



An Introduction to Weavers Community Forum (WCF)

Background

Weavers Community Forum is dynamic grassroots third sector voluntary community organisation established in the Weavers Ward, of Tower Hamlets since July 2010. The Forum was set up initially by a group of local people to tackle issues related to young people, poverty, deprivation, and the isolation being experienced by a marginalized part of the community. The Forum seeks to offer a holistic approach to empowerment of local people through training and development and grew by sharing similar vision and aspirations of the Tower Hamlets Council for the residents of Weavers and the surrounding Ward.

We offer a wide range of services, focusing on health and wellbeing, youth diversionary activities, community projects that tackles Isolation and loneliness and employment training and advice. We support people, particularly those living in disadvantaged urban communities to re-engage with the mainstream society and improve their skills and quality of life.

Our Vision

To empower the marginalised members of the society in our local community with the skills, knowledge, and attitudes they need to change their lives positively for the better.

Our Mission

To provide a comprehensive range of services and activities to enable communities in London Borough of Tower Hamlets and surrounding boroughs to determine and develop thriving places in which to live and work.

Our Values

The Forum is committed to a set of values that underpin our core roles and determine how we behave across our diverse range of activities.

We are open and accountable, culturally inclusive, integrity and trust, readiness to adapt to changes and make a difference, commitment to equality, community cohesion and empowerment of disadvantaged groups

Aims & Objectives

Weavers Community Forum is an organisation that focuses on promoting diversity and empowering locals to achieve more by providing resources and training to help better the region. Its activities are within the London Borough of Tower Hamlets within the wards of Bethnal Green and Whitechapel and the neighbouring borough's.

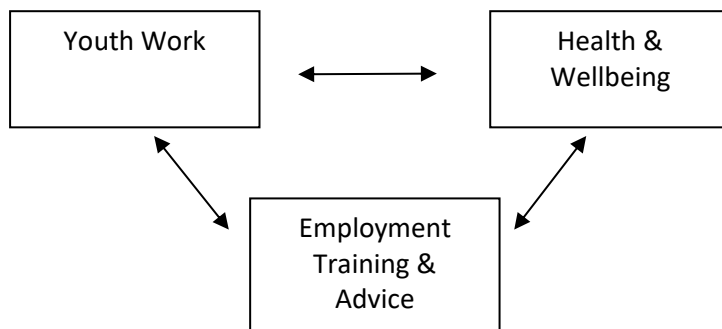
The charity's objects are to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets and neighbouring borough's by:

1. the advancement of education and training;
2. the relief of unemployment;
3. the relief of poverty, sickness and distress;



4. the promotion of good health; and
5. the provision of recreational facilities in the interests of social welfare with the object of improving their conditions of life.

We have three prioritising working themes as follows:



Priority One: Provide recreational facilities to local disadvantaged children, youth, and to work towards community cohesion in this area: and upgrade premises to accommodate more recreational programs for deprived young people in general. Organise accredited training and workshop, homework support clubs, citizenship workshops and community events lead by young people.

Priority Two: Deliver Health and Wellbeing projects engaging hard to reach local women's in physical activities with a view to increasing participation on health awareness and physical activities of local women from ethnic minority: develop a project proposal appropriate to local needs and identify potential funders.

Priority Three: Provide skill building accredited training, advice to local unemployed suitable to their needs and to work closely with local employers encouraging them to recruit people from local community: Continue to deliver employment Training and Advice Project particularly to those who are long term unemployed and economically inactive. Seek further funding to make it sustainable and long-term project to broaden the scope of employment advice and training. Arrange paid and unpaid work placements for local young people who are not in Employment Training or Education (NEET).

To further our aims and objectives we have been delivering the following projects and services for the residents of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets:

1. Active Youth Project (AYP)
2. Employment Training & Advice Project (ETA)
3. Weavers Health Project
4. Tutitioning Project
5. Weavers Advice Project
6. Crisis Support Service