Forum Bulletin - Summer 2022

Here you can find the previous edition of our Regional Refugee Integration Forum Bulletin, as well as links to previous videos from our 'Meet the Forum' series.

Meet the Forum

Each quarter we will introduce you to some of our Forum members. Click on the links below to watch a 2-minute video on Vimeo to 'meet the Forum':

- Zahra Niazi – Forum co-chair, Bradford council
- Rawand Ahmed – Forum co-chair, Migration Yorkshire
- Cathie Railton – Forum member, Department of Health and Social Care
- Gaida Dirar – Forum member, City of Sanctuary

Refugee integration news

Each quarter we'll round up some key news stories and reports related to refugee integration. If you'd like more regular updates on refugee integration and other areas of migration, check out

our weekly policy bulletin.

- The Migration Observatory has released a briefing on the numbers of migrants becoming UK citizens, exploring how having citizenship influences economic and social integration especially amongst those considered to be from ‘disadvantaged groups’. (Source: Migration Observatory)
- The Migration Observatory has also created a briefing presenting localised findings on public attitudes towards labour migrants during the pandemic. (Source: Migration Observatory)
- British Future published a ‘Jubilee Britain’ report in June exploring popular views of what it means to be British and how migration contributes to British society. (Source: British Future)
- This new report explores how businesses can help improve social cohesion. (Source: Belong Network)
- The annual ‘State of HATE 2022’ report outlines far right trends and how the current challenging economic climate is likely to be exploited by far-right activists. Hope Not Hate has also launched a ‘bid builder tool’ to support local authorities access existing funding to help develop community resilience. (Source: Hope Not Hate)
- The Department of Political Science at UCL conducted an online survey to measure differing attitudes in the UK towards refugees from different backgrounds. (Source: The Conversation)
- With the spotlight on women’s football this summer, British Future celebrates the game’s inclusive approach, whilst

recognising there is still work to be done especially regarding under-representation of ethnic minorities. (Source: British Future)

- ‘Dear Bradford’ is a 21-minute documentary featuring Farhaan and his relationship with his hometown, as a person of South Asian Muslim heritage. (Source: The Guardian)
- And finally, a Ukrainian entrepreneur who resettled recently to North Yorkshire has set up a vodka and sunflower oil business! (Source: Yorkshire Post)

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