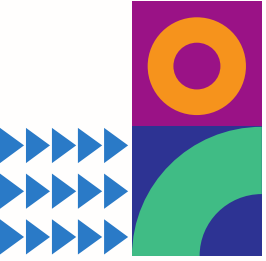


Experts by Experience Forum: annual update

Omar Mohamed and Reshma Patel – Chairs, Experts by Experience Forum

Emily Reynolds – Experts by Experience Co-ordinator

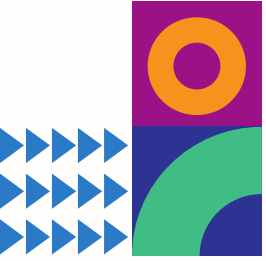




Background

- After engagement from late 2022, what became the Forum began to meet in 2023
- The forum brings together the voices of people with lived experience, ensuring they have a meaningful say in BASW's work, and making connections within different parts of BASW to embed involvement and co-production
- The group provides input into BASW's activities, annual report, conference, and many other areas of the organization
- The forum meets for two hours every three months, and is chaired by Omar Mohamed and Reshma Patel.

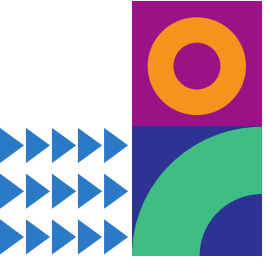




Updates

- One key update is the development of a workplan with a list of priorities and actions. These include:
 - Setting up working groups to organize campaigns such as understanding issues with the DWP and finances, and involvement payments
 - Administrative support such as setting up a Teams site
 - Creating a database of EBE involvement in BASW
 - Understanding diversity information within the Forum
 - Developing monitoring systems for all four nations to ensure representation in the Forum
 - Setting up an EBE webpage to better communicate our work

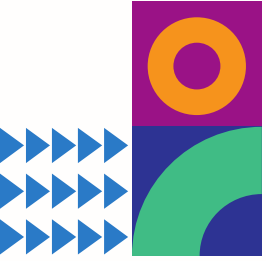




Updates

- Recruitment of an EBE Co-Ordinator has also taken place. Forum members sat on the interview panel, and Emily Reynolds started in the role at the end of January 2024. The purpose of the role is to better facilitate the work of the Forum, as well as wider EBE work within BASW
- Other contributions from forum members include:
 - Contributing to the BASW conference programme planning
 - Presenting at conference
 - Responding to BASW's manifesto and government strategy
 - Forum members are also deeply involved in other areas of BASW's work, including Council and other BASW committees





Questions

