

Faith, Hope and Clarity

“Most Muslim communities are aware of western culture, but how aware are westerners of Muslim culture?”

- Do's and Don'ts for Community Cohesion
- Do involve the local strategic partnership if possible.
- Do ensure that leadership and involvement is balanced across the sectors (statutory, voluntary, community and so on).
- Do think about widening the representation on the partnership to encompass faith groups.
- Do ensure the police are involved.
- Do consider trying to establish community cohesion 'champions' within each partner organisation.
- Don't assume that the partnership is clear about its role with regard to community cohesion; spend time explaining what it is all about.
- Don't exclude leaders from the community.
- Don't ignore racism.

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