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Surrey Minority Ethnic Forum

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Defining Surrey Minority Ethnic Forum

Who are we?

A Race Equality charity

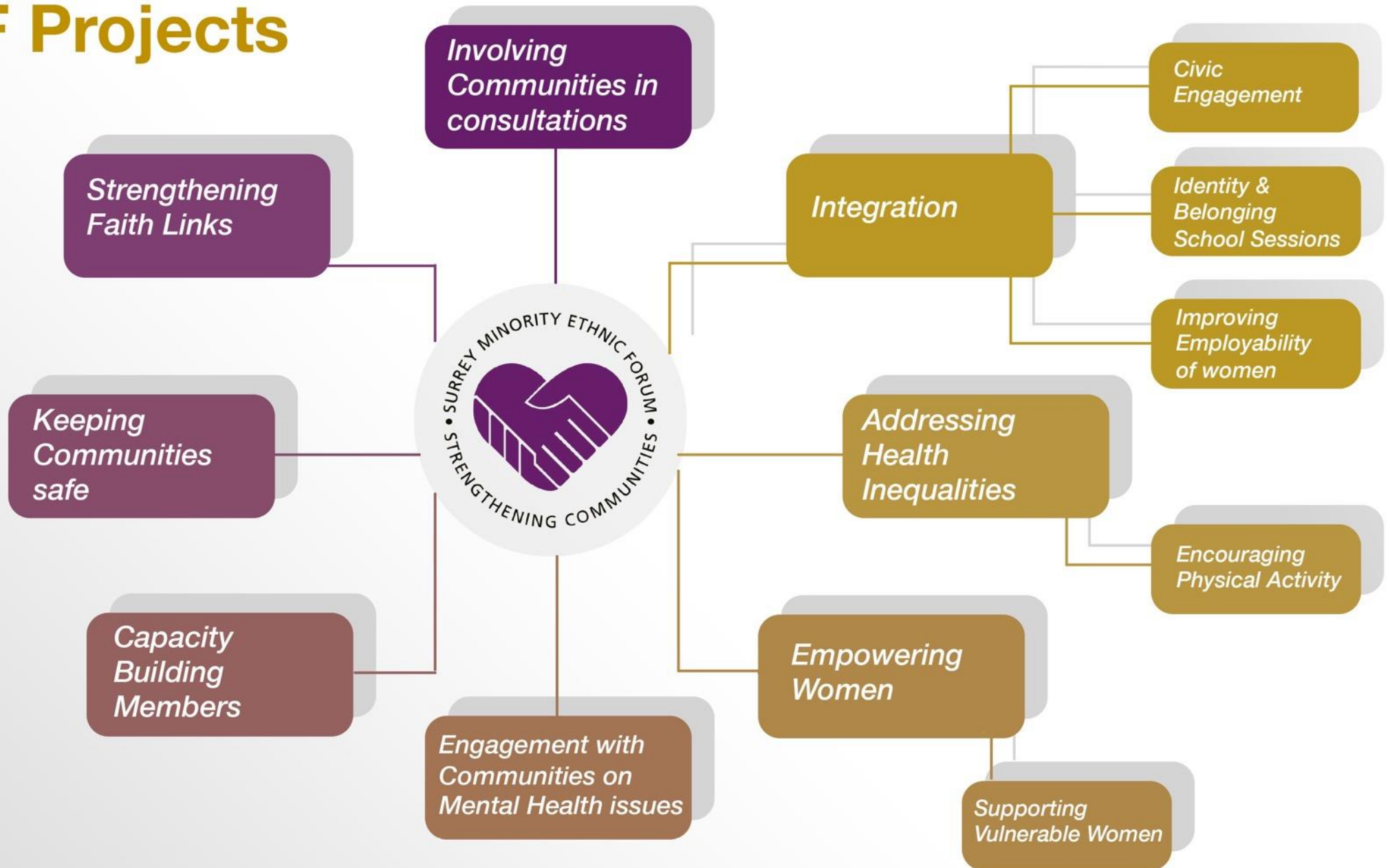
A Membership organisation

An Infrastructure organisation

A Service delivery organisation



SMEF Projects



Strengthening the links between Faith groups and all Surrey stakeholders

Surrey Faith Links project

- Providing a Surrey wide infrastructure to facilitate increased working of multi-faith organisations with Surrey stakeholders
- Supporting the development of the Surrey Faith Network
- Improving resources for the use of multi faith groups

Outcomes

Well developed relationships between faith groups and Surrey stakeholders

The Faith sector is able to contribute to sustainable community strategies

Faiths, voluntary and community sectors and public bodies work in partnership to enhance community cohesion.



Voice & Representation: Minority Communities Reference Group Project

- Developing the Voice of ethnic minority communities; defining their needs and aspirations
- Supporting black and minoritised individuals to form a representative group that will influence across all Surrey systems



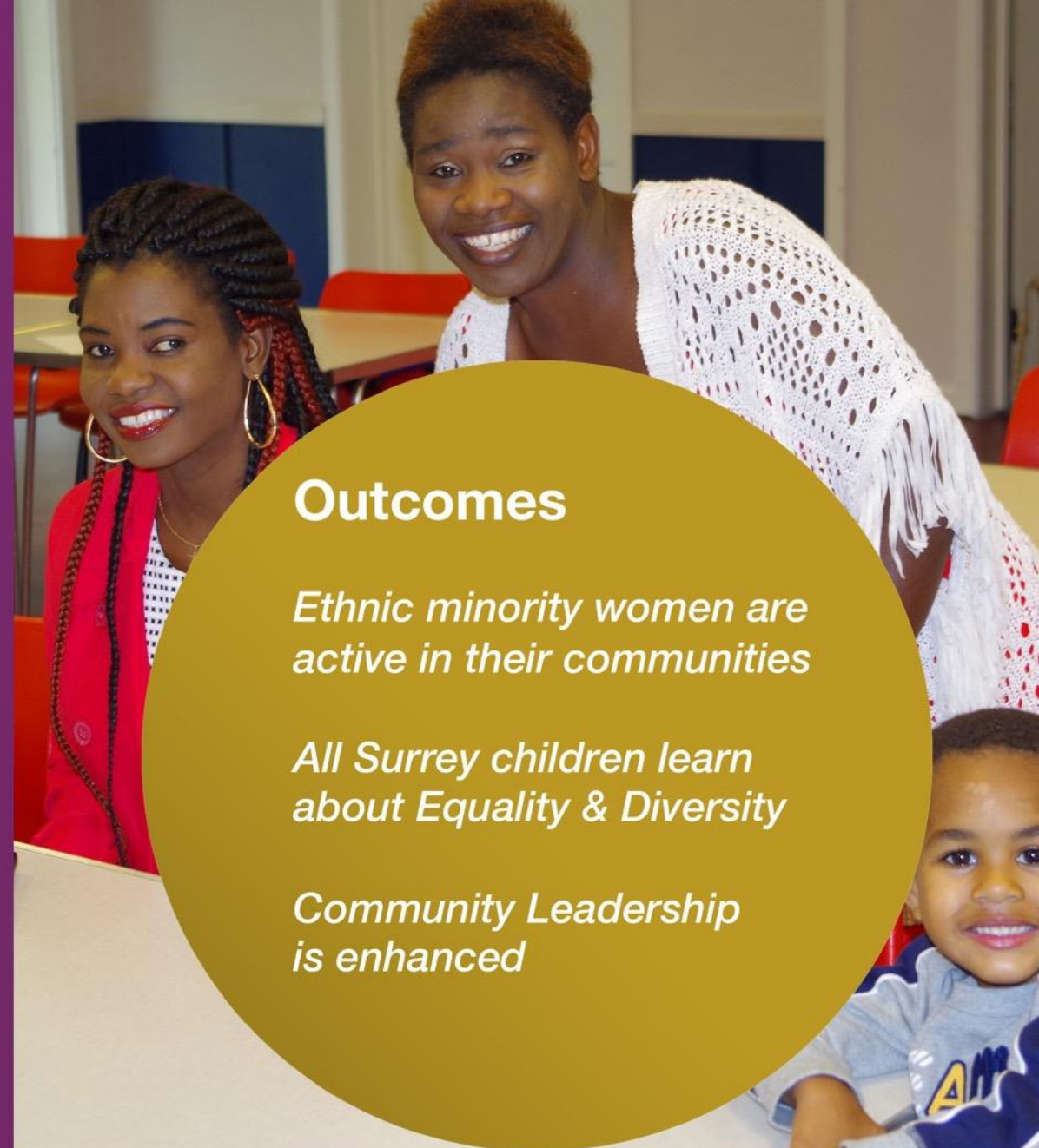
Outcomes

The Needs and aspirations of ethnic minority communities are taken into consideration across all systems in Surrey; Health and Social care, Education, Employment, Policing, Housing and the Environment

Integration:

Many Hands Project

- Improving women's language and employability skills; regular learning sessions
- Increasing a sense of Identity and Belonging; interactive sessions in schools
- Running People's Assemblies hosted by community groups



Outcomes

Ethnic minority women are active in their communities

All Surrey children learn about Equality & Diversity

Community Leadership is enhanced

Community Safety: Active Communities Project

- Creating a reflective space to discuss social ills; Domestic abuse, Drug & Alcohol abuse, Harmful Traditional Practices
- Setting up a Hate Crime Reporting panel
- Raising Awareness on Cyber Crime, Internet Safety for parents, Child Sexual Exploitation



Outcomes

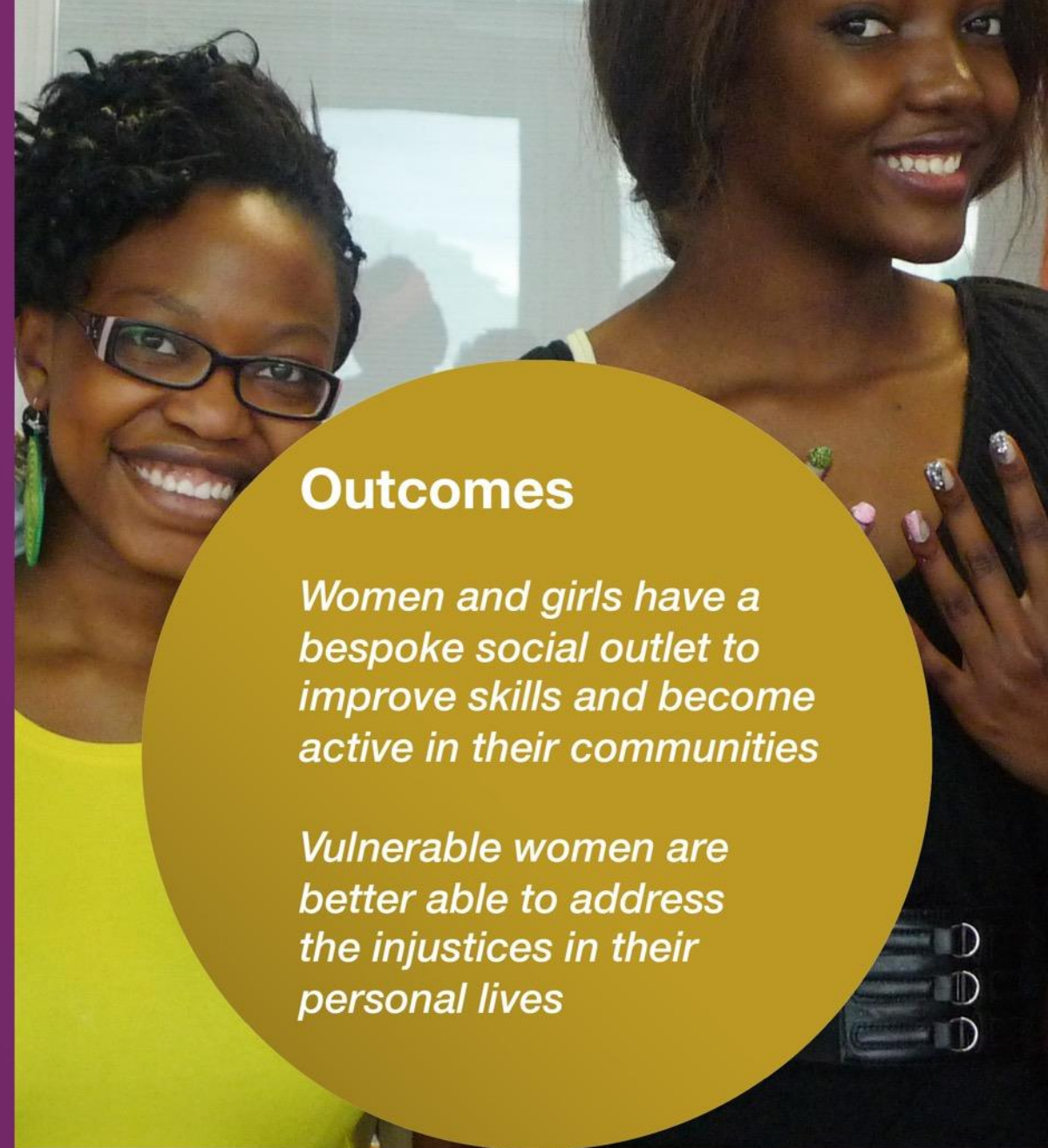
Communities feel safe, can report crime and access services

Communities work as partners with the Police and are active in their communities

Empowering women, supporting
vulnerable women and girls

Trust Project

- Regular Drop ins for older Muslim women
- Regular Drop ins for Muslim girls
- Out reach support for vulnerable women and girls at risk of Domestic abuse



Outcomes

Women and girls have a bespoke social outlet to improve skills and become active in their communities

Vulnerable women are better able to address the injustices in their personal lives

Health:

Health & Race Project

- Focusing on those Health conditions that black and minoritised communities are predisposed to; Covid 19, Diabetes, CVD, Sickle Cell
- Providing information on Health
- Making the case for the needs of black and minoritised communities at strategic levels
- Increasing Physical activity



Outcomes

*With the right information
Communities can make
informed choices.*

*Services are shaped
according to need, better
access Improved health
across all communities*

Capacity building our Members: Trust Project

- Providing Member Groups with support and guidance on charity governance
- Supporting groups with fundraising; identifying funders, project development

Outcomes

A strong and resilient Black and minoritised voluntary sector that can support their individual communities



Engagement with black and minority communities with lived experience of mental ill health

Mental Health stakeholder engagement project

- Identifying community leaders to raise awareness on mental health issues
- Setting up and supporting a stakeholder reference group
- Working with partners to coproduce accessible services for people with mental health issues



Outcomes

Black and minoritised communities have reduced stigma on mental health

Services for black and minoritised people with mental health meet their needs

Improved mental well being across all communities



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Our Vision: *Surrey is home to strong, confident, diverse communities - united in their ambition to improve wellbeing for all*



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*Together we can
have a stronger
impact and a louder
united voice*

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