

**PRIDE and ACHIEVEMENT:  
ENTREPRENEURIALISM in BASINGSTOKE'S COMMUNITIES  
with OVERSEAS HERITAGE**

**APPENDICES 1-6**

**Questions for Community / faith leaders**

**Name of organization**

**1. How old is your organisation?**

**2. What is your position in this organisation?**

**How long have you been in your current post?**

**3. Do you have members?**

**4. What country/s do members originate from?**

**5. How many members do you have? .....**

**6. How many of those members regularly use your service?**

**Numbers of:**

Men .....

Women.....

Young people.....

**7. Approximate ages of members**

Young people – up to 24 years.....

Mid age - 25 – 45 years .....

Elderly – 46+.....

**8. What religion, if any, do the large majority of your members practice?**

**9. Do these terms mean anything to you?**

**Self employment, working for yourself, or running a business.**

**PROMPT:** Can you give examples? Can you name a person in your community?

These are all entrepreneurs. An entrepreneur is someone who initiates and sets up a business. S(he) is the person who takes the risk in setting up an enterprise. We will come back to this word.

**10. How many members of your organisation are self-employed or entrepreneur?**

Could you estimate the proportion of your regular members who:

are entrepreneurs? .....  
aspire to be an entrepreneur? .....  
were entrepreneurs no longer run the business? .....

**11. What type of businesses do they run?**

**12. Are you aware about the factors that led them to:**

Setting up their business?  
Consider setting up a business  
Close their business

**13. Are you aware whether these Members received business advice?**

**14. Are there any aspects of your culture, lifestyle practices or religion linked to your heritage, that requires a sensitive, special or different approach to delivering services to that currently being offered? Or are there other factors?**

**15. Are there barriers to members running or develop their business?**

**16. If a member came to the organisations seeking business advice where would you advise them to go?**

**17. Are you aware of a local business network organisation or club?**

**18. Do you feel your members would benefit from business advice?**

**If yes, what enterprise services would you like for your Members?**

**If no, why not?**

**19. Are you aware whether there are services or products members of your organisation would like to have available to help them run or develop their business?**

**20. Are there products or service your members need but can not get locally?**

**21. Do you feel community organisations have a role to play in helping members develop or to run their business?**

**Questions for Aspiring business owners**

1. What is your business idea?
2. How long have you been planning to start your business?
3. What has motivated you to set up in business?
4. Do you have any business experiences?
5. Where will you go for business start-up advice or support?

**Formal** – An enterprise agency or professional such as an accountant?

**Informal** - friends, family or other business owners. What advice are they providing?

**Combo**

**No where** - why have you not sought support? How do you plan to set up without support? Go to Q

6. Are you getting access to any other type of support?

For instance - Informal support

If yes, **how helpful was this support? Would you ever look to your community for support?**

7. Do you need access to any specialist support or professionals or skills?  
If yes, **what type of skills? Where might you go for these skills?**

If no, go to Q9

8. Do you pay for this support?

9. Overall, do you feel you are getting the type of business support you need?

**10 Are you aware whether there are local business networks or clubs? - No**

**11. Do you feel community organisation such as this or ??? have a role to play in helping members develop or to run their business?**

**12. Do you like what you have experienced so far about being in business?**

**If yes do, what do you like most? Are there any disadvantages?**

**If no, what is you do not like? How might you resolve this?**

**13. What would you say are the characteristics of a would-be entrepreneur?**

**14. What would you say about the attitude of a would-be entrepreneur?**

**15. Is there anything you would like to say about self-employment?**

**Questions for Business owner**

**1. What is your business/es?**

**2. How long have you been in business?**

**3. Why did you set up?**

**4. Did you have any business experiences before you set up the current business?**

**5. Did you get any advice when setting up?**

**6. Did you have support from an enterprise agency?  
If yes, how helpful were they?**

If no, **why not?**

**7. Did you have access to any other type of support?**

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If yes, how helpful were this support?

**Would you ever look to your community for support?**

If no, **why not?**

**8. How well is the business growing?**

*Is it growing as you expected?*

**9. Does the business need access to any specialist skills?**

What type of skills?

Where might you go for these skills?

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**11. Do you belong to a local business network organisation or club?**

**12. Do you feel community organisations have a role to play in helping members develop or to run their business?**

**13. Do you like being in business?**

If yes, **what do you like most?**

Are there any disadvantages?

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**14. What would you say were the main characteristics of a successful entrepreneur?**

**15. What would you say about the attitude of a successful entrepreneur?**

**Is there anything else you would like to say?**

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**Questions for Former business owner**

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**2. How long were you in business?**

**3. Why did you set up?**

**4. Did you have any business experiences before you set up the business?**

**5. Did you get any advice or support when setting up from an enterprise agency?**

If yes, **how helpful were they?**

If no, **why not?**

**6. Whilst running your business did you have support from an enterprise agency?**

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If no, **why not?**

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**8. What were the circumstances leading to the closure of the business?**

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**16. Would you do it again?**

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## Demographic questionnaire

We would like to get information about you (such as age, education and occupation, etc). The reason that we would like this information is so that we can show those who read our research report that we managed to obtain the views of a cross section of people. The information that you give will never be used to identify you in any way because this research is entirely confidential.

1. What part of Basingstoke do you live in?.....

2. How long have you lived in Basingstoke? [ ] Years [ ] Months

3. What is your family's country of origin?  
.....

4. How long have you lived in UK? [ ] Years [ ] Months

5. What is your highest qualification?

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have no qualification degree        | <input type="checkbox"/> I have a post graduate degree     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have secondary school qualification | <input type="checkbox"/> I have a vocational qualification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify.....            |  |

6. What is your occupation status?

- |  |                                     |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employed                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Unemployed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self-employed                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Student    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Both employed and self-employed | <input type="checkbox"/> Retired    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, Please specify.....      |                                     |

7. If you are employed or self employed what is your job?.....

8. What is your marital status?

- Single
- Living together
- Widow or Widower

- Married
- Divorced/separated
- Other, Please

specify.....

**9. Do you have children?**

Yes  No

**P.T.O**

If yes, are your children aged

- 0 – 7 years
- 8 -17 years
- 18 + years

**10. How would you describe your ethnicity?**

- African-Caribbean
- Black African
- Mixed Heritage
- Asian British
- Chinese British
- Latin American British
- Black British
- Black other
- Asian
- Chinese
- Latin American
- White British
- White other, Please specify.....
- Other, Please specify.....

**11. How would you describe your immigration status?**

- Newly arrived (Less than 5 years)
- Settled (5 years or more)
- Born here

**12. Who were the first Members of your family to come to the UK?**

- Me
  - Me and my parents
  - My Great grand parents
  - My parents
  - My grandparents
  - Other, Please
- specify.....

**12. Do you practice a religion?**

Yes

No

If yes, what religion?.....

**13. What is your first language?**

.....

**14. Do you speak any other languages?**

Yes

No

If yes, what languages? .....

**15. Age** [ ] Years

**16. Sex** [ ] Male [ ] Female

**Thank you for your co-operation**

**Profile of ethnic minority groups in Basingstoke**

	Multicultural group for women & children	NHCAN	Indian Association	Hindu Society	HARMARA group	Muslim Community	New testament church of god	Malayalee Cultural Association	St Bedes	Polish Association	Melrose Christian Fellowship
Age of organisation - in years	4	4	42	16	1 (revived In 2007)	6	12	2	130	0.4	35
Number of members	50	10	125	200	20	800	40	208	800	23	70
Young people <24 yrs	3	0	31	50	0	40	18	94	60	3	4
24-45 yrs	44	8	81	50	3	720	4	104	320	12	26
45yrs +	3	2	13	40	17	40	18	10	320	8	40
Members country of origin	Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Turkey +	Caribbean & Africa	India	India & Africa	UK, India & Africa	Egypt, Turkey, Pakistan, Afghanistan +	UK, Caribbean & Africa	Southern India	UK, Europe, Eastern Europe	Poland	UK, Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Philippines +
Religion of members	Islam	Christian & non believers	Hindu, Islam & Christian	Hindu	Hindu & Sikh	Islam	Christian	Christian, Islam & Hindu	Roman Catholic	Roman Catholic	Christian
No. of Members aspiring to be entrepreneurs	1	3	21	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	1
No. of Members who are entrepreneurs	2	1	5	25	9	10	6	0	0	3	0
No. of Members who were entrepreneurs	0	0	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1

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