New £2 million scheme to unite communities



- Communities Secretary announces a new grant scheme of up to £2 million to boost shared values and tackle hate crime
- Community groups encouraged to develop projects to bring people of different faiths and backgrounds together.

Communities Secretary Rt Hon Robert Jenrick today (6 March 2020) opened a <u>new grant scheme</u> to promote inter-faith and community work, and build bridges between people of all backgrounds.

The Faith, Race and Hate Crime Grant scheme will invite established community groups and civil society organisations to apply to run short projects that champion the government's commitment to building a diverse and tolerant society for all faiths and races.

The projects will also tackle discrimination and prejudice, helping to unite Britain, and tackle discriminatory behaviour.

Communities Secretary, Rt Hon Robert Jenrick MP said:

Our country is home to people with a wonderfully diverse range of faiths and beliefs.

The funding announced today will help us celebrate this diversity, champion our shared identity and values and bring people together to create a better society.

The scheme will also help tackle discriminatory behaviour. This Government has a zero tolerance towards hate crimes against anyone of any faith and background, and we stand in support of all communities that suffer from prejudice and discrimination.

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