



STEVENAGE EQUALITIES COMMISSION QUESTIONNAIRE

The questionnaire is anonymous unless you choose to provide us with your email address, there are opt out options on the use of your email address and further contact from us at the end of the questionnaire.

Following the brutal killing of George Floyd in Minneapolis, USA in May 2020 and subsequent demonstrations exemplified through the Black Lives Matters movement globally, nationally and locally in Stevenage, Stevenage Borough Council agreed to establish an Equalities Commission.

The Equalities Commission is being established as a body that is independently chaired, focusing on the disproportionate impact of inequalities on the lives of Black Asian and Minority Ethnic individuals and communities (BAME). The Commission will undertake a strategic assessment of the nature, extent, causes and impact of race inequality in Stevenage and make recommendations for tackling them.

Whilst there has been some progress on equalities issues in Stevenage over a number of years, there is clear recognition that more needs to be done. The Equalities Commission will drive forward a number of recommendations in order to create lasting change for communities across the town and where all residents feel included.

With this in mind we ask that you complete this questionnaire honestly and to the best of your ability. Your Voice is important to the Stevenage Equalities Commission. Join the conversation and let's talk about Race Equality in Stevenage.

RACE EQUALITY IN STEVENAGE

Before you begin, please have a read through the questions – you may not have a response to all the questions.

Question 1 - Have you or anyone you know been the victim of racism?

If **YES**, Tell us what the circumstances were and what happened

If you do not have a response to this question, please go to Questions 4, 5 and 6

Question 2 - During your own experience, do you feel that you dealt with the situation at the time and did you seek support?

If **YES**, Tell us what you did at the time and about any support you received

If **NO**, Did something stop you from dealing with the situation at the time?

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Question 3 - Use the space below to tell us how this experience has affected you.

Question 4 - Do you have any concerns about race equality in Stevenage?

If **YES**, What are those concerns?

If **NO**, please go to **Question 5**

Question 5 - Do you think that progress has been made regarding racial equality in Stevenage and is it an inclusive place to live or work in.? If so please tell us how. If not, why not.

If **YES**, Please tell us how.

If **No**, Please tell us why not.

Question 6 – Do you think racial equality exists in Stevenage? If NO, what can we do to improve racial equality in Stevenage?



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Your age - (under 18, 18-25, 26-30, 31-35 , 36 – 40, 41- 45, 46 – 50, 51 – 55, 56 – 60, 61 -65, over 65)

Gender (How do you identify?) -

Ethnicity? –

Do you consider yourself to have a disability? If you are happy to, please give us details below.

Please email your completed questionnaire to;
equalities.commission@stevenage.gov.uk

Are you happy for us to use your email address to send you further information about Stevenage equalities Commission, please indicate below?

Yes, I am happy

No, please do not use or store my email address.

If you would like to have a conversation about your experiences, please email us with how you would prefer to be contacted.

You can keep in touch and up to date with the Stevenage Equalities Commission through the SBC Facebook, Twitter and Website detailed below. Please feel free to pass this questionnaire on to anyone who you may feel would be interested in taking part.

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Thank You for Taking Part

