

How can we reduce income inequality in Bristol? (22/c)

Headlines

- Introduce Universal Minimum income
- Gender inequality needs to be addressed to value time bringing up children
- Instill a bond of community – what you put in is what you get out

Actions

- Find different ways of valuing different jobs/activities
- Introduce wage ratios linking/limiting the gap between highest and lowest paid
- Foster more co-ops, social enterprises and community businesses

How to create a people's bank run by the deprived, serving the deprived? (5/c)

Headlines

- How to bank socially effectively – bank for people by people – community banks where deprived people can borrow and set up own business or projects
- Would self help work? Are deprived people motivated? Some fragmented schemes already exist
- Social Investment
- Love exchange
- Credit Unions (co-operative)
- Local currency in community (local banks)
- Shared investment – group together to discuss projects
- Microfinance (Bangladesh, India)
- Unclaimed assets as a pot
- Check CDAs
- Microfinance and Jamaican communities
- Social capital
- Poor social mobility
- People are trapped in poverty
- Being born into low income families blights life chances
- Gender income inequality

Actions

- An Open Space specifically on community finance
- More progressive income tax
- Stabilizing wage ratios

- Further research

More sites for gypsies and travellers (25/c)

Headlines

- Demolishing gypsy homes (council and locals)
- Prejudice, lack of knowledge and understanding by non-gypsy and travelers community
- Need for sites in healthy places

Actions

- Government needs to find gypsy sites
- Media need to show more positive stories about gypsy life
- Join Big Fat Gypsy Fightback webpage

Lower or remove tuition fees to help encourage further education in low or no income families or individuals (27/c)

Headlines

- Easier for system-makers to blame individuals rather than look at the system
- Involvement/Engagement

Actions

- Heart to heart dialogue
- Write specifically - Freedom of Information act gives you more info to complain
- Influence decision makers

Fairtrade (10/c)

Headlines

- Recognize Fairtrade's support of women
- Survey commitment to Fairtrade by churches etc
- Need for Fairtrade in UK eg Milk Kindling Trust

Actions

- Bristol should become a Fairtrade City
- Learn from the Kindling Trust in Manchester re closer links between city schools and local farmers – cut down air miles
- Encourage Farmers' Markets, the Soil Association
- Make the Council lead by example

How can we improve relationships between the police and our young people? (26/c)

Headlines

- Shadowing police or ride along
- Citizen focused policing
- Advocacy: fear of youth (police)
- PCSO funding is key to good relationships
- IPP orders – parole: need more info from police

Actions

- Police in schools
- PACT meetings/neighbourhood forums once a month
- Partnership resource database
- Bringing children to work
- Info between parole and police
- Discussion group – young people to inform juries

Network of social entrepreneurs for Bristol (1/c)

Headlines

- Funding mechanisms
- Social enterprise mechanisms
- Emotional mechanisms underlying these

Actions

- Form a social enterprise group – we did!

Do we all need washing machines / cars? (39/c)

Headlines

- Completely the wrong way round. Not about how much you own but what you can access.
- Alternative bike, car club. Sharing lifts to alleviate poverty – social centre in launderette
- What do you absolutely need? Different for everyone, who should decide?
- Exploring definitions of poverty

Actions

- Free bus
- Idea of a car share/ hitch-hiking bus stop (card to use private cars, contribute to petrol)
- Being satisfied

- Poverty is more complicated

Why aren't mental health professionals admitted to a psychiatric hospital in training? (2/c)

Actions

- Public service managers should be made to spend a day on the shop floor at least once a year
- Education in schools for mental health issues
- Accountability when NHS commissions the private sector, can we have transparency in duty of care?