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The Newsflash is a monthly round up of publications, information, events, funding and jobs relating to asylum seekers, refugees and migrant workers for anyone who wants to keep up to date with the latest developments.

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Asylum Seekers and Refugees - including Syrian resettlement

Home Office announces that White Helmets volunteers and their families to be resettled in the UK

The UK will support White Helmets volunteers and their families, who were evacuated from Syria, under the government's Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme. The White Helmets are a civil defence organisation that has saved over 115,000 lives. Please follow this link to read details of the announcement in full:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/white-helmets-resettlement>

Calais leave for children transferred to the UK from France

The Immigration Minister has announced her intention to create a new form of immigration leave for those transferred to the UK to reunite with family as part of the Calais camp clearance between October 2016 and July 2017 and who do not qualify for leave under existing rules. As part of the clearance of the Calais camp in, the Home Office transferred 769 unaccompanied children to the UK, 549 of whom were to be reunited with family here. All of those children claimed asylum on arrival into the UK. A number of these cases have been assessed and would be refused under existing asylum and immigration rules. It is the Home Office's view that those 549 transferred from Calais to the UK to reunite with family should be able to remain here with their family members. In line with the UK's commitments to ensure that vulnerable children who have been transferred to the UK from the Calais camp will have all they need to be able to start a new life in the UK, children who qualify for Calais Leave will have the right to study, work, access public funds and healthcare and apply for indefinite leave to remain after ten years. With parliamentary assent, this rule change should take effect in the autumn.

Home Office data - immigration statistics, year ending June 2018

This data release covers quarterly and annual statistics relating to those: coming to the UK; extending their stay (temporarily or permanently); gaining citizenship; applying for asylum; and being detained or removed, as well as immigration for work, study and family reasons. The data shows that asylum applications in the UK from main applicants was 27,044 in the year ending June 2018 (down 1%). This represents a return to levels seen before the European migration crisis in 2015. In the year ending June 2018, the UK issued 14,308 grants of asylum, alternative forms of protection and resettlement, down 12% compared with 16,215 in the previous year. Follow this link to access the data release in full: <https://www.gov.uk/immigration-statistics-year-ending-june-2018/>

UNHCR report – desperate journeys: refugees and migrants arriving in Europe and at Europe's borders

The first seven months of 2018 saw refugees and migrants arriving in Europe at lower levels overall than in the previous two years, with increased arrivals in Spain and Greece but far lower arrivals in Italy. As with 2017, this year saw more efforts by European authorities to reduce irregular migration without sufficiently increasing access to safe and legal pathways for those in need of international protection. In the first half of the year, most refugees and migrants arrived in Europe via Greece where some 22,000 arrivals by land and sea were recorded to the end of June compared to 17,900 in Spain and 16,600 in Italy in the same period. However, by the end of July, Spain had become the primary entry point to Europe with some 27,600 land and sea arrivals compared to 26,000 in Greece and 18,500 in Italy in the same period. Please follow this link to read the report in full:

<http://www.unhcr.org/desperatejourneys/>

Migration Policy Institute brief - Deciding Which Road to Take: Insights into How Migrants and Refugees in Greece Plan Onward Movement

This issue brief explores the results of a survey of more than 500 refugees and other migrants in Greece. Among them, more than 80% had arrived in Greece intending to continue on to other well-known European destinations, such as Germany, Sweden and the UK. This analysis examines whether respondents decided to stick to or change their plans after reaching Greece (either by picking a new onward destination or staying in the country). It also considers the factors and sources of information that inform this decision-making. Please follow this link to access the report: <https://www.migrationpolicy.org/migrants-refugees-greece-onward-movement>

Unicef UK report: education for refugee and asylum seeking children – access and equality in England, Scotland and Wales

In 2017, Unicef UK commissioned research to understand how refugee and asylum-seeking children are currently accessing education in the UK. For children on the move who come to the UK, education is one of the first and most critical services they need access to. This report, produced by Refugee Support Network, provides an up-to-date overview of the scale and impact of the difficulties facing child refugees and asylum-seekers in the UK. It highlights the barriers they face in accessing, remaining and thriving in education, and proposes recommendations for national and local decision-makers and service-providers. Please follow this link to access the report in full: <https://www.unicef.org.uk/access-to-education-refugee-asylum-seeking-children/>

UK refusing asylum to more ex-child slaves despite safety fears – Thomson Reuters Foundation

Between 2015 and 2017, the government denied asylum to 183 people trafficked or enslaved as children - double the total for the previous three years according to Home Office data obtained by a freedom of information enquiry by the Thomson Reuters Foundation. In Britain, 2,118 children suspected to have been trafficked were referred to the government last year, up 66 percent on 2016. While about a third were British, hundreds were trafficked from countries such as Vietnam, Sudan, Eritrea, Afghanistan and Iraq, according to government figures. Please follow this link to read the report in full: <http://news.trust.org/>. Please follow this link to read how this was reported in the Independent: <https://www.independent.co.uk/home-office-child-slavery-victims-asylum-refuse-immigration>

Childcare provision during asylum interviews in the UK – the story of a campaign from Asylum Aid

The UK appears to be the only country in the EU that provides childcare nationally and across several hubs. Asylum Aid has worked for over a decade but now there is a system in place so that no woman is faced with having her children present at her asylum interview and with choosing between telling her whole story and traumatising her children. Asylum Aid has achieved this thanks to cooperation between a vast number of stakeholders and has required focus and persistence. Asylum Aid would like to thank everyone who has brought childcare to UK asylum interviews, whether as stakeholders or as Home Office staff. Please follow this link to read the story in full: [Childcare provision during asylum interviews in the UK – the story of a successful campaign - Asylum Aid](#)

Coram Children's Legal Centre - Migrant Children's Project Newsletters: August 2018 and September 2018

Please follow this link to access the August issue with items on Coram appearing on the national news commenting on children with immigration issues; links to a new factsheet on the right to work and voluntary work for young refugees and migrants; Coram's response to the Government's plan for settled status for EU families and children and how to apply for legal aid for unaccompanied and separated children with immigration matters. [MCP August newsletter- Opportunities to work with the MCP, children in care with immigration issues, EU settlement process and more...](#)

Please follow this link for the September issue with details about Calais leave; the updated factsheet on further education and guidance on free school meals and undocumented children: [MCP September newsletter- Calais leave, further education fact sheet, free school meals and more...](#)

Guardian article reports on victims of domestic abuse increasingly denied right to stay in UK

A freedom of information request by the Guardian has revealed that the refusal rate for applications under the domestic violence rule rose from 12% in 2012 to 30% in 2016, the last year for which full-year data was available. The figures show that 1,325 people were refused out of a total of 5,820 applications made between 2012 and 2016. Please follow this link to read the article: <https://www.theguardian.com/abuse-victims-increasingly-denied-right-to-stay-in-uk>

Council of Europe's online toolkit and survey of language needs for migrants

The Council of Europe has an online toolkit of language support for adult refugees, is free to download and is available in seven languages: <https://www.coe.int/en/web/language-support-for-adult-refugees>. The Council of Europe Education department has launched a survey on language policies and language requirements for migrants, to map the language requirements and knowledge of society needed prior to entry, for residence and for citizenship. Please follow this link to access the survey: https://www.surveymonkey.de/r/COE_languagepolicy_2018 that should be completed by **20 October 2018**.

NHS England newly published guidance on accessing interpreters for clients with language needs

NHS England has just published its updated guidance, please see link below:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/primary-care/primary-care-comm/interpreting/>

The guidance says that patients should be able to access primary care services in a way that ensures their language and communication requirements do not prevent them receiving the same quality of healthcare as others. Interpretation and translation should be provided free at the point of delivery, be of a high quality, accessible and responsive to a patient's linguistic needs³. Patients should not be asked to pay for interpreting services or to provide their own interpreter.

Migration

Migration Advisory Committee (MAC) report on the impact of EEA migration in the UK, plus additional reports

This report focuses on the MAC's assessment of the impact of EEA migration and their recommendations for the UK's post-Brexit work immigration system. The MAC looked at wages and unemployment, productivity, innovation, training, consumer prices, house prices, public finances, allocation of public resources, public services, crime and subjective well-being. They provided an assessment of impacts across all sectors and regions of the UK, and the differing impacts of different types of migration and on different parts of the resident population. While the report concludes that EEA migration has had impacts, many of them are small. This means that EEA migration has had neither the large negative effects claimed by some nor the clear benefits claimed by others. The MAC suggests the ways in which migration policy could be changed to increase the benefits and reduce the costs. Their recommendations focus on what they believe these changes should be. Please follow this link to read the report in full: https://government/Final_EEA_report.PDF

The MAC is also publishing six reports from external researchers, to update and extend the evidence base.

- "Fiscal impact of immigration on the UK" – Estimates the contribution of migrants to the UK's public finances.
- "The Impact of Migration on Productivity and Native-born Workers' Training" – Examines the impact of immigration on labour productivity and the training of UK-born workers.
- "Jumping Someone Else's Train? Does Immigration Affect the Training and Hiring of Native-Born Workers" – Examines the impact of immigration on firms' training of UK-born workers.
- "The Impact of Immigration on the Well-being of UK Natives" – Examines the effects of immigration on the well-being of the UK-born population.
- "Examining the Link between Migration and Productivity" – Estimates the relative productivity of immigrants and UK-born workers in the UK.
- "Migration, Productivity and Firm Performance" - presents evidence on the empirical links between migration and firm productivity in the UK.

Please follow this link to access all the relevant reports: www.gov.uk/publications/migration-advisory-committee-mac-report-eea-migration

Legal aid reinstated for migrant children in care – update from NRPF Network

The Government has [announced](#) a move to reinstate legal aid for unaccompanied and separated migrant children - a decision that has significant implications for local authorities. The restrictions on legal aid for migrant children to asylum claims only have resulted in local authorities having to make decisions on directly funding legal advice in order to ensure that they were meeting their corporate parenting responsibility to access timely and quality legal advice for migrant children in care. Restrictions on legal aid for migrant children in care were put in place in 2013 and resulted in a situation where the immigration claims of migrant children were not funded by legal aid, but needed to be directly funded by local authorities. Since then, there have been incidents where migrant children were not supported by local authorities to access essential immigration advice, including a Local Government Ombudsman [case](#) involving the Royal Borough of Greenwich. Please follow this link for more information: <http://www.nrpfnetwork.org.uk/News/legal-aid-children.aspx>

Office for National Statistics report - Migrant labour force within the UK's construction industry: August 2018

There were 2.2 million UK residents working in the construction industry between 2014 and 2016. Non-UK nationals accounted for 13% (109,000) of workers in the UK's construction of buildings sub-sector: 8% were EU8 and EU2 nationals, 3% non-EU nationals and 2% EU15 and EU Other nationals (excluding the UK). Please follow this link to read the data report in full:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/migrantlabourforcewithintheconstructionindustry/august2018>

Roma and Brexit – an all party parliamentary group report on roundtable event

Over the last decade, people from Roma communities have settled in the UK as part of the movement of European nationals across the enlarged European Union. Roma people have come to the UK with a unique set of experiences which have often been influenced by persistent exclusion and marginalisation in their countries of origin. These experiences have often shaped their settlement in this country and the UK's withdrawal from the EU may exacerbate this marginalisation. To consider these issues, a special joint roundtable of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Migration and All-Party Parliamentary Group for Gypsies, Travellers and Roma was held. This event brought together parliamentarians, civil society, public authorities and expert members of the public, including Roma people, to discuss their situation in the UK against the context of Brexit. Please follow this link to access the report: <https://www.gypsy-traveller.org/APPG-Brexit-and-Roma-Report-1.pdf>

NRPF Network factsheet for local councils – helping European Union residents to protect their rights after Brexit

The Government is proposing that after the UK leaves the EU on 29 March 2019, there will be a transition period, ending on 31 December 2020. EU nationals and their family members living in the UK by the end of the transition period will need to have acted before 30 June 2021 and apply for either settled or pre-settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme if they wish to stay here. EU nationals and family members who arrive after 29 March 2019 and people who have already obtained a permanent residence document will also need to apply. The Government has indicated that anyone who fails to apply by the end of June 2021 may have no lawful basis to remain in the UK. Local authorities can play a role in reducing any negative impacts on communities that may arise when people fail to secure their status. It will be necessary to raise awareness of the procedures the Government is proposing amongst EU nationals in communities as well as identifying and assisting vulnerable residents to prepare for this process, including those receiving support from social services. Please follow this link to access the factsheet which gives councils guidance on which vulnerable groups are at risk of not securing status and what to do to help them to apply: <http://www.nrpfnetwork.org.uk/EU-Settlement-Scheme.pdf>

Windrush update from the Home Office

The Home Office has put in place measures to support the Windrush generation who have been affected by a lack of documentation to demonstrate their existing right to be in the UK. The Windrush Taskforce has now helped 2,272 people to get the documentation they need and 1,465 people have been granted citizenship under the scheme. Guidance on the scheme and who is eligible is available from this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/undocumented-commonwealth-citizens-resident-in-the-uk>. The Home Office is working with an independent advisor to put in place a compensation scheme for those Commonwealth citizens who have faced difficulties. The consultation on the design of the compensation scheme will close on 11 October 2018. The Home Secretary has commissioned a lessons learned review into the events leading up to Windrush and what action is needed to prevent anything like this happening again. The call for evidence is open until 19 October 2018. The Home Office has a range of posters, wallet cards and digital assets available to partners. For more information on Windrush activities and to obtain the information resources, please contact your Local Partnership Manager on e: Helen.Godfrey@homeoffice.gov.uk

National Conversation on Immigration – final report

The National Conversation on Immigration is a public consultation on immigration and integration. Immigration remains a salient and divisive issue for the public - and a factor in many voters' decisions in the EU referendum. Leaving the EU presents an opportunity to reform Britain's immigration policy: to address public concerns and put in place a system that works for employers, is fair to migrants and receiving communities and commands public trust and support. However, the report's authors believe that this confidence cannot be restored without engaging the public in a debate about their views and concerns. The current immigration system does not command public trust, while employers are frustrated about the difficulty in recruiting overseas staff and organisations working with refugees were concerned about backlogs and the quality of initial asylum decisions. Researchers found that while immigration is a national issue, attitudes are framed through a local lens. Please follow this link to access the report: <http://www.britishfuture.org/Exec-Summary-final.NatConv.17.9.18.pdf>

New Philanthropic Capital (NPC) report: Settled? Avoiding pitfalls and maximising potential for those seeking post-Brexit settled status

This research was commissioned to provide insight on the proposed process for securing 'settled status'. This study engaged EU migrants across the UK to uncover attitudes towards Brexit and the capability of different people to navigate the application process. The research reached various migrant communities including a group from Thetford in Norfolk. Researchers found most people capable of navigating the practical application process for settled status without major problems. However, some people are likely to face challenges due to gaps in their work or residence record, or difficulty using the online application and payment system. The research also found emotional barriers that could affect people's ability to navigate the process. Please follow this link to read the report: <https://www.thinknpc.org/Settled-avoiding-pitfalls-and-maximising-potential.pdf>

Social Market Foundation report: Take back control? The true extent of the UK government's control over immigration

The impression given to the UK public has been of an immigration system that is out of control. Successive UK governments have failed to build confidence that their immigration policies properly serve the interests of the UK public. But the Government exercises more control over immigration than is commonly perceived. All the evidence points to the fact that overall the UK exercises extremely effective control over immigration. This report looks at what might the impact be if this were made clearer to the public. Some may be pleasantly surprised – and some unpleasantly surprised. But importantly, most would be surprised, and all would be better informed. The report argues that greater transparency could significantly address the feelings of distrust and perhaps start to address the concern that the Government is not doing enough to control immigration. Please follow this link to access the report in full: <http://www.smf.co.uk/publications/take-back-control/>

Government data release - National Insurance number allocations to adult overseas nationals entering the UK

Please follow this link to access the geographical breakdowns of National Insurance number registrations using the government's interactive maps showing National Insurance number registrations from different world areas by local authority: [showing National Insurance number registrations from different world areas by GB local authority](#)

NRPF Network website survey

The NRPF Network provides local authorities across the UK with information and guidance on NRPF support for destitute migrants. This information is freely available on their [website](#) and may be accessed by other organisations and the public. They support practitioners to understand this complex area of social services' provision and share best practice that has been developed through working with councils across the UK for over a decade. They are now planning to upgrade their website and need [your feedback](#) to make sure their new website will meet your needs. Please could you take approximately 10 minutes to complete this survey? The deadline to complete the survey is **7 October**.

Events

City of Sanctuary: East of England gathering – 6 October, Colchester

This city of sanctuary event is being organised by Colchester Refugee Action and hosted at First Site gallery, Lewis Gardens, High Street, CO1 1JH from 11am to 4pm. This is an opportunity to meet people from across the East of England who are creating a culture of welcome in their cities, towns and villages, as well as people seeking sanctuary. Please do come, so there will be representation from all the City of Sanctuary groups in the east plus those interested in learning more. There will be food and music, speakers and workshops (subject to confirmation) on:

- Creating a town/city/borough of Sanctuary
- Schools of Sanctuary
- Changing the narrative on refugees - working with the media

Details and the (free) booking form are here: <https://cityofsanctuary.org/2018/06/25/city-of-sanctuary-eastern-regional-gathering/>

NATECLA East of England Conference – 12 October, Cambridge

The East of England Branch of NATECLA will be holding its first annual conference at Cambridge Regional College. This will be an opportunity for ESOL related CPD and networking. Ticket prices range from £5.00 to £20.00. Speakers will cover issues such as 'Getting the Most out of Ungraded Inspections', and workshops will cover 'Literacy of Lower Level Learners'. There will be the chance to ask questions of Awarding Organisations and find out about developments in their offer. For more information on the conference and booking details, please follow this link: <https://nateclaeastofengland731097481.wordpress.com/events-and-conferences/>

Migrant women reaching out - a free event – 15 October, London

You are invited to a free Integr8 project event which is taking place at 32 Smith Square SW1P 3EUP from 10.00 – 12.45 pm, or stay until 2.30pm for the project celebration, certificate awards, networking and lunch. This event will include speakers, presentations from Integr8 project participants and group discussions exploring questions, including:

- What are migrant women already doing to support their communities?
- What are the key barriers, strategies and benefits to engaging migrant women in their local communities?
- What are the longer-term social benefits of migrant women's contributions to their communities and how can we all support this going forward?

Full programme details will be circulated at the beginning of October. To book a place, please go to <https://migrantwomenreachingout.eventbrite.co.uk>.

Modern Slavery Training for Frontline Professionals – 18 October, Ipswich

UNSEEN is an award-winning organisation working towards a world without Slavery. This training course is for frontline professionals who may have come across victims of this crime, but may not have recognised the signs. This free training sessions for frontline professionals in Suffolk is to better equip you to identify potential victims and support them. The sessions will be delivered by trained specialists in modern slavery. Please follow this link to register to attend the session in Endeavour House. Further dates are available:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/modern-slavery-training-for-frontline-professionals>

Training course for certificate in Teaching English to speakers of other languages (CELTA) – October, Ipswich

This twenty-week course will be taught by West Suffolk College and will take place in their Ipswich premises. This level 5 qualification is for candidates who want to develop the skills needed to teach English to adults, both in the UK and abroad. For more information, please contact Vicky Skinner on e: Vicky.skinner@wsc.ac.uk or t: 01284 701301.

Conference on Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) Mandatory Reporting – 23 October, London

This conference will take place at the Whittington hospital with contributions from FGM specialist midwives, FGM campaigner Sarian Karim, the police and the National FGM Centre - please join the debate and update with experts on this important professional duty. Certificates will be provided for this training which counts towards your annual update in safeguarding children. Please book via this link https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/3-years-on-fgm-and-the-mandatory-reporting-duty-tickets-49214939208?ref=esli&utm_campaign=201308&utm_source=LinkedIninvitefor001

Improving the mental health for asylum seekers and refugees: national summit – 16 November, London

Speakers at this forthcoming summit include the Medical Director from The Helen Bamber Foundation, and College Lead on the Mental Health of Asylum Seekers and Refugees at the Royal College of Psychiatrists; Chief Executive, Refugee Council, and the Anti Trafficking Advisor to the British Red Cross. They will provide national updates, practical tips and advice to help delegates understand the vulnerabilities that lead to mental health issues in refugees and asylum seekers. They will talk about how to set up holistic services that meet the mental health needs of refugees and asylum seekers, and how to improve skills in working with asylum seekers and refugees who have experienced trauma. They will also look at the role of specialist interventions such as trauma focused CBT, and improve practice in building resilience and improving care of unaccompanied young people seeking asylum. For the full programme content visit <http://www.healthcareconferencesuk.co.uk/assessing-risk-mental-health>. Book via this link [online](#), e: jayne@hc-uk.org.uk.

Funding

The Aziz Foundation – working with disadvantaged communities

The Aziz Foundation is a grant-making body seeking to support the most disadvantaged communities in Britain. It aims to do this through supporting community empowerment - this work stream will work with disadvantaged communities, including African-Caribbean, Gypsy-Traveller and Muslim. Other project should work on leadership development and greater public engagement in wider society. The Foundation seeks to support individuals and projects, strengthen organisations and networks, and help incubate innovative ideas that will ultimately improve the conditions in and for these sections of our society. In most cases the Foundation can only fund up to 25% of a project and that amount is capped at £15,000 of the total costs of any proposal. In exceptional circumstances, the Foundation will consider awarding larger grants. Registered charities and charitable community groups can apply and must have an income of less than £5 million or assets of less than £50 million. The deadline for applications is **12 October 2018** (4pm). Applicants can expect to receive a decision on their application in

February 2019. Please follow this link for more information: <http://azizfoundation.org.uk/> or contact the grants officer on t: 020 7432 2444 or e: grants@azizfoundation.org.uk

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government – prospectus for Community-based English Language programme

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government have released their new prospectus for the Community-Based English Language (CBEL) programme. They are looking to award up to £6 million for the delivery of community-based English language projects from April 2019 to March 2020. Councils, charities and other providers will have the opportunity to bid for funding to run new programmes that offer creative ways of teaching English to local residents. The priority areas identified for funding in the east of England are Luton and Peterborough. Please find the announcement and links to the prospectus and application here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/building-stronger-communities-through-english-language-learning>

Jobs

Refugee Action Resettlement Manager. Birmingham. Full time and permanent. £30,756

Drawing on over 30 years' experience of refugee resettlement; Refugee Action are continuing to work across the West Midlands to welcome refugees as part of the Syrian Vulnerable Person Resettlement Programme. This post will join our existing Regional Management Team who oversee the resettlement operations and ensure that refugees resettling in the West Midlands are in receipt of good quality support around housing, health, education and employment, delivered in co-operation with a wide range of agencies. With a focus on fostering independence and respect for the culture, personal history and situation of service users you will also have experience of supporting staff and volunteers to undertake support work with clients in their own accommodation, and of developing assessment plans to meet clients' needs. As with your colleagues in the Regional Management Team, you will manage the full spectrum of the resettlement service delivery, however this post will also have a specialism in volunteering. You will take a regional lead in the recruitment, training, support and development of volunteers, working closely with management colleagues to ensure that effective mechanisms are in place to deliver these aspects of work. Please follow this link for more information and to apply: <https://www.refugee-action.org.uk/job/resettlement-manager-west-midlands>. The closing date for applications is **1 October 2018**.

NRPF Network Project Officer (migrant children and care leavers). 2 year fixed term contract (with possibility of extension). London or Manchester

Since 2006, the NRPF Network, hosted by Islington Council, has been promoting good practice across the UK in the field of social services' support for destitute migrants with no recourse to public funds. This post is a two-year fixed-term contract funded by the Controlling Migration Fund and the Department for Education to develop services for practitioners working with migrant children – including Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children – and care leavers. They are looking for someone with the skills and knowledge to lead in a complex and often misunderstood area of local authority practice, and who will be required to work tenaciously to build best practice responses through guidance, training and policy work. The post holder will promote the NRPF Network's aim of helping local authorities to achieve sustainable outcomes for looked after migrant children, in order to comply with corporate parenting duties. A thorough grasp of social service's statutory responsibilities and related immigration law is essential. See the full [advert](#) for more information and details of how to apply. The successful candidate will join a team of two people working to provide expertise and leadership across England and, as required, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. The ability to undertake national travel is essential. The closing date for applications is **21 October** and the interview date is 15 November in Islington.

The Bridge Plus+ Project Assistant (10 hours – over 2 days). Salary: £20,035 per annum pro rata (£5,415 for 10 hrs). Norwich

The key function of the role is to support the delivery of The Bridge Plus+’ information and advice services. The role also involves fostering collaborative working with statutory and voluntary sector agencies. It is funded by the Big Lottery Fund through the Norwich Integration Partnership (NIP) project. This job will be based at The Bridge Plus+ offices, Sackville Place, 44-48 Magdalen St, NR3 1JU. For more information about the work of The Bridge Plus+, please visit <http://www.bridgeplus.org.uk> and <http://www.norwichintegrationpartnership.org.uk> Deadline for applications: **8 October (midnight)**. Interview date (subject to confirmation): Tuesday 16 October 2018. For an application pack, please email Béatrice Humarau, Executive Coordinator, on e: beatrice@bridgeplus.org.uk

The Bridge Plus+ Project Officer (12 hours – over 2 days). Salary: £25,357 per annum pro rata (£8,224 for 12 hrs). Norwich

This role is also funded by the Big Lottery Fund through the Norwich Integration Partnership (NIP) Project. Its key function is to provide information and advice to Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) individuals on issues such as social security benefits, employment and housing; to monitor Bridge Plus+ service outputs and outcomes against funders’ requirements; and to engage with a wide range of stakeholders including BME community groups, project partners, and other voluntary and statutory service providers. Please note: this vacancy is offered on a **job share basis**. The total number of hours for the Project Officer position is 24 hours, of which 12 hours are already covered. This post will be based at The Bridge Plus+ offices, Sackville Place, 44-48 Magdalen St, NR3 1JU. For more information about the work of The Bridge Plus+, please visit <http://www.bridgeplus.org.uk> and <http://www.norwichintegrationpartnership.org.uk>. Deadline for applications: **8 October (midnight)**. Interview date (subject to confirmation): Tuesday 16 October 2018. For an application pack, please email Béatrice Humarau, Executive Coordinator, on e: beatrice@bridgeplus.org.uk

Near Neighbours Coordinator, 37 hours per week, £28,636. Peterborough

Looking for rewarding work that makes a real difference? Near Neighbours brings people together from diverse backgrounds and faiths, building co-operation, to change places and communities for the better. Following expansion into Peterborough we have an exciting vacancy to develop our work across the City of Peterborough. You will be a natural networker, familiar with faith motivated community development projects, and have an infectious passion to promote positive attitudes to religious and ethnic diversity. For further details of the post, and how to apply, download the Job Description and Person Specification details from the Near Neighbours website: <https://www.near-neighbours.org.uk/blog/2018/9/27/near-neighbours-is-expanding-to-peterborough>. The closing date for applications is **October 17, 12 noon**. Interviews: October 26, Peterborough

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