employers, we need you! Take our quick online survey and tell us how employing disabled people can be made easier for you. We are a small team working on the 'Getting On, Keeping On' research project at Disability Sheffield. We have been asked to find out the issues employers have recruiting and retaining disabled people. In the past the focus has been on the issues disabled people faced – this time we want to look at these issues from an employer's perspective. This is your chance to tell us the difficulties you have and how things could be improved. The information gathered from our survey could help make your working life easier and your workforce more diverse. You can really help make a difference by filling in our online survey at [www.sites.google.com/view/gokosheffield/online-survey?authuser=0](http://www.sites.google.com/view/gokosheffield/online-survey?authuser=0) . It will only take a few minutes of your time and it is completely anonymous. Thank you.

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### **How does the NHS work? An Alternative Guide – The Kings Fund**

This short film gives a whistle-stop tour of how the NHS works in 2017 and how it is changing.

<https://www.kingsfund.org.uk/audio-video/how-does-nhs-in-england-work>

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### **Cohesion Advisor Volunteers - Cohesion Sheffield**

Are you someone who sees the creative potential of diversity and the importance of taking action to make Sheffield a cohesive city? We are seeking people who can tread softly while engaging people to get involved in cohesion building activities. Any skills and experience that might relate to and be useful in this area would be welcome.

To find out more about this opportunity please visit

<https://www.vconnectsystem.org.uk/VMS2/VolunteerOpportunities/DetailsForSearch/8131> or contact Lottie Carter at Cohesion Sheffield on 0114 253 6636.

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## **SYFAB Training Programme 2017-2018**

The South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau (SYFAB) training programme for 2017-2018 is now available. The programme is designed to help you gain the knowledge, skills and confidence to fulfil your fundraising aspirations. There are various fundraising themes covering beginner to master class levels. A selection of our training sessions, which focus on different types of funding, will be subsidised by Sheffield City Council for voluntary and community groups whose work benefits Sheffield residents. Sessions that are eligible for this subsidy will be highlighted under the 'Cost' section on the booking page. Eligible groups can access two subsidised places per session however places are limited and bookings are only confirmed once payment has been received. For more information and to book a place on any of the sessions, please visit the SYFAB Training and Events page on our website [www.syfab.org.uk](http://www.syfab.org.uk), or contact [enquiries@syfab.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@syfab.org.uk), 0114 2615141.

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## **Lesbian Asylum Support Sheffield (LASS)**

LASS is a new support group for lesbian, bi, trans, non-binary, + queer asylum seekers and refugees in Sheffield. They meet on the first Thursday of every month from 6pm to 8pm at Together Women Project. For enquiries or those needing support, help or advice, contact [lassheffield@outlook.com](mailto:lassheffield@outlook.com), 07522 956284. More info at [www.facebook.com/LASSheffield](http://www.facebook.com/LASSheffield) and [https://twitter.com/las\\_sheffield](https://twitter.com/las_sheffield).

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## **Slate (artists development programme) – Eclipse Theatre**

Slate is a development programme aimed at artists of colour in Sheffield. The programme is striving to make a difference by supporting artists in bespoke and relevant ways to support their future career progression. This includes training, development, commissions, residencies, retreats and production space. We are looking for artists from African, Caribbean, East Asian, South Asian, Middle Eastern and mixed communities. The project is run by Sheffield-based Eclipse Theatre and a consortium of national partners. Bobby Tiwana is the Enabler working in Sheffield with a remit for South Yorkshire. If you are an artist and would like to find out more please contact him on [bobby@eclipsetheatre.org.uk](mailto:bobby@eclipsetheatre.org.uk). <https://eclipsetheatre.org.uk/slate>.

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## **Stop Hate Line available in Sheffield – Stop Hate UK**

The Stop Hate Line is now available in Sheffield. People who want to report hate crime without directly contacting the Police can ring the Stop Hate Line on 0800 138 1625. The line is open 24 hours a day, every day of the year and is also available by text message on 07717989025 and email on [talk@stophateuk.org](mailto:talk@stophateuk.org). People with hearing impairments can report via interactive BSL by accessing the website at [www.stophateuk.org](http://www.stophateuk.org). It is possible to report anonymously.

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## **Diversity Jobs – Sheffield City Council**

Sheffield City Council now advertises their external jobs with Diversity Jobs which is part of The Big I.D.E.A. (Inclusion, Diversity, Equality, Accessibility). This aims to support their Workforce Diversity Strategy ensuring Sheffield City Council's workforce is representative of the local population. Visit [www.diversityjobs.co.uk](http://www.diversityjobs.co.uk) for more information.

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Twitter: [@EqualityHubNwk](https://twitter.com/EqualityHubNwk)