

Spread a little Happiness with HDN

Here at the Housing Diversity Network we're a busy bunch, and our newest team member, Policy and Research head Josh Neary-Pegler, has been getting his teeth into a subject close to all our hearts... **Wellbeing**.



Josh has been speaking to our guest blogger Fran Stulberg, Health Safety and Wellbeing advisor for Riverside Group, to set up a **new national Wellbeing Network** for HDN members. This network will be a great opportunity for housing organisations across the country to come together to share best practices and improve wellbeing services by using combined ideas and experiences.

Wellbeing practices are important for the health and happiness of staff. We know that everyone struggles sometimes, and some might struggle more than others. Whether someone is neuro-diverse, has ongoing mental health problems or has physical disabilities, good wellbeing practices are also essential to ensure their inclusion in the workplace.

Do you work on wellbeing? Do you want to be part of a HDN network that positively shapes the wellbeing practices of housing organisations? **A scoping meeting** to help shape the form of this new network will be held over Zoom on **Thursday 22 July, from 10:00 am - 11:00 am**.

Are you interested in getting involved?

[Register HERE to get the zoom link](#)

SMP: Watch the Beautiful Journey again

The **Virtual Staff Mentoring Programme celebration** video is out and about folks; and you can see the whole lot (or most of it) on the Youtube link below...

[Click HERE](#)

And one of the best bits, **the Mentees' video**, *'The Beautiful Journey'* is on the link below. Prepare to be wowed all over again, and enjoy!

[Click HERE](#)

Welcome our new members

Progress for Non Exec Directors

Progress Housing Group is **recruiting for non-executive directors** on its Concert Living board.



Concert Living aims to become an established small to medium enterprise housing builder in the North West, with an output of around 100 homes per year by the end of the financial year 2024/25.

Progress/Concert Living are looking to recruit individuals with experience in housing for sale and development. A background in sales and marketing, financial and commercial business would be beneficial.

The **closing date for all applications is 10:00 am on Friday 16 July 2021**; and if you have any queries please contact the [Governance Team](#)

[Full details HERE](#)

HDN Podcasts & Events



I am the One in Five

We hope you are enjoying listening to our first series of podcasts, launched by HDN in April. So far we have talked to great speakers across a range of huge topics including *Black Lives Matter*, *LGBTQ+ in pandemic*, *Belonging*, *Allyship* and *the Perfect Board*.

Next up we have Saranya Kogulathas from the **Domestic Abuse Housing Alliance** explaining the work of the DAHA and the way we can all support victims of domestic abuse. One in four women and one on six men will suffer at some point in their life and we can all help.

You can listen to our podcasts on Spotify, iTunes, Google Podcasts, Apple Podcasts and Stitcher and please leave us a review.

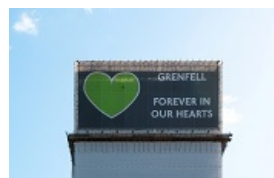
Webinar: Grenfell Tower four years on

Tuesday 6th July
11:00 am to 12:30 pm

The Grenfell Tower disaster happened almost four years ago. It was a seismic moment which highlighted the gaps in society and the residual role of social housing in an increasingly affluent area.

Join us as our panel discusses whether the Housing Sector has learned from Grenfell.

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What We Do at HDN

Contact us to see if we can help

We work with organisations on a range of equality, diversity and inclusion issues. These include management and leadership training, board and executive team discussions on Black Lives Matter and/or the pandemic, and reviewing and helping on Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plans and Strategies.

Contact [Mushtaq Khan](#) for further details.

What's the team been talking about?

The run up to August is always a busy time, though nothing is taken for granted at the moment! It's not all work, work, work though; and our chat in the team meeting has taken a diverse turn. While the sports fans still ponder whether we can fit a table tennis table in the soon-to-be returned to office, (it's all about wellbeing Mushtaq), Josh is opening our minds to the joys of gaming and hip hop, but we think Carla is more interested in global travel opening.

It takes all sorts...

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